

Sechelt Garden Club

Newsletter September 2017

Daffodil Bulb Sale—Our Fall Fund Raiser



Our President, Cathy Belfry, with the hundreds of daffodil bulbs that we will be selling.

Our Garden club members have many bulbs to sell to raise money for our club. The King Alfred Daffodil bulbs are deer resistant and naturalizing. The definition of naturalizing is that they can be counted on to come up year after year, and spread informally throughout your garden. The price is 20 bulbs for \$10.00 and they will be available to buy at our September meeting.

If you wish to purchase for yourself and family and friends prior to the meeting, please email Cathy Belfry at cathybel2@gmail.com or

Lorraine Gallant at ljgallant@telus.net and you can arrange for a pick up time at their homes. You can also go to the Seaside Centre on the “kitchen side facing the mall” on Saturday Sept 23 from 11 AM to 12:00 PM.

Many members have already purchased, so don't miss out!!



Anniversary History Book

Our 50th Anniversary book will be on display at our September Garden Club meeting. You can order and pay for your book then; the cost is \$26 for a black and white copy and \$45 for a colour copy. The cost quoted is the printer's actual printing cost. Our club has not added any extra cost to the amount.

You can contact Cathy Belfry to place an order if you will not be attending the meeting. Payment is required prior to the book being ordered. Cathy's email address is cathybel2@gmail.com



Next Meeting

Monday, September 25, 2017

at the Seaside Centre,
5790 Teredo Street

@ 7:00 P.M

Please wear your name tag,
and bring your cup
for coffee or tea.

Speaker: Harry Hill

Topic: Collection, Propagation and Garden Use of Native Plants

Mr. Hill is associated with the Native Plant Nursery at The Iris Griffith Field Studies and Interpretive Centre which is part of the Ruby Lake Lagoon Society. The Native Plant Nursery propagates and cares for a variety of native plants for use on the nature reserve and elsewhere. Many of these plants are used in their native plant gardens to promote the use of local plants in landscaping, to attract the native fauna, and to educate visitors on their traditional uses. In addition, these plants are sold to help the Society raise money to continue the work the Society does around the Sunshine Coast.



September Checklist from Bob Tuckey—The Natural Gardener

- Prune the cane fruits such as raspberries and blackberries (except ever bearing raspberries).
- Plant winter pansies and fall annuals (calendula, dianthus, ornamental cabbage and kale).
- Divide peonies. Be sure to have 3-5 eyes per division. Plant with eyes no deeper than 2" below soil.
- Plant fall-blooming bulbs amongst the fall perennials in your window boxes, planters and garden beds.
- Divide bearded iris and other summer blooming perennials, and plant new ones.
- Plant bare root trees and shrubs.
- Plant herbs and ground covers as the weather cools.
- Save seed pods of flowers that you would like to propagate.
- Take cuttings of bedding plants like geraniums, fuchsias and heliotrope. Do the same with shrubs and bush fruits, too.
- Prune summer-flowering heathers, and give hedges a final trim.
- Pull up tomato plants by the end of the month and ripen any unripened tomatoes indoors.
- Sow winter vegetables (lettuce, Swiss chard and kale).
- Order new fruit trees and bushes and prepare soil by digging in compost and manure.
- Remove yellow leaves from water plants. Remove, clean and store water pump.
- Plant rye grass as a cover crop for your vegetable garden to restore nitrogen to the soil

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Please check out our website to find helpful gardening website links recommended by our Club members.

Click on:

[Gardening Tips and Information](#)

Get well wishes



to our Community Development Director, Penny Lyle, who just had a hip replacement. Hope to see you back to your active self soon, Penny!

Please send me any feedback and suggestions as to the type of information you would like to see included in our monthly newsletters. I look forward to hearing from you.

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More information about the club can be found at:

www.secheltgardenclub.com