New Westminster Horticultural Society/

Newsletter

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JULY SHOW - WOW!!!

All our worries were for naught. With the hot dry summer we wondered just how full the showbench would be. It was a glorious sight! Our schedule is designed to be broad to cover all weather conditions. We expect that some classes would be no longer appropriate as the time had passed or not yet arrived for those flowers or vegetables to mature. This July we reached a record low of only 4 classes without entries. Thank you to all who entered. 17 exhibiters entered a total of 75 exhibits.

Best of Show winners, selected by popular vote, are:

Cut Materials: Julia Goulden, beautiful gladiolus

Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs: Tammy Chambers, humongous onions Floral Art: Audrey Barnes, driftwood & rope with pitcher plants

The placement ribbons won are as follows:

Competition	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Dahlias	Ellen Berg		
Daisy-like flowers	Audrey Barnes	Audrey Barnes	Ellen Berg
Gladiolus	Julia Goulden		
Lily	Lesia Gojda		
Pansies or Violas	Lesia Gojda		
Phlox	Lesia Gojda	Ellen Berg	Lesia Gojda
Roses, spray	Julia Goulden	Silvana McNulty	Susan Tamkin
Roses, single	Audrey Barnes	Colleen Graham	
Sweet peas	Silvana McNulty		
Hydrangea	Julia Goulden	Silvana McNulty	Merril Hall
Potted plants	Audrey Barnes	Dan Tessaro	Colleen Graham
Any other flower	Susan Tamkin	Susan Tamkin	Merril Hall
Pod vegetables	Gillian Escalante	Terri Clark-Kveton	
Root vegetables	Tammy Chambers	Audrey Barnes	
Leaf vegetables	Audrey Barnes	Susan Tamkin	Gillian Escalante
Tomatoes	Marya McLellan	Julia Goulden	Susan Tamkin
Herbs	Terri Clark-Kveton	Susan Tamkin	Silvana McNulty
Rhubarb	Audrey Barnes	Julia Goulden	
Blueberries	Gillian Escalante		
Raspberries	Ellen Berg		
Tree Fruits	Dana Nowak	Silvana McNulty	Merril Hall
Any other fruit, vege	Susan Tamkin		
Driftwood & Rope	Audrey Barnes	Gillian Escalante	Audrey Barnes
Diamonds are Forever	Audrey Barnes	Audrey Barnes	
Power of One	Rhonda Malyuk	Audrey Barnes	
Formal Affair—Mini	Ronda Malyuk	Audrey Barnes	Lesia Gojda
Foliage Fantasy	Audrey Barnes	Audrey Barnes	

Tonight's Meeting

Tues, August 11, 7:30pm

Guest Speaker: Karen Myskiw Topic: Kitchen Garden Design

Mark Your Calendar

Vancouver Dahlia Society Annual

Show, Sat, Sept 5, 1-5pm; Sun, Sept 6, noon-3:30pm VanDusen Gardens Floral Hall Admission by donation

NWHS Regular Meeting

Tues, Sept 8, 7:30pm

Speaker: Margaret Cadwaladr Topic: Our Patio Garden, "A Case

Study"

South Burnaby Garden Club Fall Fair

Sat, Sept 12, noon-4pm; Sun, Sept 13, 10am-4pm - Bonsor Complex, 6550 Bonsor Ave, Burnaby

Free admission

No fees to exhibit - for show schedule southburnabygardenclub.org

Southlands Shopping Trip

Sat, Sept 19, 11am coffee's hot! 6550 Balaclava St, Van More details at meeting, or contact Trudy

BC Council of Garden Clubs Fall

Meeting - Sat, Oct 24, all day Firefighters Banquet & Conference Centre - More details next month

NWHS Silent Auction

Tues, Oct 13 - October reg meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT - July

Total Revenues: \$353.55 Total Expenses: \$229.13

See the bulletin board for Ellen's

detailed report.

WATERING RESTRICTIONS:

We are at Stage 3 in watering restrictions. There is absolutely no watering of lawns (discounting rain). You can hand water trees, shrubs, plants. No soaker hoses allowed. No refilling ponds. Hopefully we won't progress to the dreaded Stage 4.

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GARDEN TOUR & PICNIC:

Well, the weather was rather warmer than we wanted but the gardens made up for it. Absolutely fabulous—and what a range! Thank you to our garden hosts: Michael Campbell, Anne McNamara, Ron Howe & Doug Braun, Terri Clark-Kveton and Elaine & Rob Carroll. Thank you to all who toured—and for staying with the schedule. The picnic—such delicious food! Thanks, Audrey, for hosting again. Lesia Gojda is our 2015 Garden Stumps champion with a score of 13/20. That gal has her name on the trophy several times.

IF IT'S SEPTEMBER, IT IS FALL BRING TO SHARE TIME:

This is a chance for you to share something special from your garden or get an answer to a gardening question. There is no limit how many exhibits you bring in—but bring at least one—and get your name in the basket for one of three \$5 participation prizes.

Types of exhibits:

Garden Glory: beautiful or unusual plants, blooms or foliage from your garden

Photos: garden related
Great Tips: perhaps a neat
technique you have discovered
Garden Design: info or questions
Plant Identification: bring in the
plant or leaf or even a photo
Insects: please keep specimens
enclosed

Weeds & Diseases: please keep infected materials enclosed in plastic

Other: anything that doesn't fit into the other categories

Garden Gals: a special exhibition by these talented club members

Bringing in Exhibits: Get exhibit slip(s) from the sign-in table. Place your exhibit in the appropriate area on the tables.

Feedback: It is expected that all members, when viewing the exhibits, will write down answers or evaluations of the exhibits. Viewing and giving feedback happens during the refreshment break.

SILENT AUCTION IN OCTOBER:

There is no speaker at our October meeting. Instead we have our Silent Auction. A good "it's too hot to do anything outside" activity is to search through your cupboards and closets for items for our Silent Auction. Audrey has begun stock-piling items from members. She will accept yours as long as they are not too big and have no fragrance. There are many advantages to dropping things off at Audrey's: the tags will be made up for you, the items can be sorted and give us an idea of the table space required, and the items will be delivered to the lodge for you. If you drop items off at Audrey's (117 Seventh Ave), leave them at the sheltered back kitchen door. Don't forget to add your name—in case we have trouble





PLANT A ROW. GROW A ROW:

Where is the latest place for vegetable gardeners to hang out? It is at the 12th Avenue entrance of St. Thomas More Collegiate (7450 12th Ave, Burnaby). It is definitely an "in" place to be on Sunday mornings between 8:30 & 9:15. Bring your excess garden (or even purchased) produce. PAR GAR volunteers will gladly receive it and deliver it to the New West Food Bank.

SUMMER HEAT:

Tell us how you helped your garden beat the heat, or a garden experience you had because of the heat. The experience can be positive or negative. How many have discovered how much easier it is to rake clover out of a dry lawn than from a lush lawn? Submit your experiences to Audrey via email or in person at the meeting. We will publish them later this year in the newsletter.

SEED EXCHANGE:

Thank you to those who have donated seeds. Remember to put all plant details on the envelope—and your own name and phone number! Richard may have a question for you.

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