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**HORTICULTURAL  
 SOCIETY**

# OCTOBER 2014 NEWS LETTER

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## FALL IS HERE

### General Meeting Wed. OCTOBER 29

Doors Open @ 7:00 Meeting Starts at 7:15

**Location:** Fire Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor corner of King and Ross St.

### OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> SPEAKER IS Laurie McMurray CORN HUSK LADY - Making Corn Husk Dolls

Laurie is going to show us how to make a wonderful corn husk doll. Go on line ahead of time to get some very interesting ideas for your project. Laurie is an excellent teacher and we will all be able to create something beautiful. We will decorate a tree for the festival of trees with the corn husk dolls. Please come out and help us make an amazing tree.



### Up-coming Events

**Mon. Oct. 20 to 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 Discarded Art Show  
 Books & Company 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Floor

**Sat. Nov. 8/14**  
 FALL PRESIDENTS  
 MEETING Stirling at 110  
 Mill Street, St Andrew's  
 Presbyterian Church Hall

**Nov. 1 – 2**  
 MAKER'S HAND  
 Crystal Palace

**Nov. 28 to 30/14**  
 FESTIVAL OF TREES  
 Supporting the  
 PRINCE EDWARD  
 MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
 At Isaiah Tubs Resort

### October Mini Show Please Enter

#### CLASS 1

Design using a pie pumpkin as a container

#### CLASS 2

Collection of herbs CUT in a container, 3 or more varieties named

### September General Meeting

Our September Meeting was fun with the Rose Show and a delightful talk on "Sprouting" by Raw Foodie Erika Wolff. We learned how to sprout a variety of seeds including sunflower seeds, pea seeds, and tasted a soup made from sprouts, peas, and avocado. Good job Erika!



### TROPHY WINNERS 2013:

**If you won a trophy in 2013 please bring it to the October meeting so that we can prepare them for the Annual General Meeting in November. If you are not attending the meeting in October, please drop off trophy at the RE/MAX OFFICE IN PICTON.**



## 2014 ROSE SHOW Winners

Special Thanks to our Judge on short notice Joe Kitchen who did a great job judging the completion. A big thank you once again to Sandra Dowds who set up the show and to everyone who entered their beautiful roses. It was a very good display this year with lots of entries. See our website for all the winners.

Thanks to Sandra Dowds for Organizing the Rose Show and thanks to Pat and Sandra for consistently entering the Mini Shows and making the competition awesome!

Pat Stuckey won best rose in show and she also had the most entries.



## Notes from the September Board Meeting

The Fall President's meeting is coming up in Stirling on Saturday November 8 starting at 10 a.m. We look forward to bringing back a report from that meeting.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on November 26, 2014 starting at 6:00 p.m. sharp with a pot luck dinner. We will be electing a new board for 2015 and invite any members who want to be on a very fun board.

Big thanks to Hedy Campbell and Elizabeth Cowan who will both be stepping off the board this year due to other commitments. Hedy's fundraising efforts provided over \$300 in funds to the Society. Kudos to Hedy! Elizabeth has been an integral part of our board doing an amazing job with advertising and setting up at the general meetings. Elizabeth is not going anywhere and will still be helping out. She has been a delight on the Board!

Thank you to John Garside for looking after membership in 2014. Connie Graham will be taking over the membership duties for the remainder of 2014 and 2015 Thank you Connie.

Please let me know if you want to be on our board!



## **Some beautiful submissions to the September Rose Show**

We will make a copy of the Minutes from the September Board Meeting available at the October meeting for any members who wish to read them.

**November 26, 2014, highlight will be the Annual General Meeting & Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 p.m. sharp**

## Fall Garden Checklist

With the cooler fall weather upon us, it's time to get outside and prepare your garden for the onset of a Canadian winter. Maybe you haven't spent that much time in the garden over the past few weeks, with kids going back to school, or you have managed to get away and spend some time off at the cottage, but there are a lot of little tasks that need to be completed to get your garden ready for winter. Fall is a great time to plant trees and shrubs, cut back perennials, remove annuals and get your lawn healthy for next spring. Remember to keep watering. Trees and shrubs that are deprived of water now will be easily stressed in the winter. Below is a handy guide to fall clean up tasks

### October:

- Transplant shrubs or young trees to new locations.
- Cut diseased areas out of perennials. Do not compost.
- Rake and compost any fallen leaves.
- Clean up garden debris. Remove all vegetable plants and fallen fruit.
- Remove dead annuals from the garden, after a frost.
- Cut back perennial foliage to discourage overwintering pests. Leave flowers with seeds for the birds.
- Continue watering trees and shrubs until the ground freezes.
- Sharpen lawn mower blade and pruners.
- Trim tall grass away from trees and corners of your home to discourage small rodents from creating nests.

Dig up tender bulbs such as dahlia, canna and gladiola. Wrap them in moist material and store in a cool, dark space.

### November:

- Fertilize your lawn
- Divide spring and summer blooming perennial plants.
- Turn off outside water connections. Drain garden hoses.
- Buy bulbs to force for winter.
- Continue watering trees and shrubs until the ground freezes.
- Wrap screening around fruit tree trunks to protect from small animals.
- Mulch rose bushes.
  
- Clean fallen leaves in downspouts and gutters.

### December

Start paperwhites and amaryllis for winter blooms

## SUMMER PICNIC - was great!

Thank you Norma and David Crichton for hosting a lovely summer picnic which was attended by approximately 21 members. The lunch was delicious and the company grand. A fun day was had by all.

Thanks to Walter McGee who popped his head into Dave and Norma's house the week after the picnic and spent 2 hours weeding. A friend in deed!