The Watering Can

West Carleton Garden Club & Horticultural Society

Fall Flower & Vegetable Show

Welcome back to our 2019-20 season! Our September meeting is also showtime. Included in this newsletter are all the instructions and rules for the upcoming flower, vegetable and photo show. Please place your entries starting at 6:30 pm.

2019-20 Schedule

We have a really interesting season ahead. Our Programme Coordinators, Donna Caldwell and Nancy argue, have sourced and enticed notable speakers to address our club on varied subjects such as naturalized gardens, rock gardens, growing from seed, fruit trees, etc. The lineup is on our website.

October meeting

Start collecting seeds now!
During our meeting in
October,as has become a
tradition, we will be swapping
seeds from our gardens. New
this year, we will also be
trading hostas!



September Meeting:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 Carp Memorial Hall, 3739 Carp Rd., 7:30 pm

Cindy Cluett

from 'Beyond the House Gardens' in Russell

"How to Grow and Use Ornamental Grasses in Your Garden"





Dividing Hostas

If your hostas aren't too large, dig out the entire clump.

Dig around the hosta clump in a circle, then use your shovel as a lever to lift the clump out of the ground.

Once it's out of the ground, you should notice that the clump is made up of many individual plants. If there's still a lot of soil around the plant, wash it off so you can see the hosta crowns.

Carefully break apart the clumps into divisions made up of at least three sets of shoots coming out of a crown.

If your hostas are too large, use your shovel to cut the clump into divisions.

Carefully dig out the sections from the original hole.

Replant them in a low light or shady area.

https://www.bhg.com/gardening/flowers/perennials/how-to-divide-hostas/

Events /Items of interest:

- *The Ottawa Bonsai Society will hold its Annual Bonsai Exhibition for 2019 on Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sunday, September 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Embassy of Japan, 255 Sussex Drive.Demonstrations between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. both days. Admission is free. Free parking inside the gate of the Embassy. Information: (819) 684-0586.
- * WCGC meeting lineup for 2019-20: https://wcgc.ca/currentschedule.html
- * OHA publication- Summer 2019 Trillium: https://gardenontario.org/wp-content/uploads/trillium-news-2019-03-summer-web.pdf

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WCGC 2019 FLOWER, FRUIT & VEGETABLE SHOW

September 10, 2019 - Carp Memorial Hall

- Entries to be placed between 6:30 p.m. and 7:10 p.m.
- Only one entry permitted per person per class
- All cut specimens to be shown in clear glass
- Name your specimens where possible
- For the Design Division, plant material may be obtained from any source as it is the artistic ability of the exhibitor that is being judged.
- Entry tags are available when you sign in
- Judging to take place during the general meeting

DIVISION 1 - HORTICULTURE				
Class	Specimens			
1a	Aster, annual, same variety	3 blooms		
1b	Aster, perennial, same variety	3 blooms		
2	Aster, e.g., European Michaelmas-daisy 1 spray			
3	Calendula, same variety	3 stems		
4	Celosia "Cock's Comb" - CHALLENGE PLANT 1 stem			
5	Cleome	1 stem		
6	Cosmos, same variety	3 stems		
7	Dahlia, same variety, bloom 4" and under in diameter	3 stems		
8	Dahlia, bloom over 4" in diameter	1 stem		
9	Echinacea, same variety	3 stems		
10	Gladiolus, single colour	1 spike		
11	Gladiolus, bi-colour or multi-coloured	1 spike		
12	Grasses, Ornamental, same cultivar, grown for foliage or seed interest, named	3 stems		
13	Heuchera, same variety	3 leaves		
14	Hosta, same variety	3 leaves		
15	Marigold, same variety	3 blooms		
16	Rudbeckia	3 stems		

17	Zinnia, same variety, 3" and under	3 stems
18	Zinnia, over 3"	3 stems
19	Collection of annuals, other than above, named in one container Minimum 3 stems	
20	Collection of perennials, other than above, named in one container Minimum 3 stems	
21	Collection of herbs, named, may include edible flowers Minimum 5 stems	

DIVISION 2 - VEGETABLES AND FRUITS				
Class	Specimens - exhibited on a white plate			
22	Beets	3 of a kind		
23	Carrots	3 of a kind		
24	Cucumber, slicing	3 of a kind		
25	Garlic	2 bulbs		
26	Onions	3 of a kind		
27	Peppers, sweet or hot, any colour	3 of a kind		
28	Tomatoes	3 of a kind		
29	Tomatoes, Cherry	1 Truss		
30	Any large Squash, e.g., Butternut, Hubbard, etc.	1 specimen		
31	Apples, Crab	6 of a kind		

DIVISION 3 - DESIGN - "A Day at the Fair"				
Class	Description			
32	"Carnival Rides"	A design using an armature (structure or grid work designed for mechanical and decorative purposes, and which becomes an integral part of the design)		
33	"Livestock Judging"	A landscape design		
34	"Homecraft"	A design of your choosing. May include accessories		
35	"Hot Dogs and Cotton Candy	A mass design		
36	"The Midway"	A miniature design		

DIVISION 4 - PHOTOGRAPHY	
37	"Favourite Flower" - A close-up of one or more blooms in your 4" x 6" photo

DESIGN DEFINITIONS

ARMATURE - Structure or grid work designed for mechanical and decorative purposes, and which becomes an integral part of the design.

LANDSCAPE - A realistic style capturing a moment from nature. It can be completely naturalistic or stylized.

MASS - A design with a large quantity of plant material arranged in a closed silhouette with few or no voids.

MINIATURE - A design with maximum dimensions of 12.7 cm (5") in any direction (height, width, depth and diagonal). For good proportion, the container should not exceed 3.5 cm (1-1/2") in height.