

# Garden Highlights, November 2019



Photos: Left: Giant Spear Lily  
*Doryanthes palmeri*.

Right: Forest Bells *Mackaya bella*.

## The Giant Spear Lily

***Doryanthes palmeri*** is in bloom. It is native to Northern NSW and the Queensland coast. Each giant rosette of leaves flowers once in its lifetime. After flowering, the plant produces new, small rosettes. We are lucky to have several plants growing here so we don't have to wait 8 years before the young rosettes reach maturity and flower again.

**Forest Bells *Mackaya bella*,** from the summer rainfall evergreen forests of southern Africa, grows well in deep shade. If you look closely at the leaves, you may see pimples where the side veins join the central vein.

The Conservatory opens weekdays  
10 am - 4 pm.

The Tea House is open every day.



## What's On in November 2019

Themed guided walk: 'A spice-filled journey around the Gardens',  
Sunday 10 November 2:00 pm,  
Gold coin donation.

'Kangaroo Grassland to Geelong Botanic Gardens & Eastern Park'  
Guest Speaker, Ian Rogers, Monday  
11 November 5:30 for 6:00 pm. \$5  
members or \$10 non-members,  
includes supper. Bookings essential.

Discovery Table: Sunday  
17 November 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

Friends Christmas Fair, weekend  
30 November and 1 December.

Free Guided Walks: Wednesdays  
11:00 am, Sundays 2:00 pm.

Friends Nursery also open:  
Wednesdays 9:30 am - 12:30 pm.

The Curiosity Cabinet has a display of  
Cactus and other plants of dry places.

Bookings: [www.friendsgbg.org.au](http://www.friendsgbg.org.au)

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