

February 2026 Visit – Rippon Lea Gardens



The last visit for the Probus year is a garden tour of Rippon Lea on 17th February. Darren, who is the head gardener, will be taking us around. The cost is \$5 for National Trust members or \$20 if not. We will meet at the entrance at 10.30am. We can have a coffee there and then start the tour at 11am. It will take about an hour. If you bring a picnic lunch we can have it in the grounds or on the verandah of the house overlooking the tennis court that recently

featured in the Yvonne Goolagong story. If you want a house tour it would cost \$10 and needs to be booked separately for the afternoon. There will be a signup sheet at the next meeting and I will need to know numbers going at that stage. Payment can be made by Bank Deposit or by cash at reception on the day of the visit.

Parking can be difficult but the Ripponlea railway station is about 5 minutes walk again and the 67 tram is close by

This will be my last visit as Visit Coordinator. Thank you all for coming on these visits. A particular thanks to Gail and Rod Smith, Dedrie and Jim Green this year and Carol and Jim Studebaker and Ross Worboys who helped last year. Along with Anne St George they came up with a variety of places to learn about and to enjoy. I am sure the new Visit Coordinator and her team will find yet more new places to visit. Please come along and find out.

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2026 Visit Program – Dedrie Green Visits coordinator

During 2026/7 I (Dedrie Green) will take over the role of Visits Co-ordinator from Susan Harraway, who has done a marvellous job over the previous years. Instigated by Neil Pearce and followed by Susan, we have had a Visits Committee, where individual committee members organised one or two visits each, thus spreading the load for the year. This has worked very well. Thus, I am asking for a few volunteers to help with organising a visit or two this year.