

THE YEAR IS 1970

Floral Carpet theme “*Captain Cook's Centenary*” Autumn Fair 1970

Convenor/Designer Mrs O Thomas



The photo is provided courtesy of the collection Mrs Daisy Armstrong/Mr Phil Prentis/Mrs Olga Webster.

Life Member

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General Business

Secretary to write to School of Arts for 10 sacks of pine for carpet (rang).

OFFICE BEARERS

Elected at AGM September 1969 to AGM September 1970

Patron
Junior Patron
President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Librarian
Honorary Auditor

Mr J. H. Skerman
Mr A W Webster
Mrs Edna Hawkins
Mesdames B. Humphries and L. M. Rough (re-elected)
Mrs T. Dunstan
D. Prentis
Mrs B Cox

Meetings were held in the homes of

January	QATB Centre
February	QATB Centre
March	Mr & Mrs N Cox Coral Street Maleny
April	Mr & Mrs S Dunstan Witta,
May	Mrs O Thomas with joint hostesses Mesdames Porter and Dougherty
June	Mr & Mrs P Prentis Coral Street
July	Mrs E Martin Booroobin
August	Mr & Mrs A Pratten, Peachester
September (AGM)	Mr & Mrs R Penney
October	Mr & Mrs A Webster
November	Thomas, Porter and Dougherty

Members attending

Noted only as 3 apologies
Noted only as 3 apologies
Noted only as 10 apologies
Noted only as 8 apologies
Noted only as 4 apologies
Noted only as 10 apologies
Noted only as 4 apologies
Noted only as 13 apologies
Noted only as 12 apologies
29 with 4 apologies
26 with 4 apologies

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

Not recorded in any Minutes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1970

Election of Officers (Elected at August meeting)

Life Patron
Junior Patron
President
Vice President(s)

J H Skerman
A W Webster
E Hawkins
T Dunstan
L M Rough
H Penne
D Prentis

Secretary
Treasurer

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held at the home of Mr & Mrs R. PrePenney 29 September, 1970

Opening

Mrs E Hawkins opened the meeting and welcomed visitors, members and friends of past years. Mr A Webster was asked to chair the meeting. He spoke on the rain and its benefits to gardeners and the District in general.

Apologies

Were received from Mrs Rough, Humphries, Jeremy, Francis, Innes, W Lyon, Mr & Mrs Riordan, Mr & Mrs Wagner, Mr & Mrs R Burnett. Moved by Mrs Warne, seconded by M Ferris that apologies be accepted.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous Annual meeting were read and confirmed on the motion of A Hawkins, seconded by O Webster.

Presidents Report

The President Mrs Hawkins gave a very comprehensive report on the years work. The sponsoring of the Dahlia Show and Spring Fair our only two big days of the year and also the stage decorating for Anzac Day. On conclusion Mrs Hawkins thanked her fellow members for their loyal support after which she moved the adoption of her report which was seconded by Mr T Knight who said it was a pleasure to second the report and thanked the Society for all its floral efforts for the various organisations, the SpringFair and concert was up \$30.00 on last year.

Treasurers Report

Mrs Prentis gave a very full report on the years financial statement which showed a credit balance of \$32.84. Mr Turner Buderim Garden Club seconded her report and wished Maleny very good health, good gardening and a whole slice of luck **Retiring Officers**

Mrs Pratten was called on to pass a vote of thanks to the retiring secretary Mrs Dunstan who suitably responded. Mrs J Schafer then thanked the visitors for attending our Annual meeting, Mr Turner again responded on their behalf. Mrs E Hawkins then thanked Mr Webster for his role as chairman for the meeting, Mr Webster responded.

Vote of thanks

Mrs Grigor was called upon to thank Mr & Mrs Penney for the use of their garden for the meeting, Mrs Penney responded.

Trophies

Trophies for the Horticultural members over the period of twelve months was presented by Mrs Turner to T Dunstan (Open and Cut Flowers) & D Prentis (Novice).

Mr Webster came in with his usual joke to fill in a short time.

Advice

Mrs Hollard who is a member of Maleny Horticulture and also a New Zealand Garden Club member said these few words: don't buy seeds and leave them on the mantelpiece, they grow much better in the garden, thank you for the many hours of happy companionship in her stay over here and she will be leaving shortly to return to New Zealand. Mrs Hawkins then asked Mrs Hollard to pass on our greetings to her New Zealand Club.

While members were preparing lunch Mrs Dunstan read the 10 commandments of gardening to the happy gathering. Luncheon was then provided and enjoyed by all

Meeting closed 12 o'clock.

COMPETITION FOR THE MONTH POINTS

January Points

Points for the day

Open Floral		Novice Floral		Cut flowers	
Pratten	5	Prentis	5	Cox	19
Dunstan	8	Cox	3	Prentis	18
				Dunstan	11
				E Hawkins	8
				A Hawkins	1

February Points

Points for the day

Open		Novice	
Mrs Chafer	3	Prentis	3
Mrs Penney	1	Warne	3
Mrs Dunstan	1	E Hawkins	1
Mrs Thomas	5	A Hawkins	1
Mrs Porter	1	B Cox	1
		Mrs Hollard	1

March Points

Points for the day

Floral Open		Floral Novice		Cut flowers	
T Dunstan	10	B Cox	4	T Dunstan	12
J Schafer	6	L Wheatcroft	4	Schafer	9
				A Hawkins	9
				B Cox	6
				E Hawkins	3
				R Morrison	2
				L Wheatcroft	1

April Points

Points for the day Cox 1, - Prentis 3, - Dunstan 10, - G Hawkins 14, - Chafer 4.- Chafer 6, - Prentis 5, - E Hawkins 2, - Dunstan 13.

May Points

Points for the day Awarded as follow

Floral Open		Floral Novice		Cut Flowers	
T Dunstan	10	L Wheatcroft	5	Dunstan	7
		R Morrison	8	Morrison	12
				Chafer	5
				A Hawkins	12
				E Hawkins	1

June Points

Points for the day

Floral Art Open		Floral Art Novice		Cut Flowers	
T Dunstan	10	Morrison	5	Dunstan	11
		Wheatcroft	3	A Hawkins	8
				E Hawkins	3
				R Morrison	7
				B Cox	6
				D Prentis	2

July Points

Points for the day

Cut flowers		Floral Open		Floral Novice	
T Dunstan	10	T Dunstan	3	R Morrison	3
D Prentis	8				
B Cox	7				
D Musk	5				
R Morrison	3				
A Hawkins	8				

August Points

Points for the day

Cut flowers		Floral Open		Floral Novice
Chafer	10	Chafer 5		Prentis 5
Morrison	7			
Prentis	8			

September Points

October Points

Points for the day

Floral Art		Cut flowers	
Francis	5	Prentis	7
Morrison	3	A Hawkins	10
Pratten	6	Madden	3
Madden	3	Pratten	12
		Knight	3
		Francis	2
		Morrison	4
		Wheatcroft	5
		E Hawkins	3

November Points

Points for the day

Floral Art		Cut flowers	
Morrison	5	Warne	12
Wheatcroft	8	Prentis	11
		E Hawkins	4
		Musk, Cox, J Hodgens, Morrison each	3
		G Hodgens	3

NOMINATED FLOWER COMPETITION FOR EACH MONTH

January (for February)

Not recorded

February (for March)

Competition for that day

Cut flowers	Floral Art
Three Miscellaneous	Informal using three dahlias
One Shrub	Arrangement in my favourite container
Best in your garden	
Cactus Dahlia	

March (for April)

Competition for that day

Cut flowers	Floral Art
Three Miscellaneous	Foliage arrangement
Spray of shrub	Arrangement using chrysanthemum
Best in your garden	
Spray of chrysanthemum	

April (for May)

Competition for that day

Cut flowers	Floral Art
Three Miscellaneous	When flowers are scarce
Best in garden	One Flower arrangement
Spray shrub or berry	
One Gerbera (double)	

May (for June)

Competition for that day

Floral Art	Cut flowers
Still Waters	Three Miscellaneous
Dare to be different	One Shrub
	Best in garden
	Three Bulbous

June (for July)

Competition for next meeting

Cut flowers	Floral Art
Three Miscellaneous	Arrangement using one or more camellias
Flowering Shrub	
Best in garden	
Two Sweet peas (distinct)	

July (for August)

Competition for next meeting

Cut Flowers	Floral Art
Three Miscellaneous	One Specimen <u>vase</u>
One Shrub	
Best in your garden	

August (for September AGM)

Flower competition for Annual meeting

Cut flowers
Three bulbous
Six Sweet peas
One Carnations
One Rose
Two stems stocks
Two Pansies

Floral Art
One Green and White arrangement
Vase Sweet peas any foliage
Informal using Arum Lilies

September (for October)

Competitions for that day

Cut flowers
Three Miscellaneous
Spray of flowering shrub
One Gladioli

Floral Art
Two of us
As you like it

October (for November)

Competitions for that day

Cut flowers
Three Miscellaneous
Best in your garden
Shrub
One Lily

Floral Art
Arrangement of lilies
Christmas arrangement

November (for January)

Competitions for that day

Cut flowers
Spray of flowering shrub
Three Miscellaneous
Best flower in my garden
One charm cactus 3-4½" in size
One Charm decorative 3-4½" in size

Floral Art
Oriental Sunshine
Dramatic (Black & Red)

DAHLIA SHOW 1970

Stewards for Dahlia Show - January

Were appointed as follows, *Mrs O Thomas Snr to be in charge of carpet and appoint her own helpers*, Supervising Steward, - Mrs E Hawkins, Dahlia section, - B Humphries & H Penney, - Cut flowers, A Hawkins & M Martin, - Floral Open, - M Ferris & D Prentis, - Floral Novice, - T Dunstan & A Jeremy, - Pot plants, - D Musk, - Hall Steward, - N Pratten.

General Business - November

The Dahlia Show schedule was discussed and all members were satisfied with effort done by Mrs Thomas, Hawkins and secretary. Mrs Chafer moved the the Society order 600 cards from McDonald Ross Toowoomba for our own purposes, this motion was seconded by Mrs Humphries.

Letter from RSL Committee - March

Re decorating stage, Mrs Dunstan and Mrs Prentis to do flowers. Moved J Chafer, seconded R Morrison that secretary write to Mrs M Mathie secretary Sub-Normal Children's and ask them if they would be interested in our Society running the Dahlia and Carpet next year for their funds. Secretary also to write to School of Arts and tell them that we have discussed next Dahlia Show and as the Hall is now free of debt we may run next years Dahlia Show for another local charitable organisation.

Membership Badges - April

Secretary had design for badge for the Society from Wallace Bishop, secretary to write and ask them the price for 50 badges and what rates would apply. Secretary also to write various jewellers and get quotes for a badge for our Society.

Membership Badges - June

Moved J Schafer seconded B Thomas that we order 100 badges from Wallace Bishop as plan approved.

New Business Membership Badges - August

Moved N Pratten, seconded D Hollard that President contact Wallace Bishop re price of badges.

Membership Badges - November

B Cox moved and Thomas seconded that the Society forward a further \$33.67 to Wallace Bishop

Membership Badges - October

Mrs Chafer moved the motion that we forward \$21.00 to Brisbane for badges, seconded Mrs Pratten. Mrs Bergann moved the motion that the \$19.00 still in the bus trip kitty be given to the ordinary account to help pay for badges, Mrs Martin Snr seconded this motion.

A motion moved by Mrs Smerdon and seconded Miss Wheatcroft that we run a street stall for our badge money, the raffle being donated by Mrs Hawkins President.

Mrs Pratten moved that members pay 80¢ for badges, seconded by Mrs Knight.

New Business -

October

Correspondence

Mrs A Hawkins moved that correspondence be read and dealt with, Mrs Knight seconded the motion. Mrs Thomas moved that the Society again donate book to Maleny High School speech night, D Prentis seconded the motion

New Business - October

Mrs Thomas was asked if she would again do carpet for the Dahlia Show next year, her generous answer, yes, for which we do thank her.

LETTER WRITTEN OCTOBER TO THE SUB-NORMAL COMMITTEE

Dear Mrs Mathie,

The Horticultural Society wish me to ask would the Sub Normal Committee be interested in having us sponsor the Dahlia Show for them in the Autumn of 1971 as we feel that the School of Arts are now not in need of the money as they previously were. We would appreciate an answer before our next meeting

Yours Faithfully

H M Dunstan

Hon Sec.

General Business - November

Dahlia Show, Mrs Nothling moved Mrs Knight seconded that the Dahlia Show be held on the 26th February 1971. Patrons Trophy J H Skerman to be 3 miniature Cactus Dahlias, A Webster trophy, Follow the line in driftwood and Dahlias Foliage permissible.

Secretary to write to Mrs Wilcox for judges for Dahlia Show, this motion was made by T Dunstan seconded Miss Francis. Mrs Pratten moved and Mrs Chafer seconded that we again affiliate with R H S of Qld and the Dahlia Society.

SPRING FAIR 1969

General Business - April

Spring Fair date to be September 11th, Mesdames Hawkins and Dunstan to attend Ambulance Ladies Committee meeting and listen to their point of view on afternoon and night flower show.

General Business - May

The Spring Fair Schedule was drawn up and members donated very generously.

General Business - June

Secretary to write to 4NA and Channels 7 & 0 to advertise Spring Fair. Members gave generously to trophies for the Spring Fair.

New Business - July

Moved N Pratten, seconded Mrs Nothling that secretary write to Floral Art Society of Queensland and enquire if they can supply us with two judges for Spring Fair on September 11th.

Stewards for Spring Fair - July

Were appointed as follows, - Cut flowers, B Humphries & H Penney, - Floral Art, D Prentis & D Ensbey, - Pot plants, T Dunstan (tentative), - Supervising Steward, - E Hawkins.

Sponsorship of Spring Fair- July

Moved H Penney, seconded N Pratten that we write to Sub Normal Committee asking if they would like us to sponsor Dahlia Show for them

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Secretary to write to Hilary Penney and thank her for being Princess for the Society at the Street Carnival last year. Secretary to write to School of Arts for 10 sacks of pine for carpet (rang). Letter received re forming Floral Art Group of Queensland, five members to attend.

Opening - May

Mrs E Hawkins (President) opened the meeting and welcomed visitors and members and asked members to observe a minutessilence for the sick and bereaved, especially mentioning our Foundation President Mr Alan Lockwood who had passed away the previous week. Secretary to write a letter to Mrs Lockwood and Lynne expressing our sympathy.

Life Member - April

Moved J Shafer seconded B Cox that we confer Life Membership of this Society on Mrs O Thomas in appreciation of her many efforts designing and laying the floral carpet over the past years.

General Business - March

Moved M Ferris, seconded R Morrison that we again donate a book to Commemoration Service on Anzac day to be placed for the Society by D Prentis.

General Business - June

Mesdames E Hawkins, T Dunstan, & B Thomas to judge gardens and footpaths at Woodford on 29th August 1970.

Advertising - July

Secretary to write to 4NA in reply to their letter re \$2.00 per announcement and explain that we thought it was a free community service

GARDENING HINTS/NOTES

Took place on various diseases and pests in the garden. Also ideas for our proposed bus trip.

General Business - February

Moved Mrs J Chafer, seconded Mrs H Penney that we buy one dozen new rule books for sale to members at cost price, (blank) cents each

Hints

Mrs Pratten then read a hint for aphids. One pound onions, soak for 10 hours make up to 2 gallons put in jam tin full around affected plants after watering first.

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICAL (1)

In a report dated 16th April the Chronicle notes

SOCIETY HONORS MEMBER.

"Life membership of the Maleny and District Horticultural Society has been conferred on Mrs Owen Thomas Snr. for her years of service in designing and laying the floral carpet which is a feature of the annual dahlia show, and for her capable assistance at all its flower shows.

The meeting was held at the home of Mr and Mrs N Cox, and, after welcoming members, the President asked them to

observe a minutes silence for two members, Mrs E Lyon and Mrs M Neill, who had suffered bereavements in that week.

The financial statement showed a credit balance of \$21.07, travelling account \$31.23.

The Society will again place a commemorative book at the Anzac Day service.

The date for the Spring Fair was chosen as September 1. This year, the A W Webster junior Patron trophy is to be for an arrangement using gladioli. The J H Skerman trophy will be awarded for one ranunculus.

Judges for the meeting day's competition were Mesdames M Ferris and N Pratten.

Floral open: T Dunstan 10, J Chafer 6; Floral novice: B Cox 4, L Wheatcroft 4; Cut Flowers: T Dunstan 12, J Chafer 9, A Hawkins 9, B Cox 6, E Hawkins 3, R Morrison 2, L Wheatcroft 1.

Mrs S Dunstan (Witta) offered her garden for the next meeting on April 28.

Competition for that day will be; Three miscellaneous cut flowers, spray of shrub, best flower in garden, spray of chrysanthemums, foliage arrangement, arrangement using chrysanthemums.

Mrs Pratten moved a vote of thanks to Mrs Cox for the use of her home and garden which was carried by acclamation".

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICAL (2)

Another report dated 17th September reads

FINE SPRING FAIR FOR THE AMBULANCE

"The Annual Maleny Spring Fair sponsored by the Maleny and District Horticultural Society was held in the School of Arts on September 11. Proceeds were in aid of the Maleny Q.A.T.B.

This year the fair was a double barrelled function, commencing at 2.00pm with stalls, floral displays and afternoon teas.

The doors were closed at 4.00pm and re-opened at 5.30. The flowers still on display, were later sold, and at 8.00pm a oneact play by the Maleny Rural Youth opened the concert.

Dances by visiting artists Julie Gray, Kim Gray, Heather Pratten and Rosanna Frizzo and local artist Karen Lawley interspersed the programme, and other items were presented by the Maleny Girl Guides (a bracket of songs), the Maleny CWA entertainment group (a sketch entitled "Hat Shop"); a bracket of songs by Mrs Thomas and a hilarious sketch by the Maleny Apex Club "The new Recruit".

The prolonged dry weather and frequent drying winds reduced the number of entries somewhat, but there was still asurprising number of good blooms and floral art arrangements on display.

Image: Looking at the fine display of flowers at the Spring Fair held in Maleny in aid of the Ambulance centre were (left to right): Les Deans, Brenden Keleher, Adrian Lewin, Mrs Ron Keleher, Mrs Fred Porter, Mrs Sinclair and Mrs Dougherty.



Awards - Truss Floribunda Rose: Mrs Pratten; Rose: Mrs G Hawkins; Gladioli: G Hawkins; Camellia: Mrs Pratten; Six stems sweet peas: Mrs Bergann; Three sweet peas multiflora: Mrs Bergann 1, Mrs Pratten 2; Two Gerberas single: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs R Morrison 2; Two double Gerberas: Mrs D Prentis 1, P Waters 2; One cut stock: Mrs Bergann 1, Mrs Mrs G Chafer 2; Two stems stock: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs Penney 2; Geraniums: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs Pratten 2; Calendulas: G Chafer 1, Mrs Penney 2; Pearl Lupins: Mrs Bergann 1 & 2; Hartwegii Lupins: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs Penney 2; Three Iceland poppies: G Chafer 1, Mrs D Prentis 2; one ranuncula: JH Skerman trophy: Mrs Pratten 1, Mrs Bergann 2; Pansies:

Mrs Pratten 1 and 2; Snapdragons: G Hawkins 1, Mrs D Prentis 2; Crucifix orchids: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs Thomas 2; Candytoft: Matron Donohue, Carnation: President E Hawkins trophy Matron Donohue 1 & 2; The prize winning flower in this class also won champion flower.

Six bulbous flowers: Mrs Bergann 1, Mrs z Pratten 2; Three small arum lillies: Mrs E Hawkins 1 & 2; Three large arum lillies: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs T Knight 2; Mrs M

Bergann trophy, container of daisies: Mrs GChafer 1, Mrs Bergann 2; Container azaleas: Mrs D Prentis 1, Mrs D Musk 2; Container azaleas: Mrs Pratten 1, Mrs Penney 2; Container phlox: Mrs R Morrison; Bunch violets with leaves: Mrs G Hawkins 1, Mrs Pratten 2; Three distinct

shrubs: Mrs F Knight; One orchid bloom: Mrs Albrecht 1, Mrs E Hawkins 2; Spray

fuchsia: Mrs D Ensby 1, Mrs R Morrison 2; Flower not provided for: Mrs Penney 1, Mrs T Knight 2.

W Burnett trophy, miniature cactusgarden: Miss L Wheatcroft 1, Mrs

Pratten 2; T Dunstan trophy, "Alone" (one flower, bloom or truss any one foliage) R Morrison 1, Mrs Pratten 2; R Morrison trophy,

arrangement without flowers: L Wheatcroft 1, Mrs Thomas 2; P E Knight trophy, "Sunset": Mrs Pratten 1, Mrs Thomas 2; V Dougherty trophy, "Simplicity" free

expression: Mrs Pratten 1, Mrs Thomas 2; Miss J D Gibson trophy "Titled" Mrs Pratten 1, Mrs T Knight 2; This arrangement (Mrs Pratten) won champion arrangement. J Chafer trophy "Charming" arrangement in pink and grey: Miss Francis 1, Mrs Pratten 2; N Pratten trophy

“Accent on curves”: Mrs Thomas 1 & 2; E Hawkins trophy “Still Waters” (rushes and reeds) L Wheatcroft 1, Mrs R Morrison 2; B Humphries trophy “Autumn Glory” Mrs Thomas; B Walker trophy “Spring Elegance” Mrs Thomas 1, J Chafer 2; Class 12 Tom Knight trophy trough flowers: Mrs D Ensbey 1, Mrs Thomas 2; A W Webster (Junior Patron) trophy using gladioli: Mrs S Dunstan 1, Mrs Pratten 2; Mrs G Thomas trophy “Dining by Candlelight” L Wheatcroft 1, Mrs Pratten 2; H Penney trophy black and white arrangement J Gibson 1, Mrs Thomas 2.

Maidenhair fern: Mrs R Morrison 1 & 2; Plant in flower or berry: Mrs R Morrison 1 & 2; Begonia: Mrs R Morrison; St Paulia: Mrs W Collard 1 & 2; Foliage plant: Mrs R Morrison 1 & 2; Trailing plant on ladder: Mrs R Morrison.
Cabbage: Mrs Hodgson 1, Mrs Pratten 2; Pumpkin: Mr I Lowe 1 & 2; Lettuce: F Sommer 1; Three beetroot: Mrs R Morrison; Three carrots: Miss I Bryce 1 & 2; Six potatoes: Miss I Bryce 1 & 2; bunch Eschalots: Mrs Pratten 1, Matron Donohue 2; Queensland nuts: I Bryce; Strawberries: D Blair 1 & 2; Pineapple: W Adams; Grapefruit: I Bryce 1 & 2; Oranges: Miss I Bryce; Lemons: Mrs Pratten 1, I Bryce 2; Mandarins: I Bryce 1 & 2; Three tomatoes: I Bryce 1 & 2; Eggs: I Bryce 1 & 2; Three fruit(any other variety); J Coombes 1, I Bryce 2; Any other variety: I Bryce 1 & 2.

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICAL (3)

An Extract from the Nambour Chronicle dated 8th October 1970 reads

MALENY SCHOOL OF ARTS DEBT CLEARED

“It was announced at the Annual meeting of the Maleny School of Arts Committee that the outstanding debt on the School of Arts has now been cleared. A celebration Ball will be held on October 30 at which the final amount of \$360.33 will be handed over to the Bank manager.

Owing to the illness of the President the report was delivered by Mr R C Allan-Walters, Vice President of the Committee. The report was a wholly cheerful one, and after announcing the ball would be free of debt Mr Allan-Walters went on to say that the past year had been a great financial success. Commencing with a debit of \$7.76 in the Committee account, and also a debit of \$660.33 in the trustee account, the year was finished with a credit balance of \$402.45 in the Committee account, a savings bank deposit of \$342.50 and a debit of \$360.33 in the trustee account. The latter amount is to be handed over at the Celebration Ball. Owing to the lack of patronage it was decided to close down the picture venture. This took effect in January. Last years street Carnival held in conjunction with the Ambulance Committee proved very successful both socially and financially.

During the year two functions were held in aid of the School of Arts----the debutante Ball in May and the N A T S play, also in May. The Ball was a very successful event, and six debutants were presented to Mr Fletcher Minister for Education, Mrs W J Burnett who trained the debutantes was thanked for giving her time and talent to training the girls. The School of Arts also benefited from the Dahlia Show run by the Maleny & District Horticultural Society, and from contributions received from the badminton club.

The latter amount added to over \$200.00 and the Vice President expressed the Committee's gratitude to both organisations”.

(Source Nambour Chronicle)

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICAL (4)

On the 15 October 1970 is was reported

OPEN CLASSES FOR FLORAL ART

“This year Maleny and District Horticultural Society has abolished the novice class for floral art and all work will be judged in open classes. Winners in the separate sections at the annual meeting of the Society held recently at the home of Mr and Mrs R. Penney were:

Mrs S. Dunstan floral art (open) and cut flowers; - Mrs P Prentis floral art (novice).

Mrs Hollard, who will soon return to New Zealand, thanked the club for many happy hours she has spent with it's members. She will carry greetings from the Maleny Club to the New Zealand Club garden to which she belongs. The meeting consisted of about 42 members and visitors, some of them one time members who had been invited to attend the annual meeting. Mr A. Webster is again Junior Patron and he acted as chairman for the meeting. Mr J. H. Skerman is a Life Member and Senior Patron, Mrs E Hawkins was elected President; Mrs W. Rough & Mrs T Dunstan, Vice President(s); Mrs R. Penney Secretary and Mrs P. Prentis Treasurer.

The treasurer announced a credit balance of \$32.84. Following the annual meeting, an ordinary meeting was held.

Winners of the competition work were: Floral art, Miss Wheatcroft 5 Mrs Morrison 5, Mrs Prentis 3; OPEN – Mrs Pratten 11, Mrs Ferris 13”.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1970

**The Annual Meeting was held at the home of Mr & Mrs R. Penney, Coral Street, Maleny on
29 September, 1970**

The President for this year was Mrs Edna Hawkins, the Secretary Mrs Hilda Penny, the Patron Mr Allan Webster.

In this particular year the main recipient of the fundraising efforts was the Maleny Ambulance Brigade. It cost \$2.00 to be affiliated with the Queensland Dahlia Society and \$2.00 for the Royal Horticultural Society of Queensland for the year 1970/71.

- A book was donated to the School for the speech night.
- The ladies did the flowers for the RSL on Anzac Day.
- The School of Arts Committee organised Paddy's Market in which the ladies participated.
- Ruth Webster was asked to be the Horticultural Queen in the Street Carnival.

ARTICLES IN THE NAMBOUR CHRONICAL (5)

December 3 1970 it was reported

HORTICULTURE

"A good-neighbour arrangement between three adjoining garden lovers made the venue for the November meeting of the Maleny and Districts Horticultural Society a three-fold feast for the 26 flower enthusiasts who attended. The three were those of Mr & Mrs O. Thomas, Mr & Mrs F. Porter and Mr & Mrs Dougherty all of Mary River Road.

Further arrangements were made for the dahlia show which will be held on Friday February 26. So far 17 entries have been received for the floral art section.

Points won for floral art during November were, - Mrs Morrison 5, Miss Wheatcroft 3. Cut flowers, Mrs Warne 12, Mrs P. Prentis 11, Mrs E Hawkins 4, Mrs Morrison 3, Mrs J. Hodgins 3, Mrs N Cox 3, Mrs D Musk 3, Mrs G Hodgins 2. Mrs J. Grigor moved a vote of thanks to the joint hostesses.

The next meeting of the Society will be at the home of Mrs Bergann, Witta. On this occasion the competitions will be floral art (oriental sunshine) and dramatic (black & red), cut flowers, spray of flowering shrub, three miscellaneous, best flower in garden, one charm cactus 3-4.", one charm decorative dahlia 3-4".

LIST OF DONATIONS MADE IN THE GARDEN CLUB CALENDAR YEAR 1970

Made to	Event	Amount
	AUTUMN FAIR	
Maleny School of Arts	Not discovered	\$
	SPRING FAIR	
Maleny Ambulance	Not discovered	
Maleny High School Speech Night		
TOTAL DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR		\$

BOM Rainfall records for the years 1969 to 1970

<u>1969</u>	25.2	136.6	140.9	44.5	420.1	28.3	67.6	192.3	44.0	278.8	143.6	123.4	1645.3
<u>1970</u>	419.6	266.5	93.0	141.3	18.6	16.1	27.9	36.6	44.9	63.1	162.6	728.9	2019.1

