



Kemptville Horticultural Society Newsletter

November, 2023

(see also www.gardenontario.org/site.php/kemptville)

Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2023

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** All welcomed, including 3 guests.
2. **HOSPITALITY:** Diane Colbeck and Anne Gow were thanked.
3. **MINUTES OF JUNE 21 IN-PERSON MEETING:** Acceptance of the minutes moved by Heather Armstrong, seconded by Mary-Alice Hossie.
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Acceptance moved by Victor Desroches, seconded by Mary Carlson.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - *Garden strolls:* Thanks to all the members and others who opened their gardens for visits on Wednesday evenings and to Diane Duford for organizing the strolls program.
 - *Awards/social night in October:* For those who wish to attend, be sure to pay Lise \$35 tonight. Garden-related door prizes would be welcomed.
 - *Community gardening initiative at Kemptville College:* Open House, September 23 from 1:00-3:00.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - *Sign-up sheet for hostesses for 2024 meetings* will be circulated.
 - *Program chair(s) for Rotary Park:* Seeking interested members – watering will be one task.
 - *Elections at Nov AGM:* All positions will be open, President, VP, Secretary, 4 Directors (Treasurer is an appointed position).

7. COMMITTEE REPORT

Program (Diane Duford): November's speaker will demonstrate making a holiday wreath and items will be for sale; 2024 includes 7 in-person speaker evenings; awaiting the report from the Communities in Bloom judges.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

- Life Member Jean Sears recently died at age 97.
- There was a discussion about a plant exchange or sale in the fall in future years.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT

Friday 10:30 coffee get-together at Bubba & Bugs on Prescott Street on October 6.

GARDENING 101 – TWO PRESENTATIONS

Mary Alice Hosie on gardens in Kenya and Uganda

Joelle Meijer on a pie-shaped garden design

Fall flower show in the lobby. Thanks to everyone who contributed and special thanks to flower show committee members for all their hard work.

Treasurer's Report – September 2023

REVENUE		
Hospitality donations from Oct 1-22 to Sept 30-23	\$30.90	20-Sep
Linda Desroches, Bishop Mills plant sale proceed from our plant donations	\$29.00	27-Sep
Members payments for Fall Awards night, \$35 per plate X 28 paid	\$980.00	29-Sep
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,039.90	As of 30-Sep
EXPENSES		
Diane Partlo, Fall Flower show Judge, cheque 453	\$100.00	20-Sep
Pentecostal Church Hall monthly meeting, cheque 454	\$175.00	20-Sep
Lise Snedden, monthly hospitality supplies, paid from petty cash	\$68.80	20-Sep
Lise Snedden, member cards, bereavement cards, paid from petty cash	\$42.50	20-Sep
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$386.30	
ASSETS		
Bank Balance, 30 September	\$5,945.29	
Petty cash, 30 September	\$142.80	
Investment, special project fund GIC, 0.65% interest, matures March 1/24	\$2,696.34	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$8,784.43	

Treasurer's Report – October 2023

REVENUE		
Silent Auction	\$140.00	18-Oct
Members payments for Fall Awards night, \$35.00 per plate X 11 members	\$385.00	18-Oct
TOTAL REVENUE	\$525.00	as of Oct 31, 2023
EXPENSES		
Gail Bourque, Flower Show awards, cheque 457	\$201.75	11-Oct
Dial a Chef, 40 dinners plus taxes and tip, cheque 458	\$1,782.00	18-Oct
Pentecostal Church Hall monthly meeting, cheque 459	\$175.00	18-Oct
Linda Desroches, napkins, paid from petty cash	\$5.95	18-Oct
Bank account fees	\$4.00	31-Oct
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,168.70	
ASSETS		
Bank Balance, 31 October, 2023	\$4,027.54	
Petty cash, 30 September, 2023	\$168.19	
Investment, Special Project fund GIC, 0.65% interest, matures Mar 1/24	\$2,696.34	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,892.07	



More Garden News

Gardening with Ben and Mark November 2023

TREES FOR LIFE

Our team at [Trees for Life](#) has been busy this fall with 8 planting events. We are thankful for the support from our many volunteers who donate their time and enthusiasm to help us plant trees where we live, work and play.



GARDEN THINGS TO DO IN NOVEMBER

Winterize your roses. Hybrid teas, floribundas, grandifloras and miniatures all need to be mounded up with fresh triple mix about 60 to 80 cm high. A rose collar helps to mound the soil high enough to do the job very well.

No need to mound winter hardy shrub roses and climbers that are planted next to the wall of your home. Climbers growing against a fence should be mounded to be on the safe side. Leave this job until hard frost has hit the ground and before it pushes deep.

Wrap burlap around cedars, yews, boxwood and all broadleaf evergreens. Two layers is best: one to buffer wind and the other to insulate from the drying and burning effects of the sun reflecting off snow.

Empty your compost. Spread the finished 'good' stuff on your garden. No need to turn it under, though you can if you want to. Earthworms will do the job come spring.

Fill your compost. (Does this sound like the job that never ends? Empty, fill, empty, fill... this is why gardeners live longer: our work never stops). Dump your fallen leaves and spent annuals and tomato plants in the compost bin.

Harvest. Many veggies taste best after some frost. Leaks, Swiss chard, Brussels sprouts, cabbage and the like are ready for harvest. Carrots are sweetest now: dig what is left in your garden and store them in buckets of dry sand in your garage.

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Erick's vinaigrette

Source: DIAL A CHEF - 613 860 2539

www.dialachef.ca

Type: Dressing

Origin: Erick's Kitchen Category: Salad

Classification: 30 mins. or less

65 ml Dijon mustard
65 ml Soya sauce (Kikkoman Brand)
65 ml red wine vinegar
300 ml vegetable oil
200 ml olive oil

Instructions:

Combine vinegar, mustard and soya sauce
Mix well
Add the oils, stirring constantly

Et voila.

Keeps well in the refrigerator

Eric was gracious in sending me this recipe. Try it next time on your salads. Yummmm