THE UNSW STAFF SOCIAL CLUB
Galston/Arcadia/Dural Open Gardens - Sunday 18th of October 2015

Galston in the north western Hills District of Sydney the gardens are located in the semi-rural suburbs of Galston, Arcadia and Dural. The district is surrounded by bushland and has many interesting nurseries, farms and rural properties, so that just driving between the gardens is a pleasure. Most of the gardens are acreages but have features which can be readily adapted to any garden environment, large or small. We will find a host of plants of all shapes and sizes, spectacular flowering shrubs, wonderful specimen trees, water features, garden architecture and lots of ideas.

All profits are earmarked for various charities.

Approximate Itinerary
8.30 sharp Leave UNSW (just inside Gate 14, Barker St)
9.30  Morning tea at Elegans Private Garden and free time to view this magnificent garden
10.30-12.15 Visit to other private gardens in Galston and Dural
12.30-1.30 Lunch at Galston Club
1.30-2.00 Visit to the Royal Horticultural Society Show (walking distance from Club)
2.15-2.45 Visits to Private Gardens
4.30approx Arrive UNSW
(more details will be available closer to the date)

Cost including: Transportation from and to UNSW, morning tea, lunch, visits to spring garden and art show:
Members (max 2 each at $50): $50 each
Children: $25 each
Guests: $60 each

Elegans Garden
Set around four large lakes with pathways meandering in all directions this garden has interesting views wherever you look. It contains a very diverse range of plants collected over thirty years, with amazing maples and other deciduous trees, begonias, cordylines, bromeliads, succulents, ferns, ground covers and rainforest plants. Unusual bridges and other garden constructions.
Morning tea will be served at this garden.

A sample of the other gardens to be visited:

Crundale:
This garden has been developed as a haven for wildlife and features extensive plantings of bird-attracting native plants. These include beautiful banksias and lots of grafted standard grevilleas. A dam and other smaller water features, plus nesting boxes and bird feeders all help to provide a bird-friendly environment, and the owners have recorded more than 100 species visiting the garden. Relax on the well placed seats and stroll along the winding pathways.
Holme Lacey:
A beautifully designed and maintained smaller garden featuring terraced levels with brick retaining walls. Includes archways, dovecote and ornamental planters, with trimmed hedges dividing the beds. Beautiful roses and flowering shrubs, topiary, natives and perennials. An outstanding example of maximising available space and using different levels in a garden.

Kailynd:
A long tree-lined driveway leads up to beautifully landscaped lake ringed with rocks and extensive plantings, and with a bridge leading to an island. The area round the house features amazing amounts of manicured low buxus hedges and tall conifer hedges, including a formal parterre garden and a large conifer arch. These areas are an extraordinary example of traditional European style applied in Australia.

Open for the first time this 5 acre garden has a country-style house surrounded by informal plantings. There are lots of natives and a range of other trees and a collection of bromeliads, orchids and other interesting plants. Also featured are fruit trees, raised sandstone vegetable beds and a sandstone-lined dam. Scattered through the garden are unusual cast iron and stone ornamental items.

Galston Club
The Club was established in March 1968 and since our refurbishment in December 1999 has built up a reputation for good food, good service and good times. A main meal, dessert and tea/coffee will be served.

Royal Horticultural Society Show
Huge range of floral art, potted plants, fruit, vegetables and many classes of cut flowers including a major rose display. (walking distance from the Club)

Chanticleer:
An impressive large garden featuring a wide range of deciduous trees including pears and cherries which provide the framework for the sweeping views across the property. There are formal areas with extensive hedging, but the garden is dominated by the extensive informal beds which contain a wonderful range of iris, bulbs, perennials and small shrubs. Art show in the Barn.

Sorry no telephone bookings and no refunds. Deadline: Thursday 1/10/15. For any enquiries: please contact Nadia Withers, 9385-3652 or n.withers@unsw.edu.au
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Galston Gardens Festival - Deadline: Thursday 1/10/15.

Name : ____________________________________________________________

School/Home address. ______________________________________ Ext. No. ____________

Email Address: ___________________________ Mobile No./Home No.: ________________

Dietary Needs: _______________________________________________________

---- places at $50 each (max. 2) $__________
---- places at $25 each - Children $__________
---- places at $60 each $__________

Total $__________

A cheque for $_______ made payable to The UNSW Staff Social Club is enclosed. Cash OK – to be hand-delivered by prior arrangement (Quad Building, Room 3033B). Please bring exact amount. Bank Transfer OK – contact Nadia for details.