

U3A PEGASUS GARDENING GROUP

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

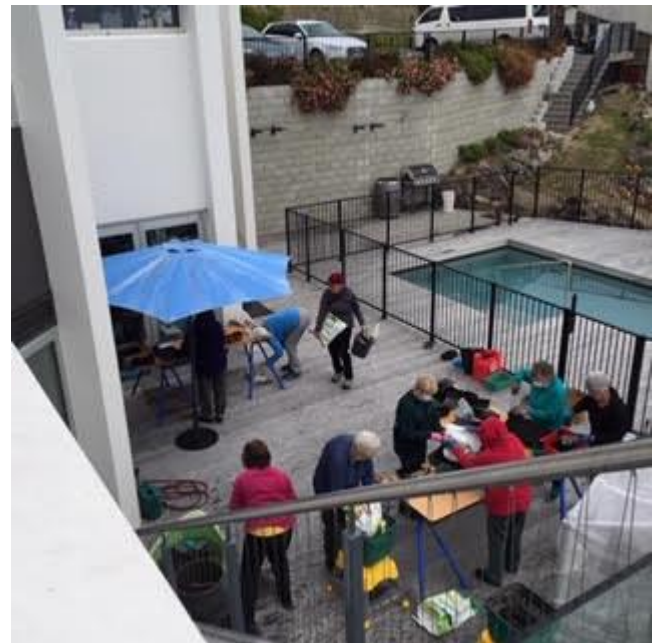
It has been very sad to mark the passing of Nedra Johnson, a long-time member of U3A and a stalwart and very knowledgeable member of the Gardening Group. Nedra was always ready to share her knowledge and advice and to provide the answers to questions. Our sympathy has gone out to Nedra's family.

Mt Pleasant Market Stall

We had a fun and productive day on Monday 12 September at Lynne Hazlett's home, as you can see by the photographs. Lot of seeds popped into pots, coffee and cake consumed, and trays and pots taken home to nurture.

We do need to have a few volunteers to take some of the remaining seed pots home because Lynne is going to Australia for two weeks. If you have room for a few trays at your property please get in touch with Lynne (0272392294) before next Wednesday at the latest.

Now is the time to take cuttings so they are well rooted in 8 weeks. Most *perennials* should be *divided* now also. If members could undertake this work in their garden, we could have a great selection for the market.



September outing

September 26 Botanical Gardens to see their Spring display.
Park in Armagh Street carpark and walk across the bridge to the Kiosk – meet at 1pm
After our exploration we can grab a coffee at one of the coffee shops that will be open in the area.
(Realise it is a public holiday but places will be open)

Programme update

Monday 24th October	1pm. Visit to Wakatu Street, Moncks Bay to view gardens - led by Jan Leitch followed by Tea and Cuttings at Bron Goldschmidt's home.
November date TBA	Visit to gardens in Fisher Avenue.
Monday 28th November	10.30 visit to Iris Gardens in Springston followed by our Christmas lunch at Cedar Park Gardens, 101b Lowes Road, Rolleston. Cost \$25 pp. Car pooling suggested and to meet at MPCC. Details later.
Monday 23rd January	Gilroy Nurseries, Clarkville rose garden
Tuesday 14th February	BEGONIAS. 10.00am Meet at 4 Blankney Street, Hornby to view the Begonias grown by Audi Smith at his home. Tea/Coffee supplied and morning tea by committee. Lunch at a venue to be decided followed potentially by visit to Russell Jeffares, at 2pm to view his Begonias at 32a Mathers
Monday February 27	The Blue House, Amberley – garden visit
Monday March 27	West Melton garden visit

U3A Website

Our newsletters will be available on the website <https://u3apegasus.org.nz/garden-group/>

Steering Committee

We would like to have two new members join the group, Carolyn and Lyn are stepping aside next year. If you are interested, please let one of the Committee know.

Good gardening everyone

Lyn (on behalf of the Steering Committee)