Spring Spectacular returns for another year, 10 gardens on show

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SPRING TIME: Karen and Scott Mitchell with children Brendan, Olivia and Amelia at Belvedere, one of the gardens in the Bathurst Spring Spectacular. Photo: PHIL BLATCH

Held on October 27 and 28, the Spring Spectacular will see gardens from all across the Bathurst region open to the public, with ten properties to be showcased.

Club publicity officer Dianna Baillie said the club was anticipating one of

their best years yet.

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"We are so lucky to have so many beautiful gardens in our region, and this is a rare opportunity for the public to see them," she said.

"We encourage the community to not only come along and see the diverse range of garden styles we have included this year, but to ask questions and get ideas for their own home gardens."

Open gardens include a flower-free green garden, English-styled cottage gardens and displays highlighting ferns and native eucalyptuses.

Funds raised from ticket entry will go towards the Mitchell Conservatorium, the 2BS Lions Christmas Miracle Appeal, Bathurst Community Transport Radiation Bus, three rural fire service units, Lifeline and headspace.

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Each garden will have a fairy dell hidden somewhere in its foliage for visitors to find, to tie in with this year's theme of 'enchanted garden'.

There will also be live music at the various properties throughout the weekend.

Gardens in this year's Spring Spectacular:

- Bishop's Court 226 Seymour Street, Bathurst
- Michele and Ian's Garden 134 Hope Street, Bathurst
- Jann's Garden 14 Albert Street, Bathurst
- Nariah 44 Morrow Place, Robin Hill
- Orielton 17 Morrow Place, Robin Hill
- Belvedere 87 Morrow Place, Robin Hill

- Adelong Park 457 Brewongle Lane, Glanmire
- St Anthony's Creek 128 St Anthony's Creek Road, Glanmire
- The Folley 3476 Great Western Highway, Yetholme
- Willowie 3442 Great Western Highway, Yetholme

Tickets cost \$5 per garden, or \$20 for all ten, with money going to local charities.

For information on Spring Spectacular, visit the <u>website</u>.

Miss Traill's House and Garden Market:

In conjunction with the event, Miss Traill's House will host a market, with numerous stalls operating between 9.30am and 3.30pm.

Stalls include the Bathurst Gardeners' Market plant stall, book stall, garden ornaments and plants.

Morning and afternoon tea will be on offer, as well as a steak and sausage barbecue.

People will also be able to enjoy the garden, with music playing between 11am and 2pm.

Visitors can also see Miss Traill's House Museum for a special price of \$5 per person, with the National Trust shop open as well.

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