

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

First Name:	Family name:
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Address: _____

_____P/code: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

Other household names: _____

Individual \$20 Household \$30 Concession \$15

I'm interested in: Reading Corner / Committee / Raking / Propagation / Research & History / Art / Guiding

Payment can be made by direct debit to the Friends of Williamstown Botanic Gardens Inc Bendigo Bank:

BSB 633-000 and **Account No 138141809** (*please write your surname in the transaction details*) or send a cheque made out to the **Friends of Williamstown Botanic Gardens Inc** to PO Box 826, Williamstown VIC 3016 (*include your contact details for*

our reference)

Friends of Williamstown Botanic Gardens Inc ABN: 58407650184

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The 160 year old Williamstown Botanic Gardens are located at the corner of Osborne and Giffard Streets, Williamstown. Features include an Elm Lawn, The Lake, The Pinetum, Palm Avenue and an historic gated entrance.

Become a friend of the Williamstown Botanic Gardens and help ensure they remain a place of pleasure and interest for future generations



FRIENDS SUPPORT THE GARDENS

The Friends of Williamstown Botanic Gardens Inc. is a voluntary organisation established in 2009 in advance of the gardens 150th anniversary in 2010. It is one of around 50 groups throughout Australia that support and promote a variety of botanic and other gardens.

The aims of the Friends are to:

- promote understanding of the historical and scientific significance of the Gardens
- celebrate the Gardens as a valued community asset
- advocate sustainability and long-term development of the Williamstown Botanic Gardens
- support the work of the City of Hobsons Bay in maintaining the Gardens



The Williamstown Botanic Gardens have an interesting history that has been recorded through oral stories, newspapers, photographs, postcards and ephemera.

Some memories are: *The hessian shoes on the horses pulling the mower, the compost heap that reached the sky, buying a billy of hot water for your picnic cup of tea, playing on the cannons.*

JOIN THE FRIENDS

As well as becoming supporters, members are encouraged to participate in the activities of the Friends. These are planned to involve local people of all ages in social, cultural, educational and horticultural programs.

Some of the activities conducted by the Friends include:

- Friend's meetings with guest speakers on topics of interest e.g. the environment, horticulture, the natural world
- Children's Reading Corner: Friends set up and pack away books and cushions used for reading during the school holidays
- a raking team tidies up the gravel paths on a Friday morning
- research and history of the Gardens
- propagation
- art instruction and display
- information on horticultural exhibits



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