

MIRANDA COMMUNITY GARDEN (MCG) – MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

Updated 31 March 2015

The Garden exists for the benefit of members, to operate in a happy, caring and harmonious manner, with co-operation and respect for one another.

Prospective garden members should read this Agreement carefully before signing, as by signing this Agreement you signify your compliance with the following rules and guidelines.

The rules and guidelines are:

1. **Anyone who signs** a Membership Agreement, pays the **\$30** per person annual fee and abides by the intent of this Agreement, may join and be recorded as members.
2. **Members acknowledge** that the property is owned by the Uniting Church in New South Wales and that the Uniting Church may, at any time, terminate usage as a Community Garden.
3. **Members agree** to exercise due care, diligence and respect of one another in regard to:
 - a) **shared care, concern, maintenance and harvesting** for the total garden area
 - b) **safety** in the use of equipment
 - c) **maintenance** of equipment and tidiness of the garden “shed”
 - d) **replacing** fertiliser, insect repellent, mulch, etc. when stocks are getting low (with the agreement of the Garden Coordinators). The Treasurer will reimburse the purchaser.
 - e) **appropriate conduct of themselves and any invitees.**
4. **All members are encouraged** to take up positions and share responsibilities in the management of the Garden. **All decisions** on the running of the garden should be by consensus with sharing of ideas and workloads.
5. **Gardening** takes place primarily on Saturday and Wednesday mornings (between 9 am and 1 pm).
6. **Insurance** cover is provided to persons who are financial members of the MCG, have signed the Attendance book and are on the property for the purpose of gardening.
7. **Members to liaise with the Garden Coordinators** before planting or harvesting vegetables, fruits and/or flowers. Crop rotation and organic gardening principles to be carried out according to the Master Garden Register.
8. **Unsatisfactory conduct**, the consumption of cigarette products, alcohol or drugs will not be tolerated either in the Garden or on any part of the adjoining Church facilities.
9. **Children in the Garden**: To be a Child Member (**\$5**) the child’s guardian must also be a member of the Garden and must accompany the Child Member when at the Garden. So that we can prevent unforeseen accidents in the Garden, it is important that when members are accompanied by children, members must ensure that these children are supervised at **ALL** times.

I AGREE to the Annual Fee of **\$30** per person and agree to abide by the general intent of this Agreement and to do all I can to enjoy my membership and enhance the garden experience of all.

Important Health Information (if required)

****Signature:** **Date:**

**** Please sign an extra Copy to keep for your own records.**