

NORTH EAST FOREST ALLIANCE

NSW Environment Centre, 39 George St., The Rocks. 2000. Ph 02 2474 206 Fx 02 2475 945

3 December, 1992.

Mr Christopher Macfarlane,
Events Officer,
Royal Botanic Gardens,
Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney. 2000.
per fax 02 251 4403

Dear Chris,

Re: Use of the Domain

I write to formally thank you for your co-operation and assistance over the last few weeks during NEFA's occupation of the Domain for a combined NEFA / Bundjalung Nation Tent Embassy.

The forbearance of yourself, other members of staff and the members of Trust was greatly appreciated.

I am pleased that you were able to assist members of NEFA who camped briefly at Mrs Macquaries Road, with the provision of access to toilet facilities and bins for recycling. Thank you very much.

I understand that the requirements of the Trust and the verbal and written agreements between you and I were honoured.

NEFA is pleased that our sojourn in Sydney was successful in that the Natural Resources Package of legislation was withdrawn and the notion of 'resource security' for the timber industry rejected by the public and the Legislation Committee.

Let's hope that the next step, now long overdue, of the creation of a secure, comprehensive and representative system of nature conservation reserves across NSW will soon be achieved.

Thank you again for your assistance.

Season's Greeting! and all the best for the New Year.

Yours sincerely,



John R. Corkill
Sydney Co-ordinator

NOTES ON PARLIAMENTARY LIAISON FOR N.E.F.A. - Spring Session '92

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Friendly political contacts:

Anne Jones 02 230 2073
Peter Macdonalds office (Ind. MP Manly)

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Clover Moore's office (Ind. MP Bligh)

Simon Disney 02 230 2858 02 230 2871
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Richard Jones office Democrat MLC

Green leaning ALP MLC's 'on side'

Anne Symmonds 02 230
Meredith Burgmann
Paul O'Grady

Suggested NEFA / NCEC meetings with MP's for pursuit a.s.a.p.
Re: Nat. Res. Package and RAC OGF recommendation implementation

ALP: (* phone / fax nos)

Pam Allan & Caucus committee members: Craig Knowles, Bryce Gaudry,
John Murray, Ernie Page, Andrew Refshauge,
Bob Martin & ALP forests staffer Virginia Knox (230 2839),
Paul Whelan, Pat Rogan, Anne Symmonds & other 'green' MLC's

NATS

Gary West, Duncan Gay MLC (Chairman NSW Nat Party), George Souris,
Wendy Machin, Robert Webster, [Tony Windsor]

LIBS

Chris Hartcher, Michael Photios, Phillip Smiles, Brad Hazzard, Ted
Pickering, Kevin Rizzoli (Speaker)

INDS

Clover Moore, Peter Macdonald, John Hatton? [TW see NP]

+ any others you know and want to add e.g. John Mills, Stan Neilly?

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* See 'List of Members' published by NSW Parliament. Ph 02 230 2111

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NORTH EAST FOREST ALLIANCE

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17 November, 1992.

Mr Christopher Macfarlane,
Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust,
Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney. 2000.

Dear Chris,

Re: Temporary camp - Mrs Macquarie's Road

I refer to my letter of Friday 13th November, 1992.

You would be aware that the Bundjalung Nation Embassy was closed and the site vacated as planned due to the Government's dumping of the 'Natural Resources' Package. Thank you for your co-operation.

I understand that you spoke today with some people in Mrs Macquarie's Road who were previously at the Embassy in the Domain. These people plan to stay overnight prior to returning to the north coast. It's intended that they will be gone in the next few days. Your requests to protect the trees in the area will be respected.

We'd be grateful if you could provide 4 bins for recycling rubbish.

We've spoken again with The Rocks Police and NSW Special Branch and explained the current situation.

Thank you again for your assistance and co-operation.

I can be contacted on 2474 206 w or after hours on 660 3496.

Yours sincerely,

John R. Corkill
Co-ordinator.



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NORTH EAST FOREST ALLIANCE and BUNDJALUNG NATION

C/- NSW Environment Centre, 39 George St., The Rocks. 2000. Ph 02 2474 206 Fx 02 2475 945

13 November, 1992.

Mr Christopher Macfarlane,
Events Officer, Royal Botanic Gardens,
Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney. 2000.
per fax 02 251 4403

Dear Chris,

Re: Use of the Domain for Information Displays

I refer to our conversation earlier today. I apologise for not having made an application to the RBGaD Trust prior to this. I regret any concern and anxiety which may have been caused by this communication breakdown.

May I belatedly apply for permission to use the Domain for the display of information about the Fahey Government's 'Natural Resources Package'.

This involves the installation of three tents and a teepee and the display of information boards. It will also involve people who are staffing the displays during the day, camping in the tents on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

It is anticipated that the Domain will be vacated by 12 noon Monday 16 November, 1992.

I have conveyed to our co-ordinators on the site the requirements we discussed - particularly to protect trees: no climbing! and no banners. No further tent pegs are planned to be driven. Your Mr Hayman could attend and provide advice nonetheless. Mr Aidan Ricketts (Ned) will be on site for liaison as necessary.

A mobile phone on loan to us could be used as a point of contact viz: 018 279 081. We will leave the area neat and tidy. All rubbish will be collected.

We have styled the information displays and tents as 'embassies' to represent our concerns and our absent colleagues to Members of the NSW Parliament who are considering the five draconian Natural Resource Bills. Both aboriginal people and environmentalists are involved in the embassy. Many of these people come from the far north coast of NSW known traditionally as the Bundjalung Nation. This co-operation is a 'first' and augurs well for the future.

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KEMPSEY FOREST MISMANAGEMENT 88 -91

INTRODUCTION

This document is sourced and referenced from the Forestry Commission's (FC) own documents relating to the Kempsey Management Area.

Kempsey Management Plan (1988)
 Management Plan Annual Report (1988/89)
 Management Plan Annual Report (1989/90)
 Management Plan Annual Report (1989/91)

FIRST CUTTING CYCLE YIELDS

"A complete field assessment of available merchantable timber volume and growing stock has not been undertaken for the Area." (1988, 1.3.2.2)

"Within the whole Area, approx 21% of the SF area carries unlogged hardwood timber stands. Of this, 5% of the total SF area is unsuitable for harvesting through economic or environmental constraints, the balance (16%) is suitable for hardwood logging." (1988, 1.4.2.1)

"The overall 1978 Plan strategy for maintaining timber production was to complete the planned logging of generally unlogged stands in the Upriver Forests in the present cutting cycle, and to defer logging of the previously selectively logged Coastal Forests generally until the next cutting cycle to allow maximum development of these stands." (1988, 1.5.2.1)

"Further adjustments in the adopted quota reduction regime shall be made as necessary to conform with the estimated long term sustained yield available in the next cutting cycle." (1988, 2.2.2.1)

"Volume estimates of substantially unlogged areas are based on areas of forest type by expected yields without intensive field investigations." (1988, 1.5.2.1.2)

"A more detailed revision of net unlogged areas available for logging is desirable early in the plan period, including review of areas excluded from logging due to inaccessibility or management restraints." (1988, 1.5.2.1.2)

"Continuation of the review and monitoring will be required for effective implementation of the timber production strategy." (1988, 1.5.2.1.2)

"The bulk of the remaining mature sawlog resource is located in less economic areas where low stumpage value is reduced by steep terrain, more expensive road construction and longer snig and log haulage distances. in steeper Upriver forests high road construction and logging costs reduce economic margins." (1988, 1.8.2.1)

"In 1987 the following regime of quota reductions designed to reduce quotas to long term sustainable levels was advised to industry:-

Year / Quota (m3 N)	1987	1988	1992	1995	1997
Carrai Forests					
Kookaburra	6 140 (1)	(bought by Allen Taylor)		(1) terminated in 1995	
Allen Taylor	6 460 (2)	12 600	12 600	(2) transferred in 1995	
Remainder of MA					
Allen Taylor	20 840	15 630	11 720	18 180 (2)	13 630
Total	33 440	28 230	24 320	18 180	13 360

Please extend on our behalf, to all staff at the RBG, and to the members of the Trust, an invitation to come and view the displays, read our information leaflets and meet with environmentalists and aboriginal people from the Bundjalung Nation.

Please allow me to confirm in writing my advice of earlier today. I have spoken to the NSW Police Service: Sgt Graham of The Rocks Police Station (265 6333) who is content with our assurances as to the short term and non-violent nature of our embassies. Sgt Graham may have contacted you already, if not perhaps you could telephone him on the above number.

The NSW Special Branch officers also interviewed me and are fully briefed. They were assured that there would be no attempt to block access to the Parliament House or otherwise interfere with the security of the House. Uniformed and Special Branch Police have my name and contact phone number.

Those staffing the information displays will not interfere with other users of the domain.

As I indicated to you when we spoke, NEFA is a community based organisation with limited resources. We rely wholly on donations, and limited fundraising. We have no paid staff. We were not aware of the likelihood of fees and charges being made for the use of the Domain.

While we would like to meet these fees, because of the drain on our resources being so far from home (far north coast), the costs involved in the production of our displays, and the tremendous costs of our legal actions to date to defend 'old growth' forests, endangered species and wilderness areas at risk, NEFA is unable to do so.

May I make through you, a request to the Trust, for the waiving of any fees or charges that may have otherwise have been incurred, please?

Thank you again for your assistance and co-operation. If necessary I can be contacted after hours on 660 3496 or on Saturday 14/11/92 on 2474 285.

Yours sincerely,

J.R. Corkill
John R. Corkill

Mr MARTIN: The honourable member is a bigger fool than I thought he was if he knocks unions and people in the industry. The workers of this State have to carry the burdens of the decisions made in this Parliament. The Parliament will decide what is in the best interest of the people of New South Wales. We will not allow the bureaucracy and members opposite to hijack the intent of the laws passed by this Parliament. Any action taken by members opposite for short-term gain will ensure their long-term demise. In the spirit of co-operation we extend to others I inform the House that there will be only two speakers from the Opposition. We will ensure that people in the timber industry have a future.

Mr JEFFERY (Oxley) [9.24]: The timber industry in New South Wales has had a caning from the mob opposite. It is fed up to the back teeth with legislation and misguided criticism. Fifteen pieces of legislation control the timber industry. This has caused confusion and anger. The endangered fauna legislation brought forward by the Labor Party has helped to close down the industry. Twice already the forestry industry has almost closed down. In the present situation there are wider implications. There is a flow-on effect in many industries such as transport, engineering and agriculture. The introduction of the endangered fauna legislation has seriously limited the ability of the Department of Conservation and Land Management to process applications for processes involving tree destruction on protected land because of the need to consider the effect that an activity will have on protected fauna. Officers of CALM have no option but to request expert opinion and information on a range of matters. CALM has a legal obligation to call for a fauna impact statement. But what about the jobs? The loss of jobs on the North Coast in my electorate, the electorate of Myall Lakes and other electorates right through to the Queensland border will be a direct result. The Labor Party has a game plan to mount a cheap political campaign with the Independent greens. However, I must pay full credit to the honourable member for Tamworth for his common sense in supporting the coalition Government on this matter.

Where were Labor Party members when jobs were threatened? What a bunch of hypocrites! The honourable member for Port Stephens was presented with a baseball bat at the demonstration out the front today. He said: "We will support the legislation. Trust me. Trust me". When he was asked about amendments he said, "Oh, we are going to have a meeting". But there are no amendments. I do not know where that baseball bat is now. The honourable member has a forked tongue. He has been rolled by the looney left once again. Where are his principles? What a hypocrite! How can a Labor member say he stands for the worker when he is prepared to support the ridiculous legislation that went through last year, the endangered fauna protection Act. He would allow jobs to be lost for the sake of not disturbing the odd possum. Some extreme environmentalists would oppose every form of development. Those people are parasites. They want to grow their marijuana up in the hills. They want to lock it up in wilderness areas and they want to get rid of the workers. The extreme environmentalists use resources as other members of the community do. They use toilet paper. They build houses out of timber. They have picket fences and use the products of the timber industry.

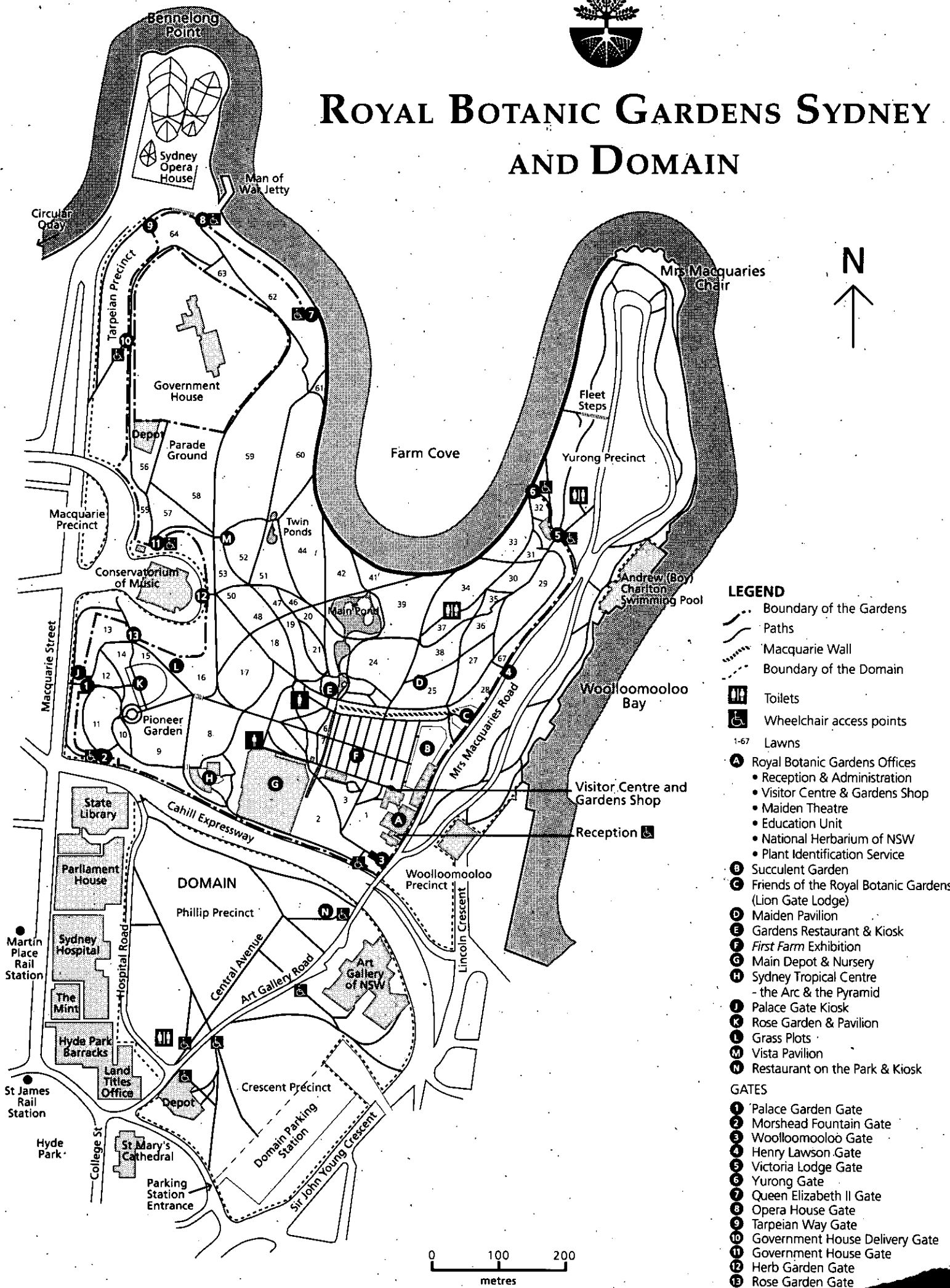
The honourable member for Manly has a wooden desk in his room. Why does he not get rid of it? Because he is a hypocrite. Extreme conservationists oppose people who invest money in an industry. They oppose decent, hardworking people who provide resources by working in the industry. They are sucking the life blood out of my electorate and country communities. They contribute not one brass razoo to those areas. Who fights the bush fires? Who helps to protect the timber and the fauna? Not the greenies. Coalition members stand for country people and country jobs. We should

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF LANDS
CONTROLLED BY THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS AND DOMAIN TRUST

- . Vehicles must be parked only in the parking areas provided unless otherwise specifically authorised.
- . When vehicular access is authorised, the Trust disclaims liability for any third party personal injury or property damage claims which may arise from vehicles being driven or transported on its lands.
- . Only authorised structures and advertising will be permitted.
- . Items must not be attached to trees, buildings or other fixed structures.
- . Fireworks and rock bands are not permitted.
- . No vending of goods or services or collections of money shall take place without prior approval.
- . Authorised catering services must comply with all statutory health requirements.
- . The use of barbecues, other than those provided permanently on-site, needs prior approval. Barbecue residues must be collected in drip trays and portable barbecues must be sufficiently elevated to prevent radiated heat from damaging the grass.
- . Hot water, oil or fat must not be poured on the grass.
- . All litter must be removed or placed in the bins provided.
- . Organisers and participants must comply with any request made of them by Royal Botanic Gardens staff prior to, during, and after the activity.
- . Close liaison must be maintained with the Gardens staff over the proposed use of the area concerned.
- . The approval of any other government agency that may be required is the applicant's responsibility.
- . Any damage resulting from an approved activity shall be recompensed by the applicant.
- . A public liability insurance policy to a specified amount indemnifying the Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust and all its employees must be arranged by the applicant. Evidence of this policy must be provided at least three working days before the event.
- . A fee may be levied for use of the Trust's lands and facilities. A bond may also be required as security against possible damage and non-compliance with any condition of occupation. Separate cheques, made payable to Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust, will be required at least three working days before the event.
- . An application for the use of Trust lands submitted at short notice may incur a penalty loading or be refused.
4 WEEKS PRIOR NOTICE IS REQUIRED.
- . In the event of cancellation, a cancellation fee equivalent to the Trust's administrative costs up to the time of notification may be levied. Late cancellations may incur forfeiture of the total fee or 50% thereof, at the discretion of the Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens.
- . Should occupation of the site extend beyond the agreed period, or should the function be larger or involve additional structures and servicing, or otherwise vary from the information provided to the Trust, an additional fee may be levied on completion of the function.
- . All Regulations under the Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust Act, 1980 (as amended) must be observed.
- . Additional specific conditions may be imposed and will be advised in a separate letter of approval.



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS SYDNEY AND DOMAIN



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS SYDNEY

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The Gardens are open from 6.30 am to sunset daily. The Gardens offices are open from 8.30 am to 5 pm weekdays – reception is off Mrs Macquaries Road. Phone (02) 231 8111.

Education

Our Education Officers run regular school holiday programs and activities for school groups visiting the Gardens. For information phone (02) 231 8128.

Special events

If you are interested in holding a wedding or other special function in the Gardens contact our Events Officer. Phone (02) 231 8016.

Plant Identification Service

At the National Herbarium of NSW (part of the Gardens) from 9 am – 4 pm weekdays. A self-help Public Reference Collection is also available for use. Enter from Mrs Macquaries Road.



SYDNEY TROPICAL CENTRE

The Tropical Centre com-

prises the Arc and Pyramid glasshouses, a permanent exhibition on tropical rainforest conservation, and special outdoor plantings of tropical and sub-tropical species.

Open

10 am – 4 pm April to September
10 am – 5 pm October to March

Closed

Good Friday and Christmas Day

Entry

Adults \$ 5.00; Children \$ 2.00;
Families \$12.00; concessions available.
Phone (02) 231 8104.

VISITOR CENTRE & GARDENS SHOP

The Visitor Centre has a list of most of the plants in the Garden and where to find them. It also has exhibitions on botanical themes from time to time. The Gardens Shop is one of Sydney's leading horticultural and botanical bookshops and stocks a wide range of souvenirs, cards etc. The Visitor Centre and Shop are open 9 am to 5 pm 7 days; closed Good Friday and Christmas Day. Phone (02) 231 8125.

Free guided walks

Walks leave the Visitor Centre on Wednesday and Friday at 10 am, and Sunday at 1 pm. Walks for special groups with nominated themes can be booked at the Visitor Centre.



Wheelchairs

A wheelchair is available for use from the Visitor Centre.

Maps of disabled access points are also available. Phone (02) 231 8125.

If you need help

If you require assistance while visiting the Gardens feel free to approach any Gardens staff or contact a Ranger from the Visitor Centre.

FOOD

Botanic Gardens Restaurant

Open for lunch, morning and afternoon teas 7 days, and by arrangement for special functions. Phone (02) 241 2419.

Botanic Gardens Kiosk

8 am – 4.30 pm daily

Restaurant on the Park

Kiosk 9 am – 5 pm,
Restaurant 12 pm – 3 pm 7 days, and by arrangement for special functions

Palace Gate Kiosk

8 am until dark 7 days a week

TRANSPORT

The Sydney Explorer bus and the 666 bus both provide convenient access to Mrs Macquaries Road.

Parking

The Domain Parking Station is open 7 am – midnight Monday to Saturday, and 10 am – 6 pm Sundays. Parking is also available on Mrs Macquaries Road.

THE FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS

is an active group of more than 3000 members which organises lectures, tours, practical workshops and other activities in all three Gardens. Friends are entitled to free entry to Mount Annan, Mount Tomah and the Tropical Centre. The Friends office is at Lion Gate Lodge. Phone (02) 231 8120.

OUR OTHER GARDENS

Mount Annan

Mount Annan Botanic Garden is our Australian native plant garden. It is over 400 hectares and exhibits a large range of native plants from all parts of the continent. Mount Annan is near Campbelltown, 57 km south-west of Sydney. Open daily from 10 am to 5 pm October to February, and 10 am to 4 pm March to September.

Mount Tomah

Mount Tomah Botanic Garden, our cool-climate botanic garden, is 105 km west of Sydney on Bells Line of Road in the Blue Mountains. It has sweeping views over the mountain ranges and displays plants from cool temperate regions of the world. Open daily from 10 am to 6 pm October to March, and 10 am to 5 pm April to September.

Entry to both Gardens: \$2 pedestrians and cyclists, \$5 per car, \$20 per minibus, \$50 per coach, 50% group discount for pensioners, disabled free.