Auckland Botanic Gardens Begonia trial, 2016–2017
Emma Bodley and Jack Hobbs present the results of their Begonia garden trials in Auckland.

A brief history of the gardens of Government House Auckland
Anthony Wright uncovers a history of the gardens of Government House Auckland.

Biocontrol of Tradescantia fluminensis in Wellington: how are our beetles doing?
Karin van der Walt shares Wellington Gardens’ experiences of raising and releasing Tradescantia beetles for biological control.

Karin van der Walt provides a report of her trip to an international botanic gardens conference.

2017 Ronald Flook Award: Helen Elizabeth Lowe
Award citation compiled by Seth Thompson and Helen Lowe’s acceptance reply.

2017 Young Horticulturist of the Year competition
Results of the YHOTY competition from the RNZIH Education Trust.

2017 Young Horticulturist of the Year winning speech
Tim Adams presents his award winning speech on the importance of kaitiakitanga (environmental stewardship) values in horticulture.

Obituaries
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Book review
Joseph Banks’ Florilegium: Botanical treasures from Cook’s first voyage
By Mel Gooding, David Mabberley and Joe Studholme, reviewed by Ross Ferguson.