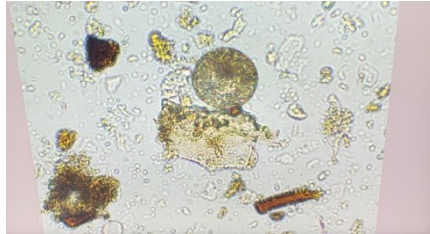


'Soil Your Undies'

25th March 2023



Over 20 members and guests attended the Soil Workshop held at the O`Shea's house and beautiful garden on Kangaroo Valley Road in Berry on Saturday 25th March 2023. Due to the weather we were inside but had a really informative talk and discussion with Kirsty Hambrook from Terrewah Farm in Kangaroo Valley on soil issues important when it came to growing plants. She covered the factors influencing healthy soil, what can be done to get the right nutrient balance and how we can increase the biodiversity in our gardens and veggie plots. She finished by showing us what soils look like under the microscope and took away a number of soils brought on the day to analyse for us.

The day was also the launch of the SlowFood 'Soil Your Undies' initiative where 15 members signed up to bury a pair of cotton knickers (K-Mart specials) on 1st April and promised to dig them up at the end of May to see how much they had deteriorated. The worse they are, the better the soil time will tell. Nick Otter is coordinating the results a bit of fun with a scientific element.

Thanks goes to Kirsty for stimulating our interest in soils, to Denis and Kerrie for hosting us on the day and to Marilyn for organising the morning tea.

The next Slow Food event is the Autumn Long Lunch at Meroo Springs on Sunday 2nd April 2023 where the focus will be on local produce cooked on the barbeque or in the smoker followed by dessert. Tickets are going fast so if you have not booked in you`ll have to be quick. A great day is anticipated.

