

Garden Beet



Ennismore Garden Club Fall 2019

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Note from Our President

by Helen Young

Well, summer is winding down and so are we. It's amazing how beautiful our gardens were this year after such a wet spring. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers for all the hard work deadheading, weeding and the nourishing of those plants that cried out for more attention. We grouped our gardens a little differently this year for maintenance purposes and it seems to have worked out well.

In August, we lost my co-president Hope Boehm to Nova Scotia and we wish her and Dave all the best in their new East Coast home. Over the last few months, a subcommittee has been busy working on an application to Canadian Veteran Affairs for funding to build a monument to honour our local veterans and service people. My sincere thanks to members Pat Sinka, Gail Murray Smith, Debbie Smith and Mary Claire Moher for all the time they have spent reading, researching, getting quotes and meeting numerous times on this project. We will know early in 2020 if we are successful.

The Fall will be busy for us as we gear up for winter baskets, Christmas lights and the AGM. On a final note, we are desperately in need of new Board members---you know we really are a fun bunch. It's important going forward to have a full board to keep our Society vibrant. Please consider joining us for the upcoming year.

I hope you all have a wonderful Fall! Enjoy the colours and the cooler weather!

- Helen Young, president

Meetings start at 7:00pm with Social Time at 6:30pm.

Optimist Club Hall located below the Ennismore Library.

Upcoming Events

September 19th: Next General Garden Club Meeting. Vikki Whitney from Griffin's Greenhouse will demonstrate and give instructions for how to create an Autumn Container. Some lucky winner will take it home.

October 17th: General Garden Club Meeting with guest speakers, Liz and Nick Case. Topic: "Garden Trends for 2020".

November 21st: Our annual Potluck and AGM. Roger Hill from Hill's Florist and Greenhouses in Lindsay will be the guest speaker. Topic: "Keeping Plants Alive and Thriving in Winter".

Winter Basket Workshop: It will be held this year on November 9th at John Young's heated garage. More info will be sent out later.



Memorial Forest Update

by Mary Lou Young

Just a quick note to say how lovely the Memorial Forest looks this year. After watering our maples and shrubs last year, they looked after themselves nicely this year. Our oak trees loved last year's heat but did not like getting their feet so wet this spring. They have rebounded nicely with the warm weather.

We are still monitoring a couple of trees and will assess them this Fall.

Our hostas looked wonderful and gave the Memorial Forest a nice bit of colour! We had a dead-heading, weeding and vine-cutting get together around the end of August and would like to thank everyone who attended.

We have orders for two more trees this Fall and are planning to extend our "Bench Bed". We haven't set a date for the planting, but if you would care to help, just call Mary Lou at 705-292-7335 and leave a message.



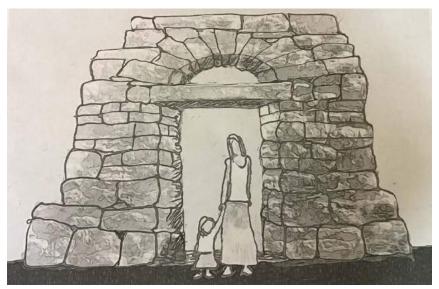
Memorial Cairn Report

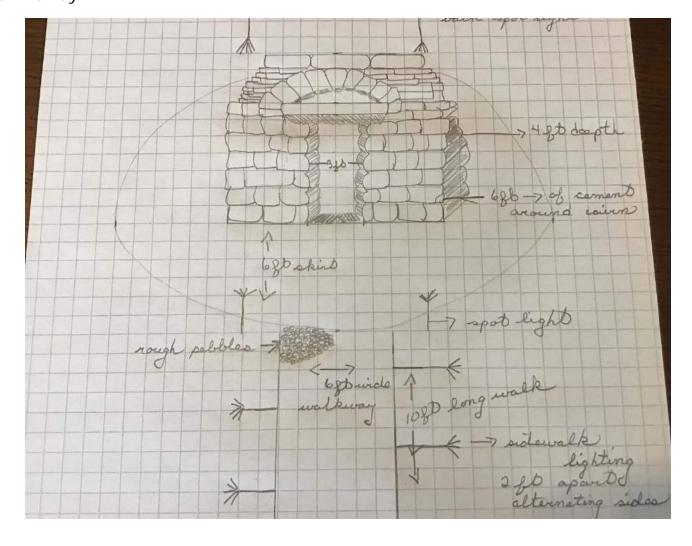
By Gail Murray/Smith

Your Sub Committee for the Memorial Cairn have been working hard over the summer. We are almost finished the very detailed application form for Veterans Affairs. It entailed quotes, pictures, scale drawings, site photos, budget pages, goals, outcomes, mission statement etc.

Here is a picture of our proposed Cairn. If our application is accepted, we will be going ahead with this build at the Recreation Complex, right outside our club house in June 2020. Keep your fingers crossed we are approved. The Cairn would be an awesome stone structure for our township.

Helen Young - President Pat Sinka - Secretary Debbie Smith Mary Claire Maher Gail Murray



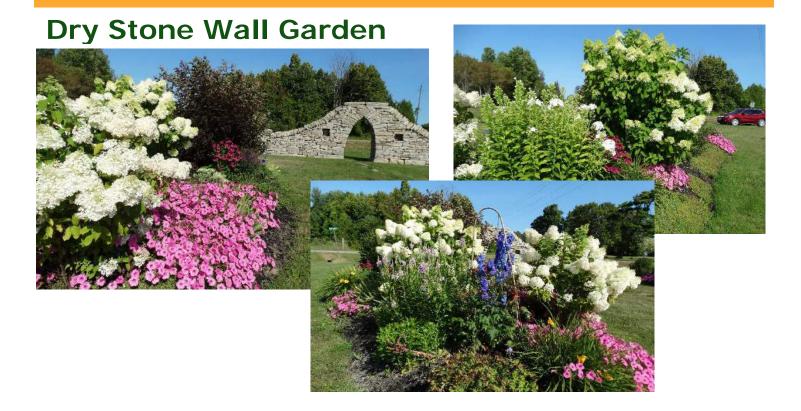




Wildflower Garden

By Gail Murray/Smith and John Koster

This year we decided to plant a wildflower garden in one side of the property just for the bees. We were not disappointed. This was a perennial mixture I bought at Walmart for \$10.00. You could hear the hum of the bees for weeks. Now the flowers are drying up and the birds have taken over, eating all the seeds. We will definitely do this again next year and probably make it bigger.



Mexican **Sunflowers**

Grown by Mary Lou Young

Mary Lou grows these gorgeous Mexican Sunflowers. They grow from seed to be about 5-6 feet tall, love full sun and can tolerate being dry. The deep green colour of the leaves is contrasted by a huge number of orange flowers about 2-3 inches across. The butterflies just love them. Mary Lou is going to start a bunch that will be available at our spring plant sale in May. They would make a great border, divider or filler plant.



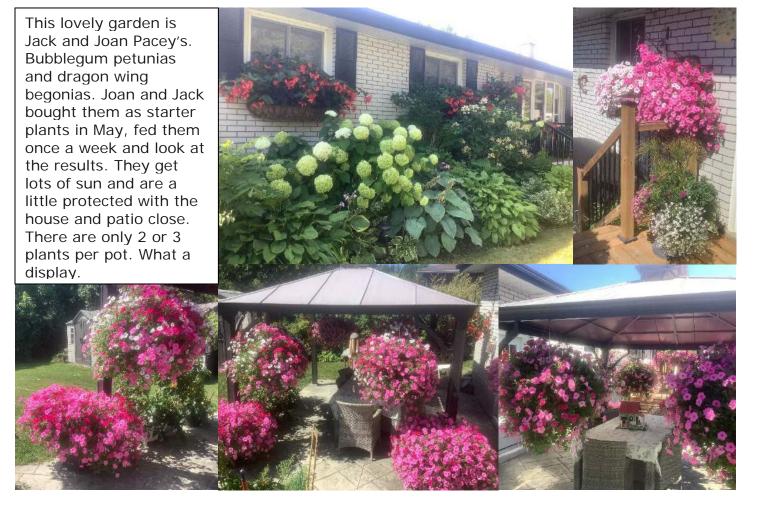
Dahlias

By Gail Murray/Smith

These are dahlias Norm Kyle grew for our spring plant sale. They have been lovely all summer. You have to get to the plant sale early to grab Norm's flowers. They are bought up fast.







Seasonal Gardening Tips

By Gail Murray-Smith

Well, I guess we cannot change the calendar so, being that it is September, we might as well do garden chores for the fall. This time of year is the best time for perennials to be moved and divided.

Mark Cullen states "Perennials that are particularly well suited to division this time of year include hostas (every 4-6 years), peonies (every 8-10 years), daylilies (every 3-5 years), ornamental grasses, and virtually all fleshy-rooted plants that tend to clump as they mature."

Basically, when dividing you should dig up the whole root, then slice the clump. A perennial division knife or sod cutting knife is a great tool to cut the clump. Then, replant your two or three new plants in their new home. Make sure the soil is well worked up with some fertilizer and water well. Roots take 6-8 weeks to get established so you need to continue to water.

When dividing daylilies, make sure you have 2-3 fans per division. Replant at the same soil level. Any plants that are getting a bald spot in the middle definitely need to be split.

Most of all, don't be afraid to divide. It's fun to give some of your garden away to friends and family. Most people on our street have some of the same plants because we all divide and share.



Useful Links



Ennismore Garden Club Facebook Page

- **♦ OHA Trillium Newsletter** <u>www.gardenontario.org</u>
- ✿ Omemee and District Horticultural Society <u>www.omemeeblooms.ca</u>
- ✿ Peterborough Horticultural www.peterboroughhort.com
- Lakefield Horticultural www.lakefieldhort.org
- Selwyn Township Guide
- Garden Making gardenmaking.com

Peterborough and Area Master Gardeners Presents

Bulbs for All Seasons



September 28th, 2019 9-3:30

Westdale United Church 1509 Sherbrooke St. Ptbo, ON

Come Join Us For A Fun Day Of Learning

Speakers: Dugald Cameron, former owner of GardenImport
"Summer flowering bulbs - exotic flower, foliage and fragrance
all summer long".

Victoria Whitney from Griffins Greenhouse "2020: Insight on How To Plant for Spring Bulb Beauty"

A seasonal demonstration and a chance to win a prize! There will also be an assortment of bulbs for sale.

Cost: \$35 pp. Early Bird \$40 pp. After Sept. 1st Includes coffee/tea, snacks and lunch

Contact: Margaret 705-876-1771 mahiggins@sympatico.ca www.peterboroughmastergardeners.com



Ennismore Scarecrow Contest

"JOIN IN THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT, BUILD A SCARECROW!"

All proceeds will be donated to the St. Martin's Youth Group

All scarecrows will be judged in the same category. **Scarecrows** will be judged on originality, creativeness and craftsmanship. This year **the community** will vote for the winner online. A link will be provided on the Ennismore Scarecrow Facebook page during judging week!

Our GRAND PRIZE this year.... \$400 Gift Card to 'Americana Hotel & Water Park in Niagara Falls' and a \$100 Gas Gift Card

Register Your Scarecrow at Sullivan's General Store

Fri. Sept 27th 4-7pm Sat. Sept 28 9-2pm

We love seeing the scarecrows up around town and can't wait to see the creativity Ennismore has to offer this year.

Make it a fun FAMILY EVENT!

CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1) Scarecrow must be visible from the road
- Must be within Ennismore boundaries (including roads/subdivisions just west of Boundary Road)
- 3) Can be any size, shape, but must be homemade
- Contest registration number must be visible somewhere on your display
- 5) Cost \$20.00 (cash only) to enter.

Important Dates (Please Adhere to Them)

- October 6th- All Scarecrows must be up
- Oct 7th to 8th- Youth Leaders will be taking pictures
 of all Scarecrows. If yours is not up, your picture will
 not be posted on our Facebook page for voting.
- Oct 6th-25th- Ennismore Scarecrow Tour (if possible try to keep your Scarecrow up until the 25th)
- Oct 13th-19th- VOTING WEEK. The community will vote using a link posted on our Facebook page.
- Oct 20th- WINNER ANNOUNCED!