

Sechelt Garden Club

Newsletter September 2016

Welcome Back—September 26th
Invite a friend to our first meeting of the fall season!



Gary Lewis – There is Just Something Special About Succulents



Gary Lewis is the owner of Phoenix Perennials and Specialty Plants Nursery in Richmond and one of B.C.'s most knowledgeable plant experts with a deep and special interest in rare and unusual herbaceous perennials.

His cottage-garden nursery on No. 6 Road in Richmond is one of Canada's top perennials nurseries, carrying more than 4,000 different garden plants. More information can be found at:

www.secheltgardenclub.com

Guests pay only \$5.00 to enjoy an excellent speaker, meet other gardeners and enjoy coffee/tea and snacks. Our goal is to welcome and entice them to join our [Sechelt Garden Club](http://www.secheltgardenclub.com)

Next Meeting

Monday, September 26, 2016
at the Seaside Centre,
5790 Teredo Street
@ 7:30 P.M.

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

Speaker will be

Gary Lewis

Topic is Succulents



- enjoying the fall/winter garden-planning for interest in the quiet seasons
- cutting back--what, why, when, and when NOT to cut back perennials and hardy annuals
- dividing--what, when, and how
- planting--bulbs, new plants, cold-weather seeds
- lifting--tender bulbs and annuals
- feeding the soil--compost and mulch

Cost is \$10.00 —must pre register

October 15, 2016

10:00am — noon

6253 Sechelt Inlet Road
Please park on the road rather
than in the driveway.

For further information and to register, please call Janet 604.885.3366 or email janet.crowe@me.com



Mini Plant Sale October 31st Meeting



Bring a plant or two from your garden or a favourite house plant, label it and it will be sold in our mini plant sale for \$2.00 with larger plants costing \$5.00. The club will be bringing in **Canada's 150 celebration tulip bulbs to sell to our members.** The Canada 150 tulip is white with red flames and bears a striking resemblance to our Maple Leaf flag.

Be sure to attend the meeting to take advantage of this great opportunity to select a plant for your house, deck or garden.

Our speaker will be Michelle Nash, a local food grower and garden planner.

Sechelt Garden Club Needs You!!



Present Board Members

Want to have some fun
planning our next year?

Positions on the Board are available:

Vice President

Secretary

Guest Speaker Director

(arranges the wonderful speakers for our meetings)

General Board Members

Please ask us for more information about positions for positions descriptions and volunteer opportunities.
See our contact information on the next page.

We would love to hear from you.



Christmas Luncheon Tickets on Sale

Buy early to attend our festive lunch on Sunday December 11, 2016. Buy your tickets starting on September 26th—our first meeting of the fall.

\$20.00 for members

\$30.00 for guests

Excellent food, good company, draw prizes and entertainment!

Don't miss out!

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



Call Karon 604.399.9889 for more information on volunteering and to get started

More information about the club can be found at:
www.secheltgardenclub.com

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Please check out the our website to see helpful gardening websites recommended by our members.

Click on:

[Interesting gardening websites](#)

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.

Carol Corbet

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