LESSON 2 - ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Select five native plant species, name them and write (descriptive and cultural) notes (a paragraph) on each. Comment on how to prune each of these plants.
- 2. Develop general guidelines for pruning native plants in your locality. Submit approx ½ page.
- 3. Submit your sketches and or photos from set task 1.
- 4. Describe step by step how you have gone about propagating the plant in set task 2. Name the plant.
- 5. Name two native plant genera which you are familiar with, and which are commonly cultivated in your locality. (eg. Melaleuca and Grevillea). Describe the "general" techniques used to grow and care for each of these two native plant genera; including: planting, staking, mulching, fertilising, watering and pest control. Submit approx ½ a page in all.
- 6. Consider a native garden that fits the following specifications; and develop recommendations for the maintenance of such a garden:

Location: A home garden on a 1000 sq. metre reasonably flat block of land in your locality Layout: The front garden has gravel drive way, paths, and lawn - fringed by 2 metre deep garden beds. Back garden is almost totally bush garden with 5 mature trees (over 20 metres), and thick under story of mainly wattles, *Melaleucas* and *Grevilleas*. Brick Paved area of 40 sq. metres at the side of the house provides for outdoor living and BBQs.

Plants: In the front, nothing much over 5-7 metres. Most plants are at least 7 years old. Low shrubs and ground covers are throughout the entire garden.

PRESENT YOUR ANSWER AS "a twelve month maintenance plan" (ie. maintenance schedule), which would be sensible for a garden which fits the above description. You should include:

- A list of cultural tasks to be carried out;
- The month of the year to perform each task;
- The man hours required to perform each task.

This may be submitted in a one page table format.

DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT YOUR PLANT COLLECTION