



The Year of the Iris - photograph by Stephanie Davidson

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Workshop – April 4, 2020

As our thoughts turn to spring and our fingers get itchy to get back into the soil, we would like to remind you of our spring workshop – **"Introduction to Vegetable Gardening"**.

This workshop is being held on Saturday, April 4th at the Greenbank Community Centre from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. It is a 3-hour workshop run by Master Gardeners and will cover all topics related to vegetable gardening – from soil and soil preparation to garden design to choosing, planting and germinating seeds. The workshop will conclude with a Potluck lunch.

This is a great opportunity for you and your friends/family members (yes, they are most welcome to join us) to get a jump on designing your garden and vegetable gardening, be able to ask for any advice from the Master Gardeners and have fun getting to know some of your fellow members better.

The cost of the workshop is \$30.00 per person.

If you would like to join us and/or know anyone that would like to attend this workshop, please contact Debbie Watson or myself:

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Dear Fellow Gardeners:

A midwinter "Hello" to everyone!

We don't normally put out a midwinter newsletter but this year we would like to make an exception. We have a number of events coming up prior to and very soon after, our first meeting in April and we would like to remind you of those, as well as the dates of our first few meetings.

Please see the column to the left regarding a **Gardening Workshop** being offered the beginning of April.

The **District 17 Annual General Meeting** is being hosted this spring by the Pine Ridge Garden Club, **and will be held on Saturday, April 18th at the Blackstock Recreation Centre in Blackstock.** This event runs from 9:00 am to approximately 3:00 pm. The cost is \$30.00 for the day which includes morning coffee and snacks, lunch, two speakers and photo, design and flower competitions. If you are interested in attending, please contact Debbie Watson at debbiewatson123@hotmail.com as soon as possible as spaces are limited.

I have included a few pictures from our December meeting, including the Award Winners for the Flower Shows and Photo Contest. A full list of the Award Winners will be published in our 2020 Yearbook. **Please make sure you check Page 28 of our 2019 Yearbook for the 2020 Photo Contest Class Entries.**

I will be back to you with our first "official" newsletter of 2020 at the beginning of April. Until then, enjoy the rest of the winter, stay safe and happy planning for your 2020 gardening season!

Sandee

Upcoming Events

- Saturday, April 4th:** Introduction to Vegetable Gardening Workshop
- Wednesday, April 8th:** First monthly meeting of the 2020 Season
"How to Maximize Your Harvest Through Succession Planting"
- Saturday, April 18th:** District 17 Annual General Meeting "Salute to Spring"
Blackstock Community Centre
- Wednesday, May 13th:** Monthly meeting
"Connecting Polar Bears and Carrots"
- Sunday, May 31st:** Our Annual Plant and Bake Sale 9:00 am to 11:00 am
H.H. Goode & Son Parking Lot



2020 Executive: left to right

*Rick Causton, Pam Kuiper, Angie Andruss,
Mirela Lazariou, Chris Page, Sandee Basten-
Snell, Debbie Watson, Bev Latva, Agnes
Croxford, Gill Powers, Pauline Slade
Absent: Rose Doyle, Joyce Brown*



Ugly Christmas Sweaters !



Left: **2019 Flower Award Winners**
Above: **2019 Photo Contest Winners**

***"Anyone who thinks gardening begins in the spring and ends in the fall is missing the best part of the whole year;
for gardening begins in January with the dream!"*** ... Josephine Nuese