

MEMORIES AND PHOTOS OF THE MALENY & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY 1965

THE YEAR IS 1965

Floral Carpet "Bell, Book & Candle" Churchill's Life theme 1965 Autumn Fair



Churchill's Book of Life as seen by the ladies of the Horticultural Society
These photos are provided courtesy of the collection Mrs Daisy Armstrong/Mr Phil Prentis/Mrs Olga Webster

The Nambour Chronicle dated 19th February 1965 reports

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Mrs R Penney President of the Horticultural Society, thanked Mr and Mrs H A Robinson of Brisbane, for being present to judge the exhibits and all who had helped to make the function the success it was, especially mentioning the Buderim exhibitors

OFFICE BEARERS

Elected at AGM September 1964 to AGM September 1965

Life Patron	Mr J H Skerman
Patron	Mr K Riordan
President	Mrs R Penney
Senior Vice president	Mrs G. Chafer & Mrs A. W. Plucknett
Secretary	Mrs S. Dunstan
Treasurer	Mrs G Cassells
Publicity	Mrs L. Mitchell (acknowledged at AGM)
Honorary Auditor	Mr R. Phillips

Meetings were held in the homes of

Members attending

January	Mr & Mrs Colin Heading Booroobin	24 with 14 apologies
February	Pavilion at Witta	27 with 20 apologies
March	Mr & Mrs W Bergann Witta	27 with 10 apologies
April	C of E Hall	14 with 5 apologies
May	Mr & Mrs G Cassells	30 with 6 apologies
June	C of E Hall	16 with 5 apologies
July	Not recorded	
August	C of E Hall	15 with 8 apologies
September (AGM)	Presbyterian Hall	60+ with 4 apologies
October	Mr & Mrs Smith Beerwah	43 with 4 apologies (<i>including 4 gentlemen visitors</i>)
November	Presbyterian Hall	19 (<i>noted as being a very wet day</i>)

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

January . February , March 57, April 60, May 60, June 62, July -, August 64, September 60+, October Not recorded, November Not recorded.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1965

Minutes of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting was held in the Presbyterian Hall on Tuesday 28th September 1965.

Opening

Mrs R Penney (President) opened the meeting and extended a very warm welcome to the large gathering of members and friends present and then invited Mr F Porter to chair the meeting for us.

Apologies

Were received from Miss Francis, Mesdames Webster, R Burnett, Mr W Burnett and Mr P Lyons, Mrs Riordan.

Attendance

The meeting was very well attended over 60 members being present as per the attendance book, we were very pleased to welcome Mr & Mrs F Lowe and Mr & Mrs Wagner who represented Buderim Garden Club.

Minutes

Of the previous Annual meeting were read and confirmed on the motion of Mrs Bergann seconded Mrs Martin.

Presidents Report

Mrs Penney gave a very comprehensive report of the doings of the Society for the past year, she was congratulated on her report by Mrs W Newton also Mr Lowe of Buderim who told us of the benefits derived from joining the Queensland Dahlia Society. Other speakers were Mrs Clancy (Catholic Ladies Guild), Mrs Skerman (School of Arts), Mrs Waters (Baptist Guild), Mrs Chafer (Presbyterian Ladies), Mrs Thomas (Pre-school Centre), Miss Ruby Harch (Lutheran Ladies), Mrs E Evans (CWA), This was carried by acclamation.

Treasurers Report

Mrs Cassells then gave her Treasurers report which showed a credit balance of £8/10/4, this was seconded by Mrs T Mitchell and was spoken on by Mr A Myers who congratulated Mrs Cassells on the very apt way that she controlled the finances of the Society. This was also carried by acclamation.

Competitions

A table of arrangements representing a song title which formed a competition for visitors was won by Mrs W Newton who successfully named 8 out of 10.

Plants

Were won by the following, Mrs S Cassells, Neville Ekert, Mrs Doyle, Mrs Newton, Kay Hawkins, Mrs Mannion, Mrs Guille, and Mrs Mathie.

Election of Officers

Patron and Life member	Mr J H Skerman
Junior Patron	Mr L K Riordan
President	Mrs R Penney (re-elected)
Vice Presidents	Mrs B Humphries & Mrs E Hawkins
Secretary	Mrs S Dunstan (re-elected)
Treasurer	Mrs G Cassells (re-elected)

Closing

This concluded the business of the meeting, Mrs Penney in closing thanked Mr Porter for chairing the meeting and also thanked the ladies who acted as hostesses namely Mesdames Hawkins, Chafer and Musk. Mrs Musk was unable to be present so Mrs Neill kindly stood in for her. She the asked all to partake of the dainty luncheon which was enjoyed by all.

Minutes confirmed/signed off H Penney President.

COMPETITION FOR THE MONTH POINTS.

January Points

Mrs Dunstan 21 points, Mrs G Cassells 5, Mrs R Penney 6, Mrs Geritz Snr 5, Mrs M Martin 4, Mrs Geritz Jnr 2, Mrs Musk 2, Mrs S Cassells 1.

February Points

Mrs Dunstan 16 points, Mrs Penney 15, Mrs M Martin 14, Mrs Thomas 10, Mrs Tomkins 6, Mrs E Hawkins 4, Mrs L Mitchell 2, Mrs Musk 1, Mrs Geritz Jnr 1.

March Points

Mrs R Penney 18 points, Mrs M Martin 12, Mrs S Dunstan 6, Miss E Francis 1.

April Points

Mrs G Cassells 20, Mrs S Dunstan 12, Mrs M Martin 5,, Mrs R Penney 5.

May Points

M Martin 10, H Penney 8, T Dunstan 7, G Cassells 6, B Humphries 5, D Prentis 4, Chafer and Wheatcroft 2, Musk and Wheatcroft 1.

June Points

Mrs Cassells and Mrs Dunstan each 16 points, Miss Wheatcroft 5, Mrs Porter 1

July Points

No record

August Points

Mrs Penney 15, Mrs Cassells 14, Mrs Dunstan 11, Mrs Musk 4.

September Points

H Penny 15, M Martin 14, Mrs Mathie 12, D Prentis 11, J Beacom 10, G Cassells 7, G Chafer 7, B Humphries 6, H Porter 6, M Woodman 6, J Grigor 5, L Wheatcroft 4, P Mannion 4, I Mitchell 3, N Pratten 1.

October Points

Not recorded

November Points

Points for the day

Cut flower section

Mrs Dunstan 10

Mrs Mannion 9

Floral art section

Mrs Penney 8

Mrs Dunstan 6

Mrs M Martin 2

Mrs G Cassells 6

Mrs P Mannion 1

NOMINATED FLOWER COMPETITION FOR EACH MONTH

January (for February)

Informal arrangement of Dahlias, - One Hibiscus, - Two Asters, - Three Miscellaneous Flowers, - One Cactus Dahlia, - One Decorative Dahlia

February (for March)

Informal arrangement of Marigolds, - "As I Like It" arrangement, - Three Miscellaneous cut flowers, - One spray shrub.

March (for April)

One spray chrysanthemum, - One hibiscus, - Three Miscellaneous flowers, - Foliage arrangement, - Vase of Gerberas (not less than six flowers, foliage permitted).

April (for May)

Three Miscellaneous Flowers, - One Camellia, -One spray Chrysanthemum, - One flower arrangement, - An arrangement depicting a song.

May (for June)

Three Miscellaneous Cut Flowers, -One Spray shrub, - Two gerberas (double), - Two Gerberas (single), - Arrangement of bulbous flowers ("as I like it"), - A miniature rock garden.

June (for July)

Three Sweet peas, - Three bulbous, - Three Miscellaneous, -One flower arrangement, - One spray azalea.

July (for August)

No record discovered

August (for September AGM)

One trough mixed flowers, trough not to exceed 8" frontal effect, - One informal arrangement of Driftwood and flowers, -

One wall vase, - One trough suitable for Dressing table, - Floral arrangements representing a song title, - Three Sweet peas, - Two Poppies (Iceland), - One gladioli, - Two Lupins, - two Pansies, - One Carnation, - Container of three distinct shrubs.

September (for October)

Not recorded

October (for November)

Competition for that day
Floral Art section
One Christmas arrangement
One Foliage arrangements
Cut Flower section
One Rose
Three Miscellaneous flowers
One Spray Fuchsia
One carnation
One Gladioli
Two Geraniums

November (for January)

Competitions for the day	Cut Flower section	Floral Art section
	Three Miscellaneous cut flowers	One Flower arrangements
	One Carnation	An informal arrangement
	One cut hydrangeas	

DAHLIA SHOW (1965)

General Business - January

Mr Burnett could not help us with the carpet as he would not be home at that period, so Mrs Noel Thomas kindly offered to do a design for the carpet and some of the available members offered their assistance to help lay the carpet.

Dahlia Show Entries - January

Moved by Mrs Chafer seconded Mrs Bergann that Secretary write and thank Mrs Myers for doing the schedules for the Dahlia show. Moved by Mrs Dunstan seconded by Mrs Warne that Stewards have the power to reject entries after closing time, all entries must be completed by 10.30am.

Stewards - January

Dahlia and Children's section, - Mrs M Martin & Mrs B Humphries, - Cut Flowers, Mrs S Cassells & Mrs Musk, - Floral Art, - Mrs Dickens & Miss Francis.

Prize money - January

Moved by Mrs Bergann seconded Mrs Humphries that £3/18/0- being prize money donation and judges fees be paid.

School of Arts - January

Secretary was instructed to contact the School of Arts Committee and ask them would they assist us by cutting up 8 to 10 sacks of pine for the carpet and would they please put the tables up for the flowers on the 11th in preparation for the 12th.

Dahlia Show - September

Moved Mrs Plucknett seconded Mrs Bergann that we again sponsor our annual Dahlia Show in aid of the School of Arts Funds, tentative date 25th February 1966.

SPRING FAIR

Spring Fair - March

There was quite a lengthy discussion on ways to try and make this function more entertaining and so doing encourage more patronage. Several suggestions were put forward for the representatives of the Society to take to the Combined meeting on the 2nd April to be held at Mrs Riordan's home.

General Business - April

The Spring Fair schedule was discussed at length and some sections were deleted and others included. The Patrons Trophy was decided on being a two toned arrangement side view.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Minutes - January

A minutes silence was observed for the passing of Mr B J Nothling also Mr Pattemore.

Opening - June

In the absence of the President, Mrs G Chafer (Vice President), opened the meeting and a minutes silence was observed for the passing of our late member Mrs A M Penney, she then welcomed the members and visitors present, attendance 16. Mrs Dunstan offered to make a sheath of flowers from the Society for Mrs A M Penney's funeral.

Election of Officers - August

Life Patron Mr Skerman, - Junior Patron Mr L K Riordan, - President, Mrs Penney nominated Mrs Plucknett who declined, - Secretary Mrs Dunstan (re-elected), - Treasurer Mrs G Cassells (re-elected), - 1st Vice President Mrs B Humphries, - 2nd Vice President Mrs E Hawkins.

Stewards for Annual meeting

Mrs S Cassells, Mrs W Rough, Mrs Cassells and Miss Wheatcroft.

Hostesses

Mesdames Hawkins, Musk and Chafer

Donations for Annual meeting

Mrs Penney and Mrs Musk each donated bread, - Mrs Chafer donated butter, - Mrs Porter salmon, - Mrs Hawkins meat.

Books - August

Moved Mrs Hawkins, seconded Mrs Porter that we order 4 new rule books from R H S of Qld. Moved Mrs Chafer seconded Mrs S Cassells that we purchase two modern Floral Art books for use of members.

Books - October

Secretary to purchase three exercise books, one for floral art, one for cut flower monthly competition and one for our new librarian ready to take over. Secretary to purchase floral art book, I decided on "Home and Garden" moved by Mrs E Hawkins seconded Mrs Humphries.

Mr Skerman 90th birthday - October

Mrs Chafer kindly offered to make a sheath of flowers to send to our Patron Mr J H Skerman on his 90th Birthday

Swap table - December

Our new venture of a swap table was well patronised and proved quite successful.

GARDENING HINTS/NOTES

Business - February

Mrs Woodman suggests that we call Rhizomes, Corms, Tubers, Bulbs, Roots, Crowns etc by their correct names and that next meeting we bring one along for classification and give it as a raffle prize.

Business - March

Mr Woodman brought along a very interesting article on carnation growing, explaining soil requirements, disbudding etc telling of the value of using Condy's Crystals water to help with prevention of collar rot.

FLORAL ART

Demonstration - February

Mrs Riordan then demonstrated a bowl of Asters and an informal arrangement of Marigolds, she also pointed out mistakes to the competitors in the informal arrangements of Dahlias which was greatly appreciated by the competitors.

Demonstration - June

Mrs Dunstan to give demonstration of decorated cup and saucer.

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICLE (1)

The Nambour Chronicle dated 19th February 1965 reports

GOOD ATTENDANCE AT MALENY DAHLIA SHOW.

'Although the inclement weather again prevailed for the annual dahlia show and floral carpet, sponsored by the Maleny and District Horticultural Society, on Friday, in aid of the School of Arts, there was a good attendance of interested viewers throughout the day.'

Although storms had been experienced in various parts of the district during the past few weeks, there was a wealth of wonderful dahlia and other blooms.

FLORAL CARPET

The Floral carpet, an outstanding feature of this annual event over the past ten years, was one of the main attractions.



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MANNEQUINS

A mannequin parade arranged by Mesdames W H Ross and Co and compered by Mrs M Forsythe and much appreciated and enjoyed, sleepwear, beachwear, day, afternoon and evening wear were modelled by Mesdames Joan Paterson, Hazel Woods, Nancy Bryce, also Miss Margaret Thomas and Laleine Patterson. The Grand Finale was Mrs Hazel Woods parading in her beautiful wedding gown and veil.

Songs were rendered by Mrs G Cassells and Mr A W Webster, Mrs B Humphries gave a recitation and Mrs C Adams played a selection on the piano and was also the pianist for the parade.

STALLS

The usual stalls of sweets, jumble stall, cakes and produce were in evidence, also luncheon and afternoon tea were available.

Mrs G Thomas senior was the winner of a dinner donated by the refreshment stall; Mrs Reg Egan a car seat from the produce stall.

A cushion was won by Mrs Alan Cork at the sweet stall. The jumble stall prize was a decorated dish won by Mrs G Chafer. A Pyrex dish from the cake stall was won by Miss Beverly Schafer.

The gross takings for the entire function were £83/15/4.

The next meeting of the Horticultural Society will be held in the Witta pavilion on February 23rd instead of Mr and Mrs Bergann's residence'.

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICLE (2)

The Nambour Chronicle dated September 3 1965 reports

SPRING FAIR AT MALENY

'Commenting on the blooms exhibited at the fourteenth annual Spring Fair, sponsored by the Maleny and District Horticultural Society on August 27 in aid of the Maleny Ambulance Centre, the judges, Mr and Mrs Beutel, from Brisbane, said there was nothing at the recent Royal Show to exceed the quality of the blooms displayed.

Mr Beutel added that he had never seen better stocks. Unsettled weather conditions were responsible for the smaller attendance. The cut flower and floral art exhibits, despite the lack of rain during the past few months were a decided credit to those responsible for their showing.

A non-competitive display of beautiful Cymbidium orchids by Mr R Gilliland attracted a great deal of interest. Apart from the floral sections the Ambulance Committee was responsible for the fruit and vegetable section, also cookery competitions and primary school work from Maleny, Witta and Conondale.

Brightly decorated stalls were conducted by the Ladies Ambulance Committee. Luncheon and afternoon tea were also available.

MINIATURES

A feature in this year's exhibits was the introduction of a class for miniature gardens for a trophy donated by Mr W J Burnett. This attracted seven entries, Mrs Wheatcroft's entry was awarded the trophy.

The Champion flower of the Fair, a stock, was exhibited by Mrs Johnston. Mrs C Waters exhibited the Champion arrangement and also won the Patrons trophy. The junior Patrons trophy was won by Mrs Bergann.

Introducing Mr and Mrs Beutel the President of the Ambulance Committee (Mr W Burnett) thanked the President and members of the Horticultural Society for their co-operation and congratulated the exhibitors on their efforts and wonderful display of blooms. He also congratulated the school children on their work.

Mrs R Penney President of the Horticultural Society thanked the members of the Ambulance Ladies Committee, members of the Horticultural Society and all exhibitors and helpers for the successful function.

HINTS

Mr and Mrs Beutel gave some very useful hints to those present on exhibiting in vases and bowls and the arrangement of flowers, also miniature garden arrangements.

A vote of thanks to judges in all sections moved by Mr W J Burnett was carried by acclamation.

At the conclusion of the presentation of trophies a spring hat parade compered by Mrs W J Burnett was staged.

Gross proceeds from the function amounted to approximately £100/-/-.

Results will be published next week'.

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICLE (3)

The Nambour Chronicle dated September 10 1965 reports

LOSS OF PUBLIC INTEREST IN MALENY SCHOOL OF ARTS

"The past year has shown a falling off in patronage by the public of the School of Arts amenities, thus resulting in a somewhat worrying financial situation: said the retiring President of the Maleny School of Arts (Mr A W Webster) in his report to the annual meeting on August 30, which was poorly attended.

.....The Maleny and District Horticultural Society again sponsored the annual dahlia show in February and the floral carpet designed by Mrs Noel Thomas and her helpers was much admired. The showing of dahlias was very attractive and was augmented by entries from the Buderim Society.....

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICLE (4)

The Nambour Chronicle dated 15th October reports

PROGRESSIVE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AT MALENY

'The Maleny and District Horticultural Society has been progressing well and membership has now reached 64, said the Society President (Mrs R Penney) at the annual meeting of the Society in the Presbyterian Church Hall on September 28th.

Bowls of blooms and exhibits of floral arrangements by the members created a bright atmosphere for the meeting.

Mrs Penney welcomed 60 members and visitors and asked Mr Porter to chair the meeting. In presenting her report the President stated:-

An average attendance of 30 shows the keenness in the showing of our flowers at every monthly meeting. I would like to thank all members who have generously loaned their homes for these meetings and also the ladies who have acted as hostesses for our hall meetings.

This year we again re-affiliated with the Royal Horticultural Society. By being a member of this Society we are able to keep up with the present day rules and flower arrangements.

Representatives from our Society have been pleased to attend various annual meetings. I would like to thank Mr R C Burnett who earlier this year gave us a very interesting demonstration in the repotting of cymbidium orchids.

During the last twelve months this Society has sponsored two annual flower shows. The first being the Dahlia Show at which

we assisted in conjunction with the Maleny School of Arts Committee. The show this year was held on February 12th. **The carpet was designed by Mrs N Thomas and her band of willing helpers and profit amounted to £56/-**.

The Skerman patrons trophy was won by Mrs W Bergann and the Riordan junior patron's trophy by Mrs S Dunstan. Silver vases went to Mrs G Chafer, Miss Joan Gibson and Mrs Watt for champion arrangement, champion flower and champion dahlia respectively.

SPRING FAIR

At the recent Spring Fair held last month our Society once again sponsored the floral section. We help in this way to assist the Ambulance Committee. I feel that our floral section this year was the best ever. One very interesting section being the two foot square garden which was won by Miss Wheatcroft.

The following awards were made

Patrons trophy	Mrs C Waters
Junior patrons trophy	Mrs W Bergann
Champion flower arrangement	Mrs C Waters
Champion flower	Mrs Johnson
Most points in section a-cut flowers	Mrs W Bergann
Section B Floral	Mrs C Waters

Throughout the year members have attended the floral art classes at Landsborough where they were taught the correct method of flower arrangements for which we thank the Adult Education Board.

Our Anzac day wreath this year was made by Mrs Riordan.

During the year the following donations have been made; Dahlia Show, judges fees and prize money £3/18/-, Spring Fair judges fees and trophies £10/10/-, prize for Maleny High School speech night £2/2/-.

We were saddened again this year by the loss of our member Mrs A Penney and other members relatives. Sick members have also been remembered with the sending of cards or flowers.

During our eleven monthly meetings we have held a points system. The trophy this year has been won by Mrs Dunstan.

THANKS

I would like to extend special thanks to our life member and patron (Mr J H Skerman) also Mr K Riordan and Auditor (Mr P Lyons) for their interest and support during the year, also to my secretary and treasurer whose co-operation I have valued very much during my term as President.

To all members who have acted as stewards at our monthly meeting, dahlia show and spring fair, thank you. I would also like to thank Mrs I Mitchell for her excellent press reports.

CONGRATULATED

Mrs W H Newton offered congratulations on the report on behalf of other organisations and guilds mentioning how grateful the Ambulance Committee were to the Society for their help at the Spring Fair.

The treasurer presented the financial statement the adoption of which was seconded by Mr A W Meyers who spoke in glowing terms in the manner in which the statement had been presented.

Mr K Riordan is donating two trophies to be competed for at the forthcoming dahlia show, the exhibits being a bowl of pansies, and three dahlias which must be grown by the exhibitor.

The President thanked Mr Porter for having chaired the meeting and invited all visitors to take part in guessing the "Song Title" exhibit which was won by Mrs W H Newton.

Mrs S Dunstan was the winner for the highest number of points secured during the year and was presented with a pink flower trough.

PRIZE WINNERS

Mr F Lowe and Mrs R A Wagner (Buderim) were the judges for the exhibits, prizes won on the day were; Trough of mixed flowers Mrs Mrs F Porter 1 Mrs S Dunstan 2; Arrangement driftwood and flowers Mrs S Dunstan 1 Mrs G Chafer 2; Wall vase arrangement Mrs J Beacom 1 & 2; Trough suitable for dressing table Mrs M Martin 1 Miss L Wheatcroft 2; Three sweet peas Mrs P Prentis 1 Mrs I Mitchell 2; Two Iceland Poppy Mrs E Mathie 1 Mrs E Mannion 2; One gladioli Mr J Woodman 1 Mrs B Humphries 2; Two lupins Mrs E Mathie 1 Mrs D Cassells 2; Two pansies Mrs J A Grigor 1 Mrs P Prentis 2; One carnation Mrs R Penney 1 Mrs G Chafer 2; Container of shrubs Mrs R Penney 1 Mrs M Martin 2.

Points won Mrs R Penney 15, Mrs M Martin 14, Mrs E Mathie 12, Mrs S Dunstan 11, Mrs P Prentis 11, Mrs J Beacon 10, Mrs G Cassells 7, Mrs G Chafer 7, Mrs B Humphries 6, Mrs F Porter 6, Mr Woodman 6, Mrs J A Grigor 5, Miss Wheatcroft 4, Mrs E Mannion 4, Mrs I Mitchell 3, Mrs Croft 4, Mrs E Mannion 4, Mrs I Mitchell 3 Mrs Pratten 1.

OFFICE BEARERS

Election of office bearers for the ensuing year are Senior Patron Mr J H Skerman; Junior Patron Mr K Riordan; President Mrs R Penney; Senior vice president Mrs B Humphries; Junior vice president Mrs E Hawkins; Secretary Mrs S Dunstan; Treasurer Mrs G Cassells.

After a dainty luncheon was served the monthly meeting was held, where Mrs R Penney presided.

Illustrated books on floral modern art were discussed and the secretary was instructed about procuring some.

A letter was received from the School of Arts Committee requesting the Society to sponsor the dahlia show and February 25th was suggested as a tentative date.

Suggestions by any member who has any ideas for a floral carpet design would be much appreciated by the President.

It was decided to re-affiliate with the Royal Horticultural Society and Dahlia Society of Queensland also to purchase table cloths for the luncheon tables at meetings.

Stewards elected for the next six months were Mrs F Porter, Mrs F Mannion and Mrs W H Rough.

Mrs Smith of Beerwah has offered her garden for the next meeting on October 26th. The Society will hire a bus for the occasion and each member will pay 2/ the balance being paid by the Society. The bus will leave Watson's depot at 10am sharp. Plants were won by Mrs Ekert, Mrs Doyle, Mrs Newton, Mrs Mannion, Mrs Guille, Mrs Mathie and Miss Hawkins.

After a "dainty luncheon" was served the monthly meeting took place. Suggestions were sought for floral carpet designs. Mrs Smith from Beerwah offered her garden for the next meeting on October 26th.
(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICLE (5)

The Nambour Chronicle dated November 12 1965 reports

MALENY

'Forty-five members and visitors recently attended the monthly meeting of the Maleny and District Horticultural Society, and spent a very enjoyable day in the lovely garden, bright with spring flowers, of Mr & Mrs L J Smith Beerwah.

The President (Mrs R. Penney) was in the chair and welcomed back Mrs I Nothling who has been holidaying in Sydney also Mrs A Warne who has been in England for the past six months.

It was decided to continue the points system for exhibits at the monthly meetings and to give two separate trophies, one for floral art and one for cut flowers.

At meetings in future there will be a table exchange of plants, anyone having any plants they wish to dispose of are asked to bring them to the next meeting, as other members might like to have them. Mrs E Hawkins will be in charge of the table.

The Society's senior Patron (Mr John Skerman) celebrated his ninetieth birthday on Saturday last in Brisbane. A sheaf of gladioli made by Mrs G Chafer was sent to him with the members best wishes.

The next meeting will be held at Mrs A Warne's home Witta on November 30.

The exhibits for that day will be; - one Christmas arrangement, one foliage arrangement, one rose, three miscellaneous, one spray fuchsia, one carnation, one gladioli, two geraniums.

Plants were won by Mrs W H Aplin and Mr W Whitnall, and Mrs D Ensbey and Mrs I Mitchell each received a pineapple.

Mrs Bergann thanked Mr & Mrs Smith for inviting the members to their home and giving them so much pleasure in their garden'.

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

LIST OF DONATIONS MADE IN THE GARDEN CLUB CALENDAR YEAR

Made to	Event	Amount
	AUTUMN FAIR	
Maleny School of Arts		£56/-/-
	SPRING FAIR	
Maleny Ambulance		£100/-/-
Maleny High School (Book Prize)		£2/2/-
TOTAL DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR		\$158/2/-

BOM Rainfall records for the years 1964 to 1965

1964 62.7 230.8 594.3 186.3 139.7 27.6 47.0 34.6 167.7 64.3 122.2 110.7 1787.9

1965 183.0 93.2 37.0 107.2 137.2 253.5 184.6 133.0 74.0 115.2 211.3 301.2 1830.4