Hi members,

Last month, we held our Annual General Meeting, see report on page 3. Dorothy Mattner was re-elected again as President, see her report pages 4/5. Membership fees remain unchanged and are now due as are the APS Victorian membership fees. Attached is the current membership form for both APS Vic and APS Warrnambool, you can make your payment for both groups to Treasurer, John Sherwood. (Bank details are on the form for direct deposit, make sure you put your name on it) Your APS Vic fees will be passed on for you.

Are you interested in joining in a bulk order for Neutrog fertiliser. This will be at a great price! We are looking into joining with other APS groups to get a large enough order to get it freight free. If you would like to get in on this, fill out attached order form as an expression of interest, choose which products you want and send through to me. We will work out delivery and payment later.


Our speaker this month is Toni Ryan who will be speaking to us on the Hooded Plovers of the Belfast Coastal Reserve, the rare birds that are under threat from the beach training of racehorses. Come along and find out all the facts about this.

That’s about all for this month, see you next Friday. Don’t forget to bring something along from your garden.

Cheers, Kevin

Next Meeting: Friday 28th June 8.00pm - Speaker, Toni Ryan - Hooded Plovers, Belfast, Coastal Reserve
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The APS Warrnambool & District holds meetings on the 4th Friday of each month at the Mozart Hall Warrnambool at 8pm.

APS Warrnambool & District is a District Group of the Australian Plants Society (Vic) All members are required to also be a member of APS Vic.
At our last members night, we held our Annual General Meeting as we are required to do. President Dorothy Mattner presented her very extensive Leaders Report (see pages 4 & 5) and this was accepted by acclamation. Treasurer, John Sherwood presented his financial report for the year and this showed a healthy surplus. Following this all positions on the committee were declared vacant by President Dorothy Mattner. John Sherwood took the chair and asked for nominations for the new committee.

As a result, the following members were elected to the committee for the next twelve months.

**President:** Dorothy Mattner  
**Vice President:** Kevin Sparrow  
**Secretary:** Mike Halls  
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**Newsletter Editor:** Kevin Sparrow  
**Other Committee Members:** Joan Krygger, Andrew Gray, Michael Mattner.  
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Bob and Kerry Artis decided not to nominate for the committee again after serving for many years. We thank them both very much for their service to the group, both of them having served at the highest levels on our committee.

It was decided that Membership Fees would remain the same at $15—Single $20—Family. Fees are now due.

After the Meeting Jaqui Balazs, Environmental Officer with the Warrnambool City Council led a discussion about the Draft Warrnambool Coast Vegetation Action Plan 2019, which is in five Management Zones, Wild Coast 1 & 2, South West Crown Land, Lady Bay West, Lady Bay East, and Logan’s Beach. The discussion was wide ranging and detailed some of the problems with environmental weeds in each of these zones.

The APS Committee will consider the Draft Action Plan and will submit a response.
It is with pleasure that I present the APS Warrnambool and District leaders report for 2019. Currently we have a membership of 22 with an average meeting attendance of 12. I have enjoyed my first year as leader where together we have once again shared and learnt many things.

We have been fortunate to have a variety of interesting speakers. John Sherwood spoke on the Wilderness Walk on Kangaroo Island. Lauren Hoffman on the Golden Sun moths. Bob Artis treated us to the beauty of the Kimberley region. Kevin showered us his beautiful Orchids and shared his propagation methods. Matt King spoke on the Maam. Anne Langmaid spoke on the beauty of Western Australian wild flowers and Ian Bodycoat gave an interesting talk on the Warrnambool to Port Fairy Rail Trail.

Over the last 12 months, we have also enjoyed many outings. Starting with the 12th FJC Rogers seminar, hosted by the Horsham Group, this featured the family Goodeniaceae. Ten of our members joined in on what was a very well run and interesting weekend of speakers and garden visits. On an afternoon trip to Ewan Roberts at Codrington, we were shown the workings of his nursery, and of course made a few purchases. Other outings included a visit to the Rail Reserve at Woolsthorpe, a walk around Griffith Island followed by lunch. Members also enjoyed a day trip to Points Arboretum in Coleraine, we also visited several local Reserves.

We have joined in with the Colac group twice this year to hear their guest speakers.

At our February meeting, Warrnambool City Councillor, David Owen officially launching the revised booklet of “Nature Reserves of Warrnambool & District”. At this meeting, co-author John Hargraves spoke on the Belfast Coastal Reserve. During the year, we have held two BBQs, thank you to all involved.

This year we have welcomed two new members onto the committee, Joan Krygger and Andrew Grey, their input and enthusiasm has been most welcomed. Andrew and Michael have undertaken a propagation project, which is going along nicely, well done and thank you both.
The group’s Christmas breakup was at the Warrnambool Community Gardens where the Warrnambool Field Naturalists and the Warrnambool Coastcare, Landcare group joined us. What a wonderful garden a real credit to all involved.

We continue to support environmental projects, such as the WAMA project in the Grampians, Walkers Swamp also the Maam, Tozer and Swan Reserves.

John Sherwood has submitted a report on our behalf to the Moyne and Corangamite Shires and DWELP in regards to the proposed clearing of roadsides; highlighting that biodiversity is the value at risk. Also after finalising our visits to the nature reserves, John compiled and submitted a report on the conditions of the various reserves, thank you John.

We were saddened to have lost a Life Member in Coral Moore. Coral was always there to support APS in any way she could and her artistic talent shone bright through numerous floral arrangements that spaned many years. It was a privilege to have known such a wonderful woman.

I would like to thank all members for their contributions, our display table is a lovely way to share our knowledge and the beauty of our gardens, be it large or small. Thank you to Kevin and Joyce for setting up the hall each month, we do appreciate your time and effort. Thanks goes to Kevin also for your wonderful monthly newsletter, keeping us well informed. Joyce for keeping our History up to date, thank you. Thank you to Eliz for your work in the kitchen each month, you do a great job. Thanks also to Kerry for your work in compiling and reporting on the display table each month and to those that step in and help when Kerry is away. Also thank you to Beverley, Kerry and Joyce for the beautiful floral arrangements that you have done throughout the year to represent our group and to promote Australian flora.

In closing I would like to thank our wonderful committee for all you do and for guiding me through this year, Mike for keeping on top of all the work that a secretary has to do and John for keeping our books in order. Bob and Kerry Artis are leaving the committee this year and I would like to thank them both on behalf of the group for all that they have done. I look forward to another successful year and all that it brings.

Thank you
Dorothy.
May Display Table by Kerry Artis

Kerry Artis started our showing with *Correa* ‘Autumn Blaze’ (photo: right) which has lovely orange, bell flowers, grows to 30cm high by 1.2m wide and flowers from April to July. It is tolerant of coastal conditions and frost, growing in full sun or part shade. *Adenanthos* ‘Silver Lining’ is a ground cover that grows to 40cm high by 1.5m wide and has small, red flowers hidden among its soft, silvery, feathery-like foliage. It too withstands coastal conditions and likes a well drained soil. *Brachyscome multifida* is a neat plant that seems to flower all year round, a lovely, compact ground cover growing to 10cm high by 40cm wide. It will grow in most soils in sun or part shade, also makes a nice basket plant.

Kevin Sparrow showed *Correa* ‘John Amor’, (photo: below) grown from a *reflexa plant* growing at Portland, a very pretty, slow growing *Correa. Eremophila foliosissima* is a grafted plant and so is *Eremophila latrobei*, they have different flower shapes and *latrobei* is easy to grow. *Eremophila foliosissima* is a small, dense shrub to .8m high by 1.5m wide. Its long, narrow leaves are slightly hairy and its flowers are pale blue to deep purple. Its name means many leafed. *Eremophila latrobei* is a variable plant growing from .3 to 2.5m high by .5 to 1.5m wide and its leaves can be bright to dark green to grey with its flowers being pale to deep pink, red or rarely yellow.

Mike Halls brought along *Melaleuca fulgens*, which has flowered all year round and is 20 years old. Mike’s bears a mauve flower, others can be purchased with apricot or red flowers and it usually grows to about 1.5 high and wide. *Grevillea* ‘Billy Bonkers’ has responded well to the rain and is flowering nicely. It is a spreading bush that grows to about 1.5m high by 2-3m wide, bearing pendant racemes of pink flowers. *Crowea saligna* is a compact shrub with deep pink, star like flowers which appear in autumn and winter and grows to about 1m.

Other plants shown by Kevin and Mike were *Templetonia retusa*, *Hakea clavata*, *Goodenia varia*, *Eremophila maculata* ‘Pink Passion’, *Grevillea* ‘Ned Kelly’, *Philotheca* and many *Correas*. *Correa reflexa*, *Correa glabra var turnbullii*, *Correas pulchella*, *reflexa*, the Glenelg River form, ‘Pink Pixie’, ‘Ivory Bells’, ‘Candy Pink’, ‘Green Flowers’ and a number of hybrids.
On Saturday 8th June, APS members assembled in Warrnambool at Swan Reserve for the Correa Crawl long weekend lead by Cherree Densley and Bob and Dot O’Neill. Program included a guided tour of Swan Reserve, visit to Codrington Nursery, Mt Clay to look for correas, (did not find much there), Portland coast and on Sunday a visit to Mt. Richmond and Lake Monibeong and beyond before continuing on to Nelson.
What’s On?

Shorebird Identification Workshop

Shorebirds are a charismatic suite of birds that live on your local beaches, rivers and estuaries.

Join BirdLife Australia’s ‘Migratory Shorebirds’ team for a workshop and beach walk, where you can learn more about the amazing lives of this diverse group of birds, the threats they face and how you can help them survive!

Location: Crossley Hall, St Bridges Church, 212 Koroi-Port Fairy Rd, Crossley
Date: Monday 24th June
Time: 10:00am
RSVP: dan.lees@birdlife.org.au

*Please bring along wet weather gear, sun protection and binoculars if you have them*

*Free shorebird ID booklet*

Warrnambool Field Naturalists Club Meeting

Julie Mondon

Extreme Marine Abyssal Fauna

Wednesday 26 June
7.30pm
CWA Hall, 30 Kepler Street

Everyone welcome
What’s On

SEPTEMBER 30th to OCTOBER 4th 2019

ANPSA 2019 Conference - Blooming Biodiversity

Hosted by Wildflower Society of Western Australian in Albany, WA.

Pre and Post Conference Tours
Between 21 September to 11 October.

Key Speakers
Professor Stephen D Hopper AC – AJ Swaby Address
Gregory John Keighery.

Details www.bloomingbiodiversity.com.au
Bookings open January 2019.

Draft Programme

Sat 28/9 - Albany Wildflower Show last day
Sun 29/9 - short local trips, registration, AGM, welcome reception
Mon 30/9 - day trips
Tues 1/10 - talks and AJ Swaby lecture
Weds 2/10 - day trips
Thurs 3/10 - talks and dinner
Fri 4/10 - conference talks and farewell

Why come

• biodiversity - extraordinary range on impoverished soils
• fascinating vegetation communities
• high proportion of endemic plants
• knowledgeable tour and trip guides
• stimulating program of speakers
• Special Interest Group gatherings