

RHODODENDRON SOCIETY

A Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society

P.O. Box 3040 Langley, B.C. V3A 4R3

NEWSLETTER

WED. February 20th - 8:00 p.m. 1991

Guest Speaker: CLINT SMITH of Benjamin's Rhododendrons, Sumner, Washington, will be with us to share his knowledge of rhododendrons, and bring us up to date on recent varieties. Clint will also be bringing some of his much sought after plants for the sale after the meeting.

We would ask members and their friends, and also members of any other Garden Clubs to come and take part in this evening. We feel sure you will not be disappointed.

Educational: There will be a 10 minute period put aside prior to the meeting for any questions you may have - bring your frozen plants along for an assessment!!!

Wed. MARCH 20th: We will be having well known Vancouver hybridizer, JACK LOFTHOUSE, who has produced many winners, such as Yellow Petticoats, Sierra Sunrise, One Thousand Butterflies, etc.

Wed. APRIL 17th: ARTHUR DOME, Director of the Rhododendron Species Foundation will talk on the species and their progeny

Sunday, March 24th: VRS Spring Plant Sale at Clay's Nurseries, 3666 224th Street from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Time to replenish the losses!

Saturday, April 6: VRS Early Show at David Lam Centre, UBC Botanical Gardens - Noon to 5:00 p.m.

April 10/14th: ARS National Convention at Oakland, California. You can probably get in on the special train trip - see Harold Johnson on this.

April 21st: Bus trip being arranged for a one day trip to the Island to visit some of the finest gardens in the Victoria area - We will have a list and would ask that you put your names down so that we can have an idea of what size of bus we will need for this.

May 4th: Truss Display and Sale by our Chapter at Willowbrook Mall. Diane Scott is in the midst of arranging this and help will be needed to man the tables. Again, we may have a list available for volunteers at the March meeting.

Saturday, May 11th: We are to join the Surrey Garden Club in their Show and Sale - again help will be needed to transport plants and attend to the sales - see Pat Glennie on this one.



THANKS LILLIAN: For braving the elements to provide us with a delightful show on photography, as well as the wonderful slides of rhodos and other plants.

Executive for 1991

President - Les Clay (530-5188)
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 Bulletin: Ella Crabb - 534-4884

They all ask that you phone them with any program you might want, any suggestions as to any of the above should be passed on to the person in charge. Articles for the Bulletin appreciated.

Membership: We have to welcome:

Mr. R.C. Barton, 19975 38th Avenue, Langley
 Johanne & Wayne MacDonald, 2646 King George Hwy. Surrey
 Holly Gordon, 1911 248th Street, Aldergrove
 Norma Senn, 26823 32A Avenue, Aldergrove.

Also under Membership, apologies for lack of Membership List with our last Bulletin. Chris Ballyn has just taken over the Membership duties and in the midst of revising same - we do hope to have one with the next Bulletin.

One other reason for lack of membership list is the fact that we have a few members who haven't paid the dues for 1991 and we would appreciate hearing from you - give Chris a call at 888-2914. This will be the last Newsletter to go out to you as we will assume that you are unable to rejoin at this time.

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE:

FULL MEMBER - \$30.00 LOCAL MEMBER \$12.50
 ASSOCIATE MEMBER - \$10.00

Constitution & By-Laws: The Constitution and By-Laws for our Chapter have now been registered in Victoria, and there will be copies available at our February meeting for anyone who may wish to have same.

Executive Mtg. TUES. Feb. 26th at home of Harold & Melba, 13730 111th Avenue, Surrey.

SICK LIST: The Emersons - Gerry is under treatment but responding with top marks - Lillian too is recovering from an attack of shingles.

RAFFLE: Contributions to the Raffle Table really appreciated - Chris K. did a wonderful selling job last month - Thanks Chris.