

#### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

The Annual General Meeting was our first meeting for nearly twelve months, and it was great to be able to catch up face-to-face with the members who attended.

The elections fell a little short in finding our next President, which will be held over until the April meeting. We have a committee meeting planned in the next couple of weeks to plan for our meetings for the remainder of this year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing President, Lisa Fox, for her hard work over the past few years, and wish her and Glen all the best in their new location. Lisa will still be involved in the club with looking after the MCG website and assisting with our social media platforms. I'm sure we will be seeing her from time to time when she can manage a visit to coincide with our meetings.

In this newsletter you will find information on our seed list which we are running again this year. A change will be opening it up to the public once members have selected their seed. Make sure you read the dates for the deadlines. The form for seed sellers is at the end of this newsletter.

Also in this newsletter are the minutes from the Annual General Meeting and a membership form for those that have not yet renewed.

We look forward to seeing you at our April meeting.



#### **NEXT MEETING**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Friday 22 April 7.30pm (please note the previous newsletter had the April date incorrectly listed)

Movie night

Uniting Church Cnr Blackburn Rd & Burwood Hwy, Burwood

The Melbourne Clivia Group holds regular meetings at the Burwood Heights Uniting Church Fellowship Room. Night meetings start 7.30 p.m.

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#### **2022 CALENDAR**

Friday 22 Apr 7.30pm - Meeting & Movie night

**Saturday 18 Jun** 2pm – Meeting (Variegates & Interspecifics)

Saturday 16 Jul 2pm - Garden visit and lunch

Friday 19 Aug 7.30pm – Meeting (Speaker TBA)

Sat 17 Sep 2022 CLIVIA EXPO

Friday 21 Oct 7.30pm - Meeting (Speaker TBA)



#### 2022 SEEDLIST

he Melbourne Clivia Group will again be offering a quality seedlist in 2022.

This will provide members the opportunity to acquire quality seed crosses that may not readily be available for sale in Australia. In 2022, we will be offering the seedlist to the general public after the members have selected their choice of seeds.

Any financial member is welcome to become a seller. Sellers are encouraged to complete the seller form attached to this newsletter and submit the form to the secretary either by email, or at the April meeting. The deadline for sellers to submit their form is the 1st May.

A seedlist will then be created and distributed to members via newsletter later in May. Members are welcome to place an order after the 6<sup>th</sup> June with the seedlist available to the public from the 8<sup>th</sup> July.

The seeds will be available at the August meeting, or by post if the buyer or seller is unable to attend a meeting.

This is the first time we have opened the seedlist up to the public, having only commenced in 2021 with member orders. We encourage you to participate and help us to ensure the MCG seedlist is a success.

#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2022**

embership renewals are now due and payable for the 2022 year.

By now you will have received notification of the status of your membership by either email or letter. If you have not received this notification, please contact Rae Begg (Treasurer) for confirmation.

If your membership is payable, you will find a membership form at the end of this newsletter or you can renew online at the following link - <a href="http://www.melbournecliviagroup.org.au/membership/membership-application-form/">http://www.melbournecliviagroup.org.au/membership/membership-application-form/</a>

Thank you for your continued support to keep the Melbourne Clivia Group running.



Figure 1 A Robusta x Caulescens in flower for Brenda Girdlestone & John Mackenzie



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# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL OF THE MELBOURNE CLIVIA GROUP INC. 2022

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Please note that payment of the appropriate amount must accompany the completed application form. Please send to the above address or give in person to the Treasurer.



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### Seedlist - Seller Trading Form

Name:	Phone:	Email:
How will your seed be distributed (at August mee	ting or Australia Post only)?	

- Seller must be a financial member of the Melbourne Clivia Group
- Seller agrees to reserve seed ordered by MCG members
- Seller agrees to pay Melbourne Clivia Group 10% commission
- Seller agrees to harvest, peel and clean seed, placing in small packet with cross written on packet
- Melbourne Clivia Group will accept orders and compensate seller once buyer has paid and seed is delivered. Any postage costs will be reimbursed at that time.
- Seller is to inform secretary as soon as possible if seed becomes unavailable due to accident or miscalculation.
- Seller will receive orders from the secretary when order has been paid for.
- If seed distribution is via Australia Post, seller agrees to send seed to secretary, as small parcel with tracking number. Flat rate shipping for small parcel up to 35.5cm x 22cm and up to 5kg is \$9.20 using Australia Post satchel. Receipt and tracking number must be retained.
- Seed distribution via the August meeting (19 August).
- Please supply photo of berry plant and pollen plant if available.

I give consent to the Melbourne Clivia Group Inc. to sell my seed and agree to pay above commission on the sale.

Signature:	Date:



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Seed cross (State berry and pollen parents)	Description of cross (expected outcome etc.)	Species	Number of seeds per packet?	Number of packets available	Price per packet



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## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2022 of the Melbourne Clivia Group

Date 18th February 2022.

Venue: Burwood Heights Uniting Church, Fellowship Room, Cnr. Burwood Hwy and Blackburn Rd. Burwood.

Meeting Opens (7.40 pm)

Welcome: Vice President Di Matthews welcomed members to the new Clivia year.

Apologies: John Trotter, Michael Barrett, Helen Marriott, Allan Gibson.

Members Present: (15)

Rae Begg, Ray Begg, Geoff Brown, Terry Edwards, Brenda Girdlestone, Ian Johnson, John Mackenzie, Di Matthews, Chee Perks, Ray Perks, Paul Smith, Haydn Lomas, Kelvin Mitchell, John Cochrane, Alex Dumas.

Visitors: Nil

Motion to accept minutes of last AGM (distributed in April 2021 in MCG newsletter Vol.14.2)

Moved: Rae Begg Seconded: Chee Perks

#### 1. Reports.

#### President's report

My apologies that I am unable to attend my last Annual General Meeting as President of the Melbourne Clivia Group due to my relocation interstate. I am hopeful that there will be a number of members in attendance and that interest in the club has survived the pandemic.

For the second year in a row, we have been barely able to run meetings and were forced to cancel the Expo due to the pandemic and lock-downs. So, once again this is a short President's Report with not much to report.

In the past year, we have purchased a few items which will be an asset to the club for future Expos including two 'Expo today' flags for display at the roadside on the day of Expo, and board and cloth for low display tables at the Expo, plus rosettes for next year's Expo awards. We have managed to distribute the newsletters regularly as well as conduct our first ever seed sale. Our member's gallery of flowering plants on the website attracted a large amount of visitors. Although limited in what we could achieve this year, we have tried to keep the communication gates open with members and make small changes that will benefit the club in the future.

Thank you to the committee members who have volunteered their time and worked hard behind the scenes to keep the balls in the air. These include: Di Mathews, Rae Begg, John Mackenzie, Brenda Girdlestone, Ian Johnson and Geoff Brown. Thank you also to Terry Edwards who never fails to attend a meeting and takes care of our coffee supplies.

We are so fortunate to have a good number of experienced growers in the club who are very generous with their time and mentor new members. This is such a great way to share knowledge, make new friends and improve one's



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collection of plants. Some members are unable to attend meetings but are happy to be involved in initiatives such as the seed sales – and there are members who just wish to receive the newsletters. Members have different reasons for joining and we hope, as a club, to be able to cater for all types of members.

It is very important in 2022 that members step forward to support the MCG in any way that they can, whether it be through volunteering at the Expo, assisting at meetings with the raffle or trading table, fund-raising, providing a raffle prize, or simply providing photos of flowering plants for our social media account. The last two years have proved to be difficult for many clubs with keeping membership and interest alive, and the MCG is no exception.

So, hopefully tonight you will elect a new President and together with the new committee, the club will move forward into a new era – a post-pandemic era - where there will be meetings and activities again for members to enjoy our beautiful plants. I will continue to be involved with the club and hope to see you all either at the Expo or at the odd meeting I am able to attend.

Thank you, Lisa Fox

#### Motion to accept President's report

Moved: Paul Smith Seconded: Rae Begg

#### **Secretary Report 2022**

There's not a lot to report this year. Last year we managed to hold the AGM and 1 other meeting before lockdowns forced us to cancel the remainder of meetings plus Expo.

We ran a members seed list for the first-time last year and had 6 members selling and 12 members buying. As a first effort it was a good result, and we learned a lot so it gives us something to improve on. It was just unfortunate that due to COVID restrictions, we had to post out all the seeds instead of handing them out a meeting. It's hoped that the next committee continues with the seedlist and members support it.

Probably due to lockdowns and cancellation of Expo we did have more public enquiries for plant sales, I believe that we were able to fulfil all these enquires, which says a lot about our members and club. Here's hoping for a more normal year.

#### Move to accept Secretary's report.

Moved: Di Mathews Seconded: Chee Perks

#### Treasurer's Report

2021 Financial Report					
Bank Account		Income	Expenses	Sub-total	Balance
		\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
Opening Balance Bank Acc -					6,127.07
Income					



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	Membership	570.00			
	Raffles Seed Sales	50.00 1,521.00			
	Donations	70.00			
	Other (Council	70.00			
	refund)	190.00			
	Term Deposit closed	5,184.23			
				7,585.23	
					13,712.30
Expenses					
	Hall Hire		170.00		
	Web Site		179.00		
	Consumer Affairs		59.20		
	RHSV		210.00		
	Ехро		1,511.49		
	Seed sales		1,455.90		
	Other		874.71		
				4,460.30	
Closing Balance 31/12/21					9,252.00
Bank Assets					
	NAB Chq A/c -				
	Total to date				
Petty Cash					
Opening Balance					
	Credit				70.75
	Debit		14.05		56.70
Current Assets					
	NAB Chq A/c -				9,252.00
	Petty Cash				56.70
	Total Cash Assets				9,308.70
Profit/Loss 2021		Income	Expenses	Sub-total	Balance
		\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
	Bank Credit Incl Interest	7,585.23		7,585.23	



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Bank Debit		4,460.30		
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Move to accept Treasurer's report.

Moved: Geoff Brown Seconded: Ray Perks

#### 3. Election of 2022 Office Bearers

Di Mathews took the chair and declared all positions vacant and an election for president was conducted.

#### The nominations for President:

There were no nominations for President at this meeting and it we decided that we would hold the position open until the April meeting.

All members were in favour.

#### **Nominations for Vice President:**

Di Mathews Nominated by: Ray Perks Seconded by: Haydn Lomas

Di Mathews elected as Vice President.

#### Nominations for Secretary:

Brenda Girdlestone Nominated by Di Mathews Seconded by John Mackenzie Brenda Girdlestone elected as Secretary.

#### **Nominations for Treasurer:**

Rae Begg Nominated by Chee Perks Seconded by Geoff Brown

Rae Begg elected as Treasurer.

#### **Nominations for Ordinary Committee members:**

John Mackenzie Nominated by Ray Begg Seconded by Chee Perks Ian Johnson Nominated by Geoff Brown Seconded by Ray Begg

John Cochrane Nominated by Alex Dumas Seconded by Terry Edwards

#### 4 Raffle

Raffle prizes were won by:

Ian JohnsonDi MathewsBrenda GirdlestoneRay PerksRay BeggAlex DumasJohn Cochrane

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Next general meeting 22 April at 7.30 pm