



## **Biennial Convention 2021**

**12 – 16 September 2021**

Hosted by the  
**Townsville Garden Club**

*'Beautiful One Day  
- Perfect the Next'*

Continue the Norfolk Island experience and follow the HMS Pandora as it travelled across the Pacific Ocean in pursuit of the infamous Bounty Mutineers! Pandora remains as one of the most significant shipwrecks in the Southern Hemisphere and is located NE of Townsville on the edge of the Great Barrier Reef.

Townsville is perfectly situated in Tropical North Queensland and is a major gateway to the Great Barrier Reef, The Wet Tropics and Queensland Outback. It's a vibrant and bustling city with a population nearing 200,000 sitting under the watchful gaze of Castle Hill. Enjoy al fresco dining, Federation style architecture and boutique shopping as well as the cooling ocean breeze and coastal vibe. It is also Australia's largest garrison city with Australian Defence Force Bases and fascinating military history to explore.

Townsville is located about 350 kilometres south of Cairns and 1,350 kilometres north of Brisbane. Townsville airport has links to major eastern seaboard cities as well as Darwin and many regional Queensland towns. From the airport it is just 10 minutes to the city centre. It boasts a large range of accommodation to suit all visitors including centrally located Caravan Parks with beachfront or lakeview cabins, luxury 5 Star Hotels, Apartments and Budget Hotels.

The large range of activities and tours available in the area, also makes it the perfect place for non-gardening partners, ensuring they too can enjoy their trip to North Queensland.

**Convention details including Program, Venues, Accommodation, Activities etc. will be available on the Website [www.gcaconvention2021.com](http://www.gcaconvention2021.com) and Facebook.com/2021 from June 2020.**

**Registration Packages available from September 2020. To request a full Registration Package please email [perfect2021@mail.com](mailto:perfect2021@mail.com)**

With more than 300 days of sunshine a year, Townsville North Queensland combines a vibrant and bustling community, a relaxed NQ lifestyle, rich history and stunning natural wonders.

- ✓ Visit the many Gardens of Townsville – Queens Gardens (*A Botanic Heritage Experience*), Anderson Botanic Gardens (*A Native & Dry Tropics Experience*), Palmetum (*A Tropical Experience displaying one of the largest and most diverse public collections in the world*)
- ✓ Soak up the sun along Townsville’s beachfront promenade, The Strand
- ✓ Reflect in the history and make some great discoveries at the Museum of Tropical Queensland, Townsville Historical Museum, Army Museum of NQ, Maritime Heritage Museum and RAAF Museum
- ✓ Delve into the Arts at Perc Tucker Gallery and amazing Street Art throughout the CBD
- ✓ Be entertained at the two premier theatres, the Townsville Civic Theatre and the Riverway Arts Centre. Both venues offer a range of entertainment and special events
- ✓ Enjoy a round of golf at one of the 3 amazing courses available
- ✓ Wander along the Riverway walking paths, meet locals and enjoy the serenity
- ✓ Chase waterfalls amongst the rainforest of Paluma Range National Park
- ✓ Visit Magnetic Island and marvel at the 360-degree views and explore WWII fortifications and visit one or many of the 23 sun-soaked beaches around the island
- ✓ Tour AIMS (*Australian Institute of Marines Science*) for a guided walk of the facilities including a tour of the world’s smartest aquarium, The National Sea Simulator
- ✓ Discover the working life of the gold rush at the Venus Gold Battery in Charters Towers
- ✓ Meet the Texas Longhorns on a Wagon Tour Safari
- ✓ Wet a Line and discover the fantastic fishing opportunities
- ✓ Sample sweet local produce including ice cream and exotic fruits
- ✓ Explore Wallaman Falls, Australia’s tallest single drop waterfall
- ✓ Enjoy the many animal encounters at Billabong Sanctuary, Magnetic Island Koala Sanctuary and TYTO Wetlands

