

The Watering Can

West Carleton Garden Club & Horticultural Society

Another Season!

Our 2021-22 season was conducted on Zoom, much like the previous season. Apart from the Plant sale, we had few occasions to get together in person. Hopefully, moving forward starting this summer, we will be able to reconvene and reconnect over interesting presentations at general meetings. We can't wait to get together again!

Our Garden Hero

The Canadian Garden Council emailed all Hort Club Presidents requesting that Garden Clubs nominate a member as our garden hero. This is to be someone who has gone over and above and helped sustain the society recently, especially these past few years. Brenda Baird nominated **Ken Sala**, and it was heartily supported by your executive. Ken has always put in many hours to keep our website up and running, and to facilitate our many Zoom meetings. Thank you, Ken!

Au Revoir

Have a safe, happy and healthy summer. See you at our first 2022-23 season meeting on Tuesday, September 13th.



Our June Meeting

Tuesday, June 14th, 7:30 pm

On Zoom

Before the pandemic, our speaker, **Gay MacQuarrie**, visited Kingsbrae Garden in St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea in New Brunswick. Enjoy her walk through this award-winning garden with a variety of personalities.

Kingsbrae Garden is a multi-award winning 27-acre horticultural masterpiece which celebrates St. Andrews' heritage of fine gardens with its use of old and new gardening styles.

There are over 50,000 perennials in themed gardens, ponds, streams, old-growth Acadian forest, various animals and birds.

Please register in advance for this Zoom meeting, our last meeting of the 2021-22 Season. Email your name and email address to: presentation @wcgc.ca . Members: free, Guests: \$5.



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One left! Skillfully made out of cedar, it stands over 5 ft high and around 16 inches wide. It is reasonably priced at \$100. Club members Johanna and Merrill Cutts are responsible for these finely crafted garden features. Please contact Brenda Baird at president@wgcg.ca if you have an interest.

Summer weeding

As is our tradition, every summer we maintain the garden in front of **Carp Memorial Hall**. Brenda has put in some lovely planters and on page 3 we have a series of week dates of maintenance which need to be filled in with volunteers. Remember you don't need to attend every day during the chosen week, just once. We may also have a call out to help with maintenance at the Carp branch of the Ottawa Public Library a little later on.

Plant Sale

Thanks to our members, your generous plant donations and volunteer time, our plant sale at the Carp Farmers Market on May 14th was a great success. What a perfect hot day! Brenda reports we made over \$1K in this, our main season fundraiser. Bravo! Wasn't it nice to get together outside and see each other again? Composite pic opposite.

Summer activities

No club meetings after June 14th until September but here are some of the activities and outings that we are keeping an eye on over the coming months:

- Red Trillium Studio Tour, <https://www.redtrilliumst.com>, Sat-Sun, June 4-5th.
- Orchid Sale, June 18th, RA Centre (see poster on p. 5 below)
- District 2 Flower Show to be held on **Saturday, August 20** at Ottawa City Hall. (We will send out a reminder later on too.)
- We are organizing a member **garden tour in August of nearby Roam Flora**. This is a local two-acre solar powered flower farm offering workshops and specializing in custom floral orders. They also offer a floral subscription service throughout the growing season. They are located nearby just off Upper Dwyer Hill Rd. The tour will probably be during the daytime. More info to follow...



Schedule for 2022 summer maintenance
At Carp Memorial Hall Garden *
Volunteer sign-up

July 3/2022- July 9

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July 10- July 16

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July 17- July 23

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July 24- July 30

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July 31- August 6

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August 7- August 13

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August 14- August 20

- * Pick a week at your convenience and please note you only need to go on one day and not everyday of that week. Plants will need possible deadheading and the garden should be weeded. (The watering is handled by someone else.)
- * Please contact Brenda Baird at president@wcgc.ca to volunteer.

Next Season

Our Programme Director, Kathleen Teahen, is looking for **input from the membership** as to what presentation topics would be interesting and of value to us. This will help Kathleen add to the ideas she already has about next season's presentations, and to source out knowledgeable speakers.

If you have any **speakers** you have seen recently, were impressed with and would like to share with fellow members, have any **garden-related topic** in mind that Kathleen can source a speaker for, or have any other suggestions as to programme format or content, please send her your ideas by email at: vicepresident@wcgc.ca

Much appreciated!

Membership

The pandemic has reduced our numbers of active members. We are not alone in this as most community and volunteer-based groups have suffered attrition especially over the past few years given the restrictions.

We want to return in the fall, more resilient and energized than ever. To do this, we **need your help in recruiting new (or old) members**. Realistically, it will be easier to invite friends and neighbours to Carp Memorial Hall, where they can meet with real live people, chat and have a cup of tea, than to participate on Zoom. We are optimistic and looking forward to welcoming you back to our casual, friendly and informative monthly get-togethers starting in September.

More information about next season's line-up will be made available later on in the summer.

ORCHID SALE

OTTAWA ORCHID SOCIETY

JUNE 18, 2022

LE 18 JUIN 2022

- 🌿 ORCHIDS AND ORCHID SUPPLIES
- 🌿 SHOWCASING CANADIAN VENDORS
- 🌿 SEVEN VENDORS IN ONE LOCATION!

- 🌿 ORCHIDÉES ET FOURNITURES
- 🌿 VENDEURS CANADIENS SUR PLACE
- 🌿 SEPT VENDEURS PRÉSENTS

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION:

- 🌿 MASKS MUST BE WORN

CONDITIONS D'ADMISSION :

- 🌿 PORT DU MASQUES OBLIGATOIRE

Open: 10 am to 4 pm
Admission: \$5
Under 12: Free

Ouverture : de 10 h à 16 h
Prix d'entrée : 5 \$
Moins de 12 ans : gratuit

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FOR DETAILS

VOIR LE SITE WEB
POUR PLUS DE DÉTAILS

NO DISPLAYS THIS YEAR
SHOW RETURNING IN 2023

PAS D'EXPOSITION CETTE ANNÉE
RETOUR DE L'EXPOSITION EN 2023

Psychopsis Kalihi 'Yellow Bird'
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