



Sutherland Group 2011 program

8 pm, 3rd Wednesday of each month except January and December

16 February

Alan Fairley on **Rare plants of southern Sydney**. Alan is a well known local identity and botanical author with a vast knowledge of plants in the greater Sydney region. He also has just issued the new (3rd) edition of *Native Plants of the Sydney Region*.



16 March

Lloyd Hedges from the Menai Group talked on his extensive experiences with **Plants of our Desert Regions**.



20 April

Matthew Greenlees on **Pests in Native Gardens** talked about pests in the garden but focused on the arrival of cane toads to the Shire, the threat they pose and what the council is doing about them.



18 May

Geckos

Matthew Mo talked about lizards of Sydney and highlighted the broad-tailed gecko



15 June

Green corridors film

This film produced by the National Parks Association Southern Sydney Branch aims to raise awareness of the need to conserve the natural and Aboriginal cultural resources of Southern Sydney and the Northern Illawarra, especially by ensuring that protected areas, reserves and water catchments areas are linked by "bush highways" that give animals and plants a chance to disperse throughout the region. Conserving the underwater world is also a part of the regional approach to conservation that the film promotes, so life beyond our coastline is also highlighted.



20 July

Restoring Natural Capital

Bev Debrincat from The Habitat Network presented some examples of environmental projects taking place around the world and explained what can be done locally, citing examples.



17 August

Banksias and Boabs – From SW to NW Western Australia

Ralph Cartwright presented photos and descriptions of some interesting plants of SW and NW Western Australia from his recent trips.



21 September **Spring Spectacular**
Flowers from members' gardens



19 October **A Taxonomic study on *Ajuga australis* (Austral Bugle)**
Daniel Clarke



16 November **The Evolution of pollination**
Professor Trevor Wilson discusses his research into the pollination and relationships of *Prostanthera* (Lamiaceae) and how this study has provided a better perspective about the evolution of pollination in Australia.



We have plants for sale, books to borrow, plant identification, bring and buy table, plant raffle, CDs for sale, a free supper – and friendly people to chat with. Visitors welcome, so bring a friend.

**Monthly meetings held at
GyMEA Community Centre, 39 GyMEA Bay Rd, GyMEA**

Visitors welcome

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From 7.45 pm for 8 pm start
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