

# 2015 Monthly Meeting Speakers

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January 26, 2015

## Gardens in Kauai, Hawaii

— Laurie Creak

Laurie will enthral us with his presentation of his visit to the Gardens in Kauai . He will emphasize the variety and scope of trees, bushes and vines that have been introduced to the Hawaiian islands and why Kauai has become known as the Island of Gardens.



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February 23, 2015

## Beneficial Organisms for the Home Gardener

— Conway Lum, GardenWorks @ Mandeville

Recipient of "Garden Communicator of the Year Award" by BC Landscape and Nursery Association (2006)



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March 30, 2015

## Pruning with Confidence

— Ron Knight

There will be a follow up pruning workshop in April



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April 27, 2015

## Incorrigibly obsessive about hydrangeas

— Barry Roberts

Advanced Master Gardener, Past President of the Master Gardeners Association of BC, former governor of VanDusen Botanical Gardens



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May 25, 2015

## The Fascinating Life of Bees in Our Community

- Sally Burke, President of Bee Hive Association on the Coast and Harry Meier, Bee Keeper at the Sunshine Coast Botanical Gardens

A powerpoint presentation on what is happening in the fascinating life of bees in our community.



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Sept 28, 2015

## Water Wise Gardening

- Gwen Steele, co-founder and Executive Director of the Okanagan Xeriscape Association.

Xeriscape specialist Gwen Steele returned to Sechelt Garden Club to share her knowledge of appropriate plants for water-wise gardening, planting tips and timing, how to make soil more moisture retentive, mulching, tree care, capturing and reusing water, and where to find out more about what may be our new reality -Xeriscaping.

Gwen brought copies of her favourite Xeriscape reference book for those who would like to purchase it



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Nov. 30

## AGM

Lorraine Gallant graciously stepped in for Linda Buckingham who fell sick, demonstrating how to make "Seaside Themed" Christmas Crafts such as ornaments, wreaths and garlands using driftwood, seashells and rope.

- Delicious seasonal goodies and hot mulled cider was served
- Special Seasonal Door Prizes
- A Fabulous Prize for Completing the Survey by Sept. 30th  
(Please note: you have to attend the meeting to be eligible)

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No meeting in Oct.

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Nov 9,2015

## **Growing Perennials from Seed**

- Bill Terry

Born in England, Bill sailed to Canada in 1958, took the train to Vancouver and started a 35-year long career with the CBC -- Besides enjoying many years as a radio current affairs producer, Bill was head of CBC Television in Manitoba, then head of Radio network Drama in Toronto, and finally Deputy Head of the English radio networks.

He retired as early as affordable, with the intention of pursuing his life-long passion: gardening.

He is the author of four books -- on plants, plant hunting and gardening -- including "The Carefree Garden: Letting Nature Play her Part," which was published this spring.

He has been a member of the Sechelt Garden Club since 1995.

[Ninety Nine Plants to grow from Seed - Bill Terry](#) (pdf)