



Sechelt Garden Club



Newsletter November 2019

Annual General Meeting November 25, 2019 See you at the Seaside Centre

Successful Fund Raiser Mixed Daffodil Bulbs and Blueberry Bushes

Many thanks to all those who sold, bought and supported our fund raiser this year. A **special thanks goes out to our local IGA Marketplace** who allowed us to sell Daffodil bulbs at their store on the Thanksgiving weekend. They were very gracious in helping us set up our tables under one of their canopies - it was a very good day of sales thanks to Ann Booth, Verna Kelso, Cindy Kissler, Pat Kolterman and Dianne Tarris!

Thanks also to our garden club members who organized and volunteered their time setting up and selling the bulbs at the Trail Bay Mall. This includes Verna Kelso, Mira Grabowski, Karon Kosof, Gail Cron, Penny Lyle, Brenda Wentworth, and Carol and Richard Corbet.

Thanks to Pat Kolterman for arranging the purchase and the selling of the Blueberry bushes. Well done Pat!

Total raised was \$1, 791.60

AGM—Next Meeting Monday, November 25, 2019 at the Seaside Centre 5790 Teredo Street @ 7:00 pm

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



Speaker: Verna Kelso Topic: Seasonal Arrangements

Verna has been creating beautiful floral arrangements for many years and she is happy to share her knowledge, expertise and creativity with us so that we can learn how to make our own. Verna appreciates using what we can glean from our own gardens to make lovely arrangements. With Christmas a few weeks away, this is a timely demonstration.

John Field—October Speaker

John has taught classes at the Elder College on mushrooms. He foraged for mushrooms prior to our meeting and brought us several samples, some not edible and others edible.

John advised that the best forests to find many species of mushrooms are ones in which Douglas Firs grow and that forest over 60 years old are best to encourage the growth of mushrooms.

See page 2 for pictures of some of the mushrooms John brought to our meeting. Amazing!





Christmas Luncheon

Sunday, December 8, 2019 12:00—2:00 PM

Sunshine Coast Golf Course

Member Tickets—\$30 Non Member—\$40

Available at our November meeting or

Contact Gerri Randall at randallgerri@gmail.com

Fabulous food and Door prizes

Entertainment is "The Old Broadway", a vocal trio whose repertoire includes pop, jazz and a sprinkling of comedy and 'seasonal' delights!

Edible Mushrooms



Inedible Mushrooms



From the Internet I found this sage saying:

“There are old mushroom hunters, and there are bold mushroom hunters. There are no old, bold mushroom hunters.”

So be careful out there!!



Wanted– Director of Communications—to start 2020

To send information out to the membership when required

To create a monthly Newsletter (except for July & August)

You will work with a fun & supportive Executive Committee

Time required is 4-5 hours per month

Interested? Contact Carol Corbet or Ann Booth for more information

You Know You're a Gardener if:



YOU KNOW YOU'RE A GARDENER IF:

1 You consider well aged feces a thoughtful gift.

6 You sometimes forget your to-do list because the plants need staring at.

2 When you see someone trimming trees, you wonder if you could use a cutting of that.

7 You think store bought tomatoes are disgusting.

3 You have taken bags of leaves (i.e., other people's trash) off the street to use as mulch.

8 A sale at the nursery is more exciting than a sale at the department store.

4 You have saved pits or seeds from fruit you liked, in your purse or pocket, to sprout at home. If they sprouted, you were momentarily intoxicated with your godlike ability to create life.

9 When you meet someone who likes to garden, you feel an immediate and unbreakable bond with them. You also wonder whether their harvests are better than yours.

5 You hoard yogurt containers, plastic bottles and egg cartons. What? They're useful in the garden!

10 You would not be reading this if it were not about GARDENING!

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November Gardening Tips from The New Twelve Month Gardener

Annuals, perennials and bulbs

- Complete bulb planting.
- Dig up dahlias and other summer bulbs if not already done. Clean up beds and borders and mulch with compost or manure.
- Make sure cushion plants like dianthus and saxifrage don't get covered in leaves, as they will rot.
- Cut back chrysanthemums when they have finished flowering.
- Pot up geraniums and fuchsias and store in frost-free place. Water once a month.
- Continue to edge and weed flower beds.
- Continue sowing hardy annuals such as poppies and cornflowers, and biennials such as foxgloves.



Trees, shrubs and climbers

- Plant bareroot roses as they become available.
- Give roses a final deadheading and a light pruning. Apply dolomite lime around established roses.

Fruits, vegetables and herbs

- Plant new berry bushes and fruit trees.
- Take cuttings of bush fruits and prune to remove crossed and crowded branches.
- Plant garlic, shallots and overwintering onions.

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More information about the club can be found at:

www.secheltgardenclub.com

Sharing Table

Director, Verna Kelso, will be welcoming plants, gardening tools, books, containers, and any useful garden item that you would like to share and sell at the meeting. This is a great time to bring in your excess bounty to share with your garden club members.

Do put your name on your items and label the plants you bring please. Anything remaining at the end of the meeting will go home with their owners as we do not have storage.

Thank you for your wonderful support; the Sharing Table does very well at raising funds for our Club.



For more information on volunteering call Carol Corbet @ 778 458-2287