



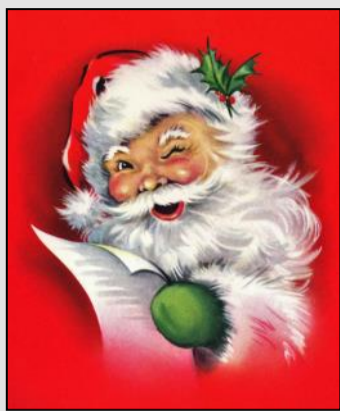
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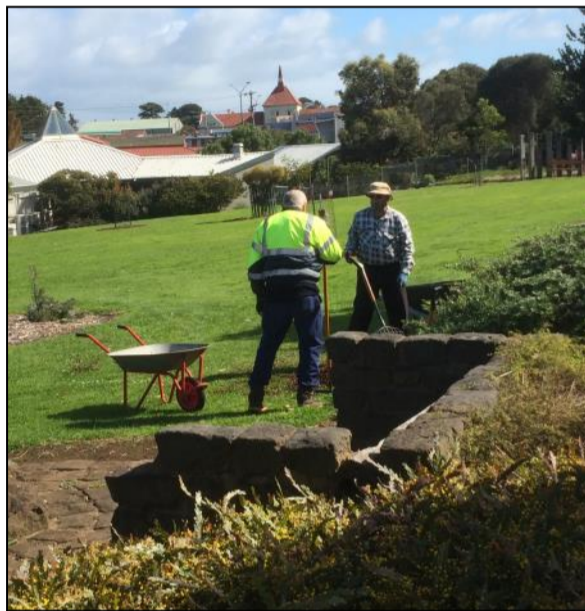
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Wishing all members a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year and we look forward to catching up in 2022.

Over the last twelve months, with Covid restrictions, activities have been limited. However this has not stopped us from maintaining the garden to an acceptable level. Thank you to all who attended the Working Bee in September where we removed a dead banksia and mulched a number of garden beds.



In October we were visited by Australian Plants Society members from the Geelong group who had travelled to Warrnambool to visit a number of gardens over the weekend. After having spent a lot of time in lockdown over the last couple of years, members were really keen to get away and do what really interests them, meeting up with friends and looking at gardens! I was able to show them around the garden and point out some of the rare and interesting plants that we grow.



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Some of the plants in flower at the moment are: Top row, *Eremophila* 'Meringer Isaac' and *Melaleuca huegelii* (Pink Honey-Myrtle) Centre row: *Banksia grandis* (Bull Banksia), *Eucalyptus woodwardii* (Lemon Flowered Mallee) and *Banksia laevigata* (Tennis Ball Banksia)



Photo left: Our Muntries (*Kunzea pomifera*) are starting to produce berries which can be eaten raw or cooked and made into a jam. Above are the flowers and ripe berries.

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