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Brisbane Botanic Gardens  
& Sherwood Arboretum

# Lilygram!

## YEAR IN REVIEW!

## Newsletter Issue 10

### December 2018



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(Membership details here)

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#### New Board of Directors

Jeannie Sim (Secretary)  
John Taylor (Treasurer), with  
Annette Irish (IT & Member  
Services), Arno King (Events),  
and Sidonie Carpenter, with  
Dale Arvidsson (ex officio as  
Curator of both BBGs & SA)

The Board has implemented a  
contemporary Board structure  
for a trial period with a rotating  
meeting Chair.

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**Brisbane's Botanic Treasures are:**  
Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt. Coot-tha  
City Botanic Gardens, CBD  
Sherwood Arboretum, Sherwood

The Board of fBBGSA offers this special issue of *Lilygram* as our Festive Season gift to members. We hope you enjoy this record of all our achievements over 2018!

And we must thank again all the volunteers among our members who made these activities and events happen so successfully.

Cheers, from the Editor



#### OUR FLORAL EMBLEM *Proiphys cunninghamii* Brisbane Lily

Planted on 14 October 2015 in MCBG at the  
Launch of fBBGSA.  
MJK captured these blooms Nov. 2015

Best wishes to all!

*Season's  
Greetings!*

Have a safe,  
healthy 2019 .



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PRESENT AND HELP TO  
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TREASURES?!





Christmas Challenge: Can you locate all the places and events captured here?





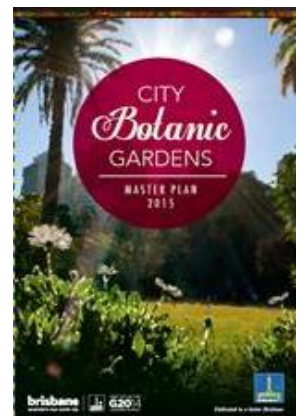
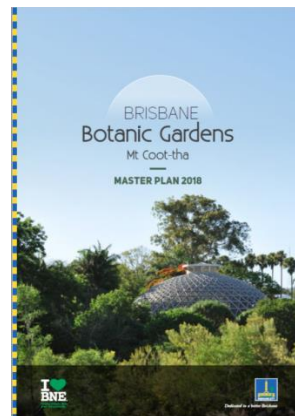
What's your favourite spot in which site?



## Who are we?

Friends of Brisbane Botanic Gardens and Sherwood Arboretum Ltd. is a not-for-profit Company limited by Guarantee, established October 2015. OUR COMPANY OBJECTS ARE:

1. To advocate for the conservation and protection of heritage, natural, scientific and recreational values of both Brisbane Botanic Gardens and Sherwood Arboretum;
2. To encourage high standards and effective management and maintenance of MCBG, CBG & SA;
3. To support the administration and enhancement of MCBG, CBG & SA;
4. To promote public appreciation of MCBG, CBG & SA as well as scientific, horticultural, artistic, literary and educational interests at local, State, Federal and international levels;
5. To engage with a widely diverse community with a program of ongoing events and activities in support of MCBG, CBG & SA;
6. To connect with individuals, groups, organisations and agencies and share knowledge and experience in order to achieve the foregoing objectives.



Not all activations are appropriate!







Learning the best ways to lobby politicians and businesses is needed to fulfil our objectives. We have maintained a steady rejection to several threats to the integrity, character, historic structures and landscapes, or especially damage to the precious plant collections throughout 2018. The word 'activation' can be a double edged sword if misused to justify any sort of intervention.

We continue to reject and resist the insertion of the ZIPLINE into the MCBG and across Mt Coot-tha generally. We keep finding more worrying negative effects. Losing the peace and quiet remains the main problem. Losing all the trees around the Australian Plant Communities area will be tragic.



Artist's rendering of landing Deck for six ziplines and adjacent Amenity Block building also showing the tower on top of the hill at the back of the Botanic Gardens

(Photograph taken at Community Information Session at Toowong, Wednesday 10 October 2018 by JSim).



We all agree that the Queensland Police Service and their families and friends deserve a proper Memorial for those who have paid the supreme sacrifice. But we were worried about inserting this new work in an historic botanic garden.

There were concerns that placing this memorial within the City Botanic Gardens was a mistake that would mean many more memorials to follow until the CBG was overwhelmed and no longer a place of refuge and botanical display.

The final result has been a welcome surprise as the collection of dolmens nestle on the side of the reopened lawn beside the Conifer Collection.



Photographs by Dale Arvidsson.



*Morning Star* sculpture relocated nearer to Alice Street.



**The FRIENDS OF BRISBANE BOTANIC GARDENS AND SHERWOOD GARDENS**  
Ltd represents the interests of communities of Brisbane and its surrounds to promote the overall welfare of the City Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mount Coot-and Sherwood Arboretum that collectively called Brisbane Botanic Gardens and Sherwood Arboretum.

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## What's FLOWERING

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### 3. PROMOTING AND COMMUNICATING

# We have two websites!

One main workhorse and chief source of news, activities, administration and business!

[www.fbbgsa.org.au](http://www.fbbgsa.org.au)

And one that celebrates and interprets the history and significance of our three sites of interest!



[www.brisbanebotanic treasures.info](http://www.brisbanebotanic treasures.info)

We have Facebook and Instagram pages to inform and entertain.



<https://www.facebook.com/brisbanebotanicgardens/>

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We use Mailchimp to broadcast emails to  
communicate to our members!

And we have the [info@fbbsga.org.au](mailto:info@fbbsga.org.au) email address to receive your queries and comments!

Our newsletter is called *Lilygram*.

Jeannie Sim continues as the Editor with many thanks to all the contributing over the years! Published since December 2015, we reach issue 10 with this seasonal treat. And we are always looking for ideas and more writers!

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## From the Chair

In such low times happening now, we  
need more than ever to be able to  
share our own experience with others.

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Many of us are trying to  
navigate through these times  
and help others.

— Mary E. Davis  
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And no room left for Issue 9!

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Volunteers are amazing! Members are lovely!

#### MINDING THE STORE/GALLERY!

8 JANUARY-25 FEBRUARY 2018

Jeannie Baker's "Circle" Exhibition held in the Richard Randall Studio MCBG where we supervised the visitors and sold books. Bonding members over EFTPOS machines, raffle tickets and cashboxes!

#### PLANT CRECHES!

16-17 MARCH: Plant & Garden Plant Expo

26-27 MAY: Plant Collectors Fair

#### PROMOTIONAL STANDS!

13-15 JULY 2018: Qld Garden Expo Nambour

10-19 AUGUST 2018: Brisbane Exhibition (The Ekka!) in Old Museum Building.



4 SEPTEMBER

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting !

20-21 OCTOBER 2018

#### Brisbane Tomato Festival

Our inaugural extravaganza in association with The Diggers Club! Just the beginning!

24 NOVEMBER 2018

Our **Christmas Gathering** in the Lookout Hut, MCBG in late arvo! ★★★★★★★★★★



#### KITCHEN GARDEN at MCBG

We had a team of our volunteers helping the BG staff tend the thriving Kitchen Garden once a month during 2018 and set to continue in 2019. We are hoping to set a similar group for the CBG and the Floral Display Garden in 2019 but it will mean a different set of H&S regs to meet.

#### GROWING GROUP

While desperately searching for a home throughout 2018, our trusty volunteer propagators made a good start establishing this popular activity. Our Christmas present from BCC and Cr. David McLachlan was permission to construct a small temporary nursery at the back of the MCBG depot. Watch for more news in 2019.







4 APRIL 2018

Royal visitors to CBG. Brisbane welcomed His Royal Highness, Prince Charles and his wife, Camilla, the Duchess of Cornwall on their visit to open the XXI Commonwealth Games at the Gold Coast.

25 APRIL 2018:

Anzac Day Community BBQ in MCBG.  
Go super-griller John the Treasurer!

18 MAY 2018:

World Botanic Art Day an event by BASQ (**Botanical Art Society of Queensland**) who are now one of our NFP corporate members!



[www.botanicalartqld.com.au](http://www.botanicalartqld.com.au)

and [www.facebook.com/botanicalartqld](https://www.facebook.com/botanicalartqld)

Our first NFP Corporate Member is our sister group **Friends of Sherwood Arboretum**. Apart from shared walks and visits President Andrew Benison, shared many stories and images to *Lilygram*. For more information, please email [info@sherwoodarboretum.com.au](mailto:info@sherwoodarboretum.com.au)



More old friends! Keeping in touch with the **Volunteers Guides** who are attached to the Botanic Gardens had been a priority in 2018. They celebrated 30 years at MCBG in 2018 and 2019 will be 30 years for the CBG.



Bettina Palmer's weaving group held several sessions throughout 2018. Making excellent use of plant materials sourced from the gardens to explore basketry!

We also enjoyed the BCC's spectacular "BOTANICA: Contemporary Art Outside" in the City Botanic Gardens 6-15 April 2018.

<https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/whats-on/gc2018/botanica>

And looking forward to their 2019 iteration!

14 SEPTEMBER 2018

Bettina Palmer's HORTI-COUTURE event "Wearing the Garden" in the Japanese Gardens was as fantastic as ever! Outstanding artistry by designers and florists and the beautiful models. Many thanks Bettina for making this happen.

Looking forward to the next one in 2020 in the Auditorium at night!



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## "Hidden Treasures"

Starting well this year while memories of the old Open Garden Scheme resonate! Many thanks to garden owners Antonia and Helen!

5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018

*Mother Nature's Laughter*  
Antonia McCaskie's garden



1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

Helen Henningham's Corinda garden.



Being a member of fBBGSA and being a volunteer is a meaningful contribution to our community. Have you discovered that warm inner glow yet? Does your face look happy like the lion on the Walter Hill Drinking Fountain in the CBG? We hope so.

## DONATIONS!

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All surplus funds arising from our annual events calendar are directed towards projects within the gardens as agreed and approved by the Board.

In addition we seek support through donations. Open 24/7 for generous givers!

<https://fbbgsa.org.au/donations/#!/form/Donation>



Many thanks everyone!