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Welcome to the February edition of the APSTNW newsletter. It will be short and sweet.

It's time for our Annual General Meeting (AGM) this month. There will be a wonderful guest speaker presentation followed by tea, coffee, lunch and the filling of the all-important committee positions.

There are two Autumn plant sales this year so an extra propagation sessions is happening Thursday 1st February starting at 10am at the Tasmanian Arboretum.

If you have any suggestions for additions to the newsletter or the plant group in general please share them with one of the committee, general members or myself, Simon.

Monthly meeting: AGM

There was no meeting in January and the February meeting will be our **AGM**. This will be held on **Tuesday 20th February 11am sharp** at the **Tasmanian Arboretum** in the **Education Centre** (see photo for directions) Please save the date to come along and help guide the current and future direction of your group.

Guest speaker:

Our guest speaker will be Tony Roberts from Launceston. Tony is employed by the West Tamar Council and was instrumental in establishing the Windsor Park native plantings many years ago. This reserve has a good representation of many Tasmanian plants and includes most if not all of the Tasmanian Eucalypts.

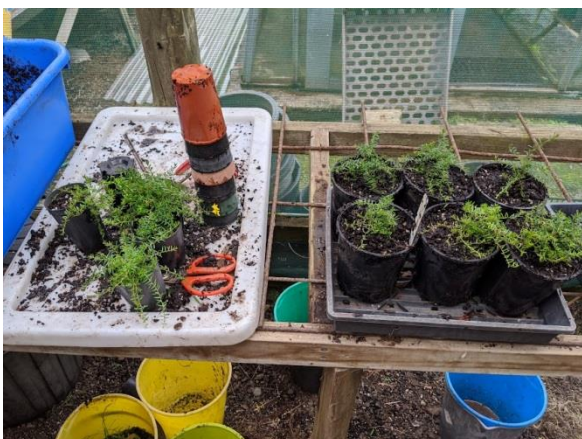
APST recently recognised Tony with Honorary membership for this outstanding work and achievements.



PROPAGATION AT THE ARBORETUM:

Another quality session was had in January. We are in the process of potting up last year's cuttings into their final pot size (usually 1 litre). This will give them time to settle in and look their best for the two Autumn plant sales scheduled for 24th March at the Arboretum and 6th April at EcoFest, Camp Clayton, Ulverstone.

If you are new to propagating native plants from cuttings, or want to learn how to re pot plants into different containers, please come and join us and we'll show you what you need to know.



This is a hands on session helping, learning all about growing native plants from cuttings. It's a BYO lunch/drinks affair at The Tasmanian Arboretum, 'usually' on the Thursday after the Tuesday meeting. If new please contact a committee member for latest information on dates and location.

Upcoming 'not to be missed' events and dates:

Thursday 1st February:

Extra propagation session at the Tasmanian Arboretum starting at 10:00am until 2:00pm (or shorter time if that suits you better)

Tuesday 20th February:

Annual General Meeting 11am at the Tasmanian Arboretum in the Education Centre

Thursday 22nd February:

Regular propagation session at the Tasmanian Arboretum starting at 10:00am until 2:00pm (or shorter time if that suits you better)

Tuesday 19th March:

Regular evening meeting at the East Devonport Tennis Club rooms, 48 Wright Street East Devonport. Come along after 7pm for 7:30pm sharp start.

Thursday 21st March:

Regular propagation session at the Tasmanian Arboretum starting at 10:00am until 2:00pm (or shorter time if that suits you better)

Sunday 24th March:

Autumn plant sale at the Tasmanian Arboretum. More details next month.

Saturday 6th April:

EcoFest plant sale Camp Clayton, Ulverstone. More details next month.

Tid bits and left overs (or should that be recyclables):

The welcoming photo on page one is for Valentine's Day. The heart is associated with love and romance. How many native plants do you know of that have either heart shaped leaves, flowers, or have heart in its name?

Hooroo Simon 😊