

The Watering Can

West Carleton Garden Club & Horticultural Society

General Meeting

Let's hope that March 10th is a nice day for our upcoming meeting, and that we can meet in person at Carp Memorial Hall. It's always more enjoyable when we're together.

Tauney Stinson

Tauney Stinson is an outdoor educator, forager, potter, and beekeeper. She started foraging at a young age alongside her mother, who taught her the basics, and personal interest pushed her to study mushrooms in particular. Tauney teaches foraging classes in the Ottawa Valley throughout the season as [Forager Bee](#). She is a certified Pollinator Steward, Ontario Master Naturalist, president of the Upper Ottawa Valley Beekeeper's Association, soon-to-be graduate of the Sacred Gardener School, and spent two years as professor for the Wild Edibles class at Algonquin College. She lives in Renfrew with her husband and other animals.



WCGC March Meeting

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Carp Memorial Hall

“Food for You and the Bees: Growing a Wild Edible Gardenscape”

with

Tauney Stinson

of [Forager Bee](#)

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

Members: Free, Guests: \$5

Would members with family names beginning with G to L kindly bring in sweets and/or items for door prizes.

(Pic above courtesy of T. Stinson)



Last meeting

Our February meeting was a scramble. Last minute cancellations are never any fun, but we have to anticipate the likelihood of change of venue due to inclement weather at least once in the season. Thank you Judith for having pivoted to offer us a very lively and information-full presentation on Zoom. It's always a pleasure listening to Judith Cox. (Pic above: J.Cox)

Seedy Saturday

To make it a success, we still need people to volunteer for our coming event. Setting up and taking down on the days before and after, greeting at the door and manning our table, helping in the kitchen and donating home baked goodies. Please contact Brenda at president@wgcg.ca Also, remember to bring cash, change and small bills to the event.

Save the Dates

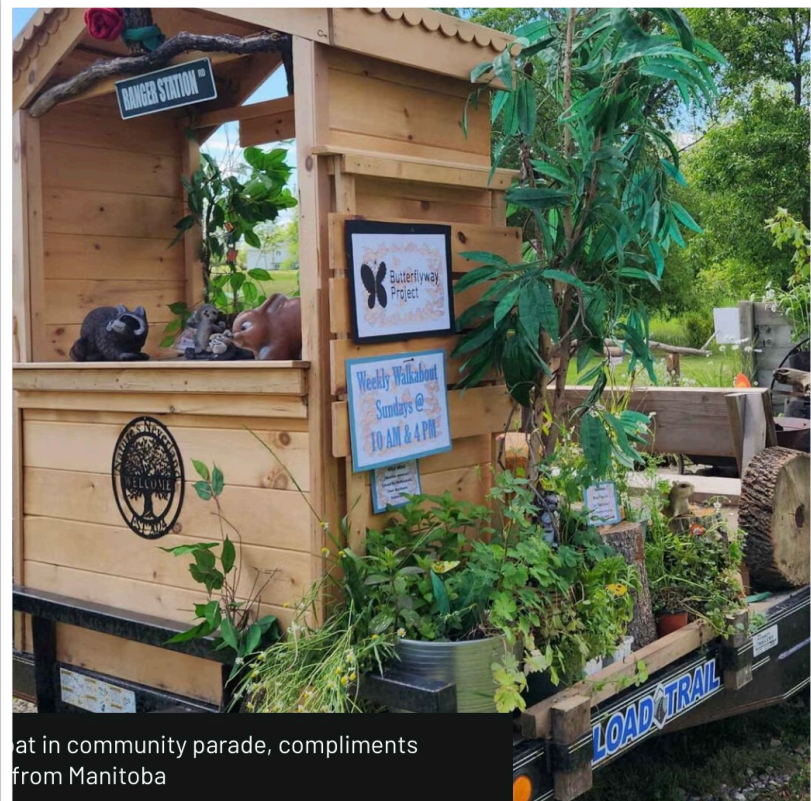
April 14 Meeting
"Marvel of the Monarch"
 with Joan Harvey, Mary Ash
 & Johanna Cutts
Plant Sale: May 16th

The David Suzuki Foundation has opened up registration for new Butterfly Way Rangers.

What Rangers do:

- Organize local teams to plant pollinator habitat
- Help establish habitat gardens in their community - with the goal of establishing 12 gardens; i.e., a Butterflyway
- Host or participate in community events such as plant swaps, workshops and garden tours
- Share knowledge and inspiration with neighbours and local partners
- More information here: https://david Suzuki.org/take-action/act-locally/butterflyway/?link_id=1&can_id=043edc5ecd467779591b9f1639b47e24&source=email-tell-us-about-your-ranger-experience-parlez-nous-de-votre-experience-2&email_referrer=email_3085291&email_subject=help-us-grow-the-butterflyway

(Pic below: David Suzuki Foundation website)



at in community parade, compliments from Manitoba

🌱 Planning Next Season's Program 🌱

As it's never too early to plan next season's program (September 2026 to June 2027), we would appreciate your input. This year the theme of our program was influenced by native plants, growing in non traditional environments, the flora and fauna of wild spaces, etc.

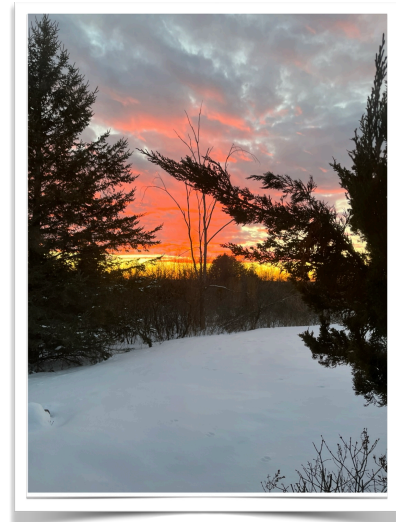
What would you like to see next season? Share your suggestions of special areas of interest with us and we will source presenters who can speak to them. If there are any speakers you have seen and would like us to invite, let us know.

Send your suggestions to Kathleen Teahen : program@wgcg.ca, or Brenda Baird : president@wgcg.ca

Out and about

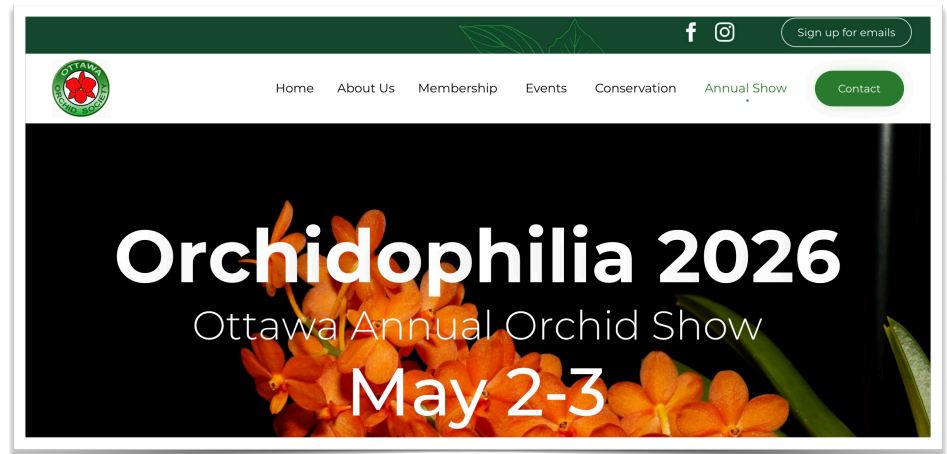
Want to know what's happening in other garden clubs across the city? There is a handy reference spot online which outlines gardening events:

<https://gardeningcalendar.ca>



Winter

<https://ottawaorchidsociety.com/orchidophilia/>



Coming Events

If you would like to help out with **Seedy Saturday**, please contact Brenda Baird at president@wgcg.ca, and/or with the **D2 Flower Show**, please contact Gay MacQuarrie, Show Chair at gardens.gay@outlook.com

Seedy Saturday

Saturday, March 14, 2025,
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Carp Agricultural Hall

3790 Carp Road, Carp, ON

Admission: \$2 cash - for 3 door prize tickets*

Kids free

*Proceeds from ticket sales to be donated to Kanata, Stittsville and West Carleton Food Banks

- Low-priced seeds from local sources - annuals, perennials, veggies and natives (cash sales)
- Vendors and Workshops
- Kiddie Corner (Let's plant seeds)
- Master Gardeners for advice
- Coffee, Muffins, Door prizes

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OHA District 2 Annual Meeting
Agenda Theme: Preserving the past for the future

Date: **Saturday, April 18, 2026**, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hosted by Nepean Horticultural Society Venue: St. Stephen's Anglican Church, 2821 St. Stephens Street, Ottawa, ON.

The keynote speakers are:

Keynote Speaker #1

- ✦ **Owen Clerkin, Tree Educator, Activist, and Treabadour: The Rare Trees of Eastern Ontario**

Keynote Speaker #2:

- ✦ **Dr. Pete Tang, President of the Biodiversity Conservancy International: The Restoration of the Pinhey Sand Dunes**