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February 2015 Newsletter

General Meeting Times

The next TENPS meeting will be held on *Thursday March 19th 2015*. Meetings are usually held at 7:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month at Marrara Christian College, on the corner of Amy Johnson Avenue and McMillans Road. The meeting is followed by a chance to meet with other members and access the TENPS reference Library over a cuppa. Bring your plants along to swap, sell or have identified. The guest speaker presentation commences around 8pm. All are welcome.

Field trips are usually on the weekend following the Meeting, details provided in the newsletter or at the meeting.

What's in Flower?



Cissus adnata photographed by Sarah Hirst at Douglas River.



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Upcoming TENPS Speakers

March 19th: Russell Dempster will share his recent New Zealand trip.

April 16th: TBA

TENPS Field Trip & other events

March 21st: Field trip to Rozak House at Lake Bennett: a unique and self-sufficient property on the hilltop overlooking the lake. The aim of the trip is to produce a plant list for the Rozak family. *Meet at the Chinner Road - Heathers Lagoon T/O at 9.00am, BYO lunch. The house is built on located on a sandstone ridge and the property is quite rocky and steep in parts.*

April 18th: TBA

NT Field Naturalist Club Events

Monthly Meetings are held at **Charles Darwin University**, in **Blue Building 1, Room 1.54** Business Faculty, usually on the second Wednesday of every month (except January), starting at 7:45 pm.

Field Trips are a great way to explore the best of Darwin area's nature spots in the company of like-minded people. These are usually held on the Sunday following the monthly meeting and often related to the topic of this meeting. Additional outings are held from time to time, and everyone is welcome.

TENPS Committee Meeting

Committee meetings are held every second month and members are most welcome to attend. The next committee meeting will be on Wednesday **1st April 2015** at 7.30 pm. Venue Parap Electorate Office.

Goyder Day: 5th February 2015

The National Trust puts on the Goyder Day event on the foreshore Deckchair Cinema on the anniversary of Goyder landing in Darwin.



A re-enactment of George Woodroffe Goyder arrival, coming ashore and placing the first peg to begin the city we know as Darwin.



MC, Daryl Manzie provided a historical commentary during the re-enactment and Arafura Wind Ensemble provided music.



Trevor Horman, President of the National Trust acknowledged traditional owners welcomed guests and thanked sponsors; FYFE Earth Partners and Earl James & Associates.

Terry O'Neill, from the Waterfront Development Corporation, outlined plans for the proposed Goyder's Camp Park. Trevor Menzies talked about the formation of historical attributes to hundreds. Belinda Osborne, from the Place Names Committee explained how the Moonta crew names are linked to Darwin street names.

President of Top End Native Plant Society, David Liddle told of the botanical significance of the expedition and the plants collected by botanists Schultz father and son and the TENPS stall displayed replicas of the drawings produced during the trip by botanical artist William Webster Hoare.

Myristica insipida, *Jasminum molle*, all of which were illustrated by Hoare, plus examples of *Cyclophyllum schultzii* and the mangrove *Camptostemon schultzii* which were named for Schultz.



Robert Sarib (above, left) spoke about the advancing professionalism of Surveying Spatial Sciences Institute (SSSI) and Surveyor General Craig Sandy, Goyder's legacy: surveying the Territory today. Trevor Horman closed proceedings by thanking every one.

SSSI and the National Trust are planning to continue to support Goyder Day in future and planning for next year's event will begin around September 2015, and TENPS will look forward to being involved with future events.



Part of the TENPS display, photograph by Dave Liddle.

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TENPS members at the stall, photograph by Dave Liddle.



Premna serratifolia photographed by Sarah Hirst at Territory Wildlife Park.

Top End Native Plant Society also brought along potted examples of *Crinum angustifolium*,

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