



# BULLETIN

'Friendship through Gardens'

## Keeping in Touch

The quarterly 'Bulletin' is the primary way the GCA Board keeps in touch with Affiliates. Please share this Bulletin with the Committee & all your members.

## Are your Contact Details Current?

Ensure that your official contact details are correct. Advise GCA as soon as there are any changes by [submitting a FORM 4](#). Find it on the website under 'GCA forms' (on the bar above the images on the home page). The database cannot be altered without receiving this Form.

## Advertise your Upcoming Events

Please let us know of important events such as Shows, Open Gardens, Festivals etc, in advance so we can advertise your events in [online Diary Dates](#) & our [Facebook Group](#). Email content to Communications Director.

## Display your Affiliation

To build your standing, on your Website, Flyers, Newsletters, and all promotional material, show your affiliation to GCA by adding:

**"Affiliated with Garden Clubs of Australia Inc"**  
and our motto  
**'Friendship through Gardens'**

**Paul Sheaffe**  
**Director of Communications**  
**Email: [GCA Communications](#)**

## 2026 Annual Photo Competition

The GCA 2026 Photocomp is open, free to enter and prizes of \$150, \$100, \$50 in each of the five categories. There are also 3 Highly Commended prizes worth \$50 from our sponsors, for each section.

The entry form may be found on the GCA Website Form 7 and all photos should be sent to [photocomp@gardenclubs.org.au](mailto:photocomp@gardenclubs.org.au) for judging. NB The preferred photo format is PNG or JPG, in landscape form, sent as an email attachment. The closing date is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2026.

There are 5 categories with 3 prizes in each category: \$150, \$100, \$50, as well as prizes from our sponsors for 3 'highly commended'. Winning photos will be published in 'Our Gardens' magazine.

## The GCA Board Opportunity

An OPPORTUNITY To influence the future of GCA

GCA affiliates, consider nominating a member to join the 2026 Board of Directors.

Attributes wanted:

- A team player acting with integrity, resilience and in the best interests of all Affiliates.
- Strong communication skills.
- Previous experience with volunteers, not-for-profit groups, Club committees or Boards, especially in an executive role.
- Familiar with electronic communication.
- Highly desirable - extra skills such as legal, financial, publishing, public relations, graphic design ...

A love of gardens and horticulture is assumed.

**Nominations close on COB 16 September 2026.**

## GCA Convention 2027 – Hobart, Tasmania

<https://convention.gardenclubs.org.au/>

The new website is now live, and you can now pre-register your interest online!

The Convention Committee in Hobart are busy organising a wonderful program for October 2027 and information will be added to the site as it is confirmed.