

## Mount Annan Botanic Garden

### You could win \$300!

It has been five years since Mount Annan Botanic Garden's Master Plan was completed by consultants Spackman and Mossop. So it is time to revisit the priorities and strategic directions it recommended.

We encourage you to assist us in that review process by completing this questionnaire. It deals with the eleven areas identified by Spackman and Mossop as priorities for the Garden.

**Your feedback will assist us with our future goal setting and planning for the Garden so your input is very important.**

Please tick the boxes and make comment in the spaces provided. Where appropriate, you can tick more than one box.

When completed, we would appreciate your returning the questionnaire to us by 14 November 2005. It can be emailed to [tracey.armstrong@rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tracey.armstrong@rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au) **OR** mailed to Mount Annan Botanic Garden, Mount Annan Drive, Mount Annan NSW 2567 **OR** dropped in to our Entry Booth or a collection box in the Visitor Centre.

All people who return a completed questionnaire will be entered into the draw for a \$300 gift voucher from our Garden Shop. So we encourage you to take the time to give us your honest feedback, and to ensure your chance of winning this gift voucher prize. Please don't forget to fill in your name, address and telephone number.

If you have any questions about the review process please call me on 46347901 or our Garden Information Officer, Tracey Armstrong, on (02) 46347939. The results of the questionnaire will be available on our website [www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au) from 18 November 2005. The lucky prize winner will be notified by telephone and by mail.

Many thanks and good luck! The Garden's future relies on your continuing support.



Caz McCallum  
Managing Curator  
Mount Annan Botanic Garden

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## MASTER PLAN REVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Have you visited Mount Annan Botanic Garden before?  Yes  No
2. What is/was the main purpose of your visit? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Have you ever visited the Garden's website [www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au)?  Yes  No
- If so, did it provide the information you required?  Yes  No
- If it didn't, how could it be improved? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you visited or used the:
- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playground                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Shop/Visitor Centre | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Theme Gardens                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Taken a guided tour        | <input type="checkbox"/> BBQs and picnic areas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking trails. What could be improved? _____ |   |  |
5. What do you like and enjoy most about Mount Annan Botanic Garden? Please number your preferences. (1 = Best)
- |   |                                     |   |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical beauty        | <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh air  | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation facilities    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping   | <input type="checkbox"/> Remnant natural areas    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fauna                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant | <input type="checkbox"/> Australian plant gardens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking trails         | Other (please specify) _____        |   |
6. Do you have a favourite area at Mount Annan Botanic Garden?  Yes  No  
Please number your preferences if you do. (1 = Best)
- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woodland                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Bottlebrush Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Wattle Garden  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Terrace/Connections Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Playground         | <input type="checkbox"/> Banksia Garden |
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Have you or your children attended any classes/courses at Mount Annan Botanic Garden ?  
 Yes  No If yes, what activities?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What educational activities would you like to see offered in the Garden?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. There are a few artistic installations at Mount Annan Botanic Garden. Please tick what you have seen:
- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Room with a View sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> The snail family wooden sculptures |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Blue Ruin tree             | <input type="checkbox"/> The Sundial                        | <input type="checkbox"/> The Wallabies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federation Maze                |   |  |
- Would you like to see more artistic installations?  Yes  No  No opinion

9. Is the signage about Mount Annan Botanic Garden:

- interesting                       easy to read                       sufficient  
 in good condition                       poor                       No opinion?

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

10. At Mount Annan Botanic Garden we conduct research and trials on Australian plants for conservation and sometimes for commercial release e.g. the Wollemi Pine and Flannel Flower. Do you consider this work important?  Yes  No  No opinion

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Mount Annan Botanic Garden's Millennium Seed Bank collects and saves seed from NSW including rare and endangered plant species. Do you think conservation should be an important function of the Garden?  Yes  No  No opinion

12. A goal of Mount Annan Botanic Garden is to manage fire and maintain a green corridor link to the Nepean River to safeguard growing numbers of native animals e.g. wallabies, birds and reptiles. Do you consider this work important?  Yes  No  No opinion

13. How do you rate the importance of the Garden's work to protect, extend and improve natural remnant Cumberland Plain Woodland on site?  High  Moderate  Low  No opinion

14. Following the recent road reversal, do you believe access and views have been improved?  Yes  No  No change  No Opinion

15. What would improve access to the Garden for you? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. How important do you believe Mount Annan Botanic Garden is to the local and regional community?

- Extremely  Very  Moderately  Not very

Why?  Green lungs of the region  Open recreation space

Cultural activities  Scientific hub

Events  Natural areas  Fauna haven  Tourist gateway to the Macarthur

Australian plants showcase  Other \_\_\_\_\_

17. Do you believe Mount Annan Botanic Garden should develop more partnerships e.g. with Local Government, RTA and Landcom so that the plantings and promotion outside the Garden can announce its presence?  Yes  No  No opinion

18. The Garden is a full partner in the developing Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living. Do you believe partnerships like this are important to the Garden's future?  Yes  No Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

19. Entry fees to the Garden assist with its running costs. Are you happy to continue paying fees which contribute to the Garden's facilities?  Yes  No  No Opinion

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Are you a member of the Friends of the Gardens?  Yes  No  
If not, are you aware that for an annual fee of \$64, a family of 1 or 2 adults with children under 18 who live in the same household, can come to the Garden for 'free' as often as they please?  Yes  No  
Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

21. Are you from  the local area  metropolitan Sydney  country NSW  Interstate  Overseas?

22. What is your age group?  under 18  18-30  31- 40  41 – 50  
 51 -60  over 61

When you visit the Garden, do you usually come

alone  with one or more adults

as a large group of family and/or friends

as a small family (two adults, two children)

other? \_\_\_\_\_

23. Are you aware that the Garden has researched and developed plants which are commercially available?  
 Yes  No

24. Do you know that the Garden can be hired for a range of functions including weddings, conferences, seminars, photography?  Yes  No

25. Did you know that Mount Annan Botanic Garden encourages individual sponsorship – such as for trees and bench seats in the Garden?  Yes  No  
Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

26. Have you found staff in the Garden to be:  
 Helpful  Informative  Friendly  
 Visible  Other? \_\_\_\_\_

27. What could the Garden improve?  
 Signage  Walking tracks  Garden presentation  
 BBQ and outdoor settings  Education/conference facilities  
 Food outlet  Children's attractions  Parking  
 Customer focus  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

28. What do you want Mount Annan Botanic Garden to be like in 10 years time e.g. developments, facilities, attractions, events etc.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_