

Jaunt Jottings for April 2023

April is a lucky, once a quarter month, where we have 2 outings. A special friendship morning and the regular jaunt on the last Thursday of the month.

13th April. Friendship morning at the home of Robina Unwin of the Woolgoolga Club. So come along and join in at 10:00 am at Robina's, 243 Woolgoolga Ck Rd Woolgoolga.

Friendship mornings work like this: Come along with a small plate of morning tea to share, our host will boil the billy for tea or coffee (or feel free to bring a thermos if that is easier for you). Robina says she does have quite a few chairs but if you bring along a little one for yourself you'll be set. The aim of the friendship mornings is to meet a few new people and enjoy each others' company while we stroll the garden or if you are not up to a stroll, Robina says you can enjoy the garden from the comfort of the verandah.

Robina is on a large acreage block and even she says the driveway is quite steep and may be a little daunting for the cautious, but there is parking aplenty once the driveway is conquered. If you don't like the idea of tapping in to your inner Evel Knievel, there is an off road parking area about 25 metres past Robina's driveway and we promise to run a little shuttle.

Once up to the house, the property has a gentle undulating aspect, quite strollable. For those who wish to make it a whole day out, and have lunch out, we can recommend the Seaview Tavern at Woolgoolga. There's no need to book.

Thursday 27 April, is the regular Jaunt. We have 3 gardens to visit

10am ..1st garden and morning tea at Denis McLeod's home 12 Marles Street Coffs Harbour off Brodie Drive. BYO morning tea for our regular monthly outings. Denis always has interesting plants for our competition table and always pots up treasures for the Woolgoolga trading table but besides that he has a collection of other interesting things to show us.

We then drive a short way to Ruth Reynolds garden at 2 Shea Street. Ruth has a green thumb, so try to be not too envious of the *Syzygium Wilsonii* (fantastic red powder puff Lilly pillly) and the cottage plants she has nurtured over the years. She did used to have a very nice blue tongue lizard but the python ate it!

Then at around 11.45 we visit a garden new to us and discovered by Marg Franks belonging to Mahari Waqa at 26 Jackson Place. From Ruth's, its back down Orlando Street and across the Highway and on to Bray Street. A left off Bray street into Joyce Street then left into Jackson, will take us to Mahari's garden. It's beside Tyalla Primary. Marg says it's an interesting garden.

Lunch is at 12.45 at The Clog Barn on the Highway. Sweet and savoury pancakes as well as the 'usual fare ' We need to book for lunch so Carol is looking after the lunch reservations. Give Carol a call to book your place or even if you would just like further and better particulars concerning the "usual fare". Carol's number is 040 881 603.