

**THE UNSW STAFF SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Bundanoon Garden Ramble and Guided Tour of the State Heritage listed**  
**property Harper's Mansion in Berrima**



**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2014**

**Approximate Itinerary**

- 8.00 Leave UNSW (just inside Gate 14, Barker St)  
10.00-11.00 Free time at the Soldiers Memorial Hall (morning tea at own expense at any of the cafes in the area)  
11.15-12.30 Visit to private spring gardens  
12.45-1.45 Lunch at Bundanoon Bowling Club– 2 course meal and tea/coffee  
2.30-3.30 Guided Tour of Harper's Mansion, in Berrima  
5.30 approx Arrive UNSW

There are a number of gardens open on that date – and we will endeavour to visit as many as we can – including: The Country Garden Market, with stalls in the Soldiers' Memorial Hall.

**Bundanoon Garden Ramble**

Now in its 18th Year the Bundanoon Garden Ramble once again promises to be an enjoyable event attracting visitors from all parts of the state and beyond. Eight private gardens will showcase their diversity ranging from 7 acres, 5 acres, 1 acre down to small town blocks. There will be plenty to see and do, thanks to the dedicated garden owners who spend months prior to the weekend preparing their beautiful gardens in anticipation of the many visitors. Not only are the gardens superb but the garden owners themselves are very interesting people so it will be a pleasure to engage them in conversation about their many interests which encompass travelling, painting, collecting classic cars and running and participating in voluntary organisations. As well as visits to the beautiful gardens there will be a Garden Market in the Bundanoon Hall where plants and gifts can be purchased.

**The Bundanoon Bowling Club**

2 course lunch and tea/coffee will be served (Roast and vegetables and dessert).

The Bundanoon Club was established early on in the town's history as a small club to service the quite small population of Bundanoon. In present times, The Bundanoon Club still serves the Population of Bundanoon, however, the Club and the Bundanoon Community have grown in size.



**Harper's Mansion, Berrima – guided tour**

**Harper's Mansion** is a National Trust (NSW) property in Berrima. It is listed on the NSW Government Heritage Register as a property of State heritage significance. The circa 1834 house is a fine example of a colonial Georgian residence and is furnished in period style. The house is set in two acres of strolling gardens of cool climate heritage plants overlooking the historic village of Berrima and features one of the largest hedge mazes in Australia. The house was built by James and Mary Harper just after Berrima was gazetted in 1831 and presents an inspiring story of a proud early Australian family. The ownership of the property by the Catholic Church is remembered in the Chapel, upstairs in the house. The garden includes a large produce garden and heritage rose beds.

**The Maze:** The maze was planted in 2000 and now is over 3 metres tall. It is made of 370 Cupressocyparis leylandii. The total length of the path is 350 metres but, if you can find the quickest way out, only 185 metres.

**Heritage Roses:** In 1995, before the main garden was laid out, Heather Cant, a leading name in the rose world and then a member of the Harper's Garden Committee, drew up a list of heritage roses and selected several varieties for planting in the long border running from the front gate to the house. Over the years this border became overgrown with other perennials and in 2009 a decision was made by the Garden Committee to restore this bed and to extend the plantings into the main garden to make heritage roses a major feature. Including these roses in a National Trust garden was seen as a way to secure their future. This work was completed in 2012 with the planting of 60 plus roses including some of the earliest introduced into our gardens.

We will be taken on a guided tour of the Mansion and you will have time to view the heritage garden roses garden and the maze.

Cost including: transportation from and to UNSW, visits to private gardens and the Garden Market Stall in Bundanoon, 2 course lunch, guided tour of Harper's Mansion in Berrima (including the maze and the heritage roses garden):

Members: \$55 each (and one guest at \$55 – i.e. max. 2 each at \$55 per head)  
Children: \$20 each  
Guests: \$65 each

Sorry no telephone bookings and no refunds.

For any enquiries: please contact Nadia Withers, 9385-3652 or [n.withers@unsw.edu.au](mailto:n.withers@unsw.edu.au) . Deadline: Wednesday, 8th of October 2014.

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To : Nadia Withers, School of Marketing, UNSW, Sydney NSW 2052  
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Bundanoon Garden Ramble and Harpers Mansion in Berimma

Name : -----

Address: ----- Ext. No./Mobile . -----

Email Address: -----

----- places at \$55 each (max. 2 each at \$55)	\$-----
----- places at \$20 each (children)	\$-----
----- places at \$65 each	\$-----

Total \$-----

A cheque for \$----- made payable to The UNSW Staff Social Club is enclosed. Cash Ok to be hand- delivered (Quad 3033) by prior arrangement.