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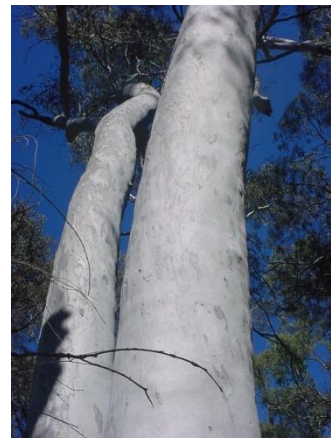
Our Native Garden Nursery Inc

Season's Greetings and Happy Holidays to all.

Traditionally this festival is about birth and new beginnings... Dan is very proud of these babies –



beautiful Brittle Gums *Eucalyptus mannifera*. Its main attraction is its smooth white trunk, often mottled with patches of grey, which changes to a pink colour in late spring or summer. These colours are particularly pronounced when the trunk is wet after summer rains. It makes hollows for birds and furry creatures.



Our Native garden Nursery will be **CLOSED** Thurs 22 Dec to open again on Tuesday 3 January 2017.

Local Native Plants WIN with \$28,000 funding.

Our Native Garden is extremely pleased to announce to our network that we have received funding from the Commonwealth Department of Employment Work For The Dole Program through Madec Australia. It is a project where everybody wins:

- Jobseekers get hands-on experience in a real work situation plus learning in a dedicated environmental organisation
- The nursery gets a lift in the quality and standards of the facility through physical additions and increase in it's capacity to make lots more local native plants
- The community gets improvements to this important Not For Profit resource
- The environment gets more plants to home and feed more local native creatures such as birds, butterflies, lizards, possums, echidnas and more!

The funding will cover wages for our wonderful Coordinator Daniel Seymour and provide materials and tools for constructing a sheltered all-weather work area facility for potting up in the nursery, erection of a second propagation igloo, construct metal plant tables for plant stock and make lots more local native plants.

Watch your local media for the official public announcement soon.

Annual General Meeting Monday 6 February 2017. Meeting is at 1.30, do join us for lunch from 12.30, delicious and suits almost all diets.

We are honoured with Guest Speaker the delightful Anne Stelling Facilitator of Wodonga Urban Landcare Network. Anne will speak on 'When is a plant more than 'just a plant'? Why is 'biodiversity' so much more than just 'diversity'? What's the difference between a 'corridor' and an avenue of trees? And what does this all mean for our urban parks and gardens? Anne will help us to understand what makes some plants desirable and others undesirable when planting for biodiversity, especially along the creeklines throughout Albury-Wodonga.



Volunteer



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All sorts of minor but really important administration tasks using Gmail, WORD, our printer and on the phone. Or could you look after our WORDPRESS website and e postings?

Can you help out with a task or two for about 1 hour per week please?

We supply everything you need. We guarantee you will have fun working with us and we give you plants to take home to your garden.



**Latest plant list for December 2016 to February 2017 is attached.
Order now for pick up and planting from autumn 2017.**

We are very proud of our Nursery team who this year have produced 45 species and nearly 10,000 plants ready for sale. More species may be ready to be included in the February or March Plant Lists.