



## FRIENDS OF BUNINYONG BOTANIC GARDENS

DANDENONG RANGES BUS TOUR SAT NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

**A CHANCE TO VISIT TWO PRIVATE GARDENS IN THE DANDENONGS AND A VISIT TO THE GEORGE TINDALE MEMORIAL GARDEN AT SHERBROOK AS OUR LUNCH SPOT.**



**“CHILCOTE”** at Ferny Creek was established shortly after WWII on a steeply sloping  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre block. The stone terraces, walls and paths were installed by an Italian Landscape gardener and his team. Most of the current planting and considerable re-shaping of the garden was undertaken by Alf and Meg Steel, who devoted themselves to the property for over 40 years. Their daughter Ann and son-in-law Bruce McGregor have looked after the garden since 2004. “Chilcote” has a diversity of plants for cool temperate regions. As well as Dogwoods, Camellias and Rhododendrons, a large Laburnum archway runs downhill on the southern side and is spectacular in November. At the foot of the garden is a fish pond with curved stone bridge framed by Maples and Tree ferns.



**GEORGE TINDALE MEMORIAL GARDENS** is a former private garden, now managed by Parks Victoria. It contains a number of plants rarely found in cultivation which are thriving in the cool temperate climate and shaded conditions. A Myriad of small flowers and shrubs are framed by larger trees with European species interspersed with stately Eucalypts. There are several nice lunch spots in this garden for our picnic lunch.



**“THE BRIARS”** at Kallista is also on a sloping block, this time looking out over the Patch Valley towards the Yarra Ranges. This is the garden of John Dwyer and his wife Joan. John, a former President of the Garden History Society has had a long interest in gardens both with that Society and the National Trust. The garden has some lovely mature trees – a Rimu, Scarlet Oaks, Golden Elm and Tulip Tree. The terraces were designed and planted by Jeremy Francis, now of Cloud Hill in the early nineteen nineties. There are herbaceous borders on each terrace.

Cost includes morning and afternoon teas and a boxed lunch. \$57 full price  
\$52 Senior discount  
See attached Booking Form.  
BUS WILL LEAVE BUNINYONG TOWN HALL AT 8.30 AM AND RETURN APPROX 5.30PM  
Enquiries: Ring Organiser Peter Hiscock  
0408 337 696



**Friends of Buninyong Botanic Gardens**

**REPLY SLIP & BOOKING FORM DANDENONG RANGES BUS TOUR**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2018**

I/we would like to join the tour of “Chilcote”, George Tindale Memorial Gardens and “The Briars”

**NAME (S)** .....

**ADDRESS**.....

**EMAIL**..... **PHONE**.....

**EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME AND NUMBER**.....

..... No of bookings @ \$57 full price \$.....

..... No of bookings @ \$52 Senior discount \$.....

**Total** \$.....

**FOR PAYMENT:**

**I/WE ENCLOSE A CHEQUE OR HAVE MADE A DIRECT DEPOSIT (see details below)**

**POST CHEQUE TO:** THE SECRETARY  
FRIENDS OF BUNINYONG BOTANIC GARDENS  
PO BOX 28  
BUNINYONG 3357

**OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:** Buninyong and District Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank

BSB 633-000 ACCOUNT No. 1402 95593  
(ensure that your name is included) and email  
[pmclh@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pmclh@bigpond.net.au) advising of booking.

**BOOKINGS CLOSE:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.

