



August 2017

Hello,

The golden glow and long shadows of an August evening indicates that we are moving into late summer. Ripening berries, the harvesting of tomatoes along with other luscious summer fruits, vegetables, herbs & seeds.

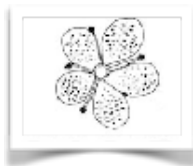
If the 24th August (St. Bartholomew) be fair and clear, then hope for a prosperous Autumn that year.

This months newsletter contains:-

- Agenda - **Trough Planting Workshop. Monday, August 28th 1:p.m at June's.** Information on what to bring etc. There will be a prize draw.
- Programme 2017. (June Strandberg & Valerie Melanson).
- Library Report. (Valerie Melanson).
- Notices.

Don't forget to take a look at the **AGCVI website**.

- Website: <http://alpinegardenersofcvi.wixsite.com/agcvi> (Acknowledgement to Teri Hyde).



TROUGH PLANTING WORKSHOP. AUG 28TH 2017 AT JUNE'S START 1PM.

TO BRING:

A trough you have made previously - if you have one.

An empty trough, pot or bowl to plant up. One you are able to carry home when full of soil, rocks and plants.

Gritty, well draining soil to fill.

Rocks - optional.

Plants.

Labels and marker.

Trowel.

Gloves.

We will discuss your previous trough – what you like about it, what you would have done differently etc. Then plant up your new trough.

If you have spare plants to sell or trade, please bring them. I should have a few available for a donation to the club plant sale.

I NEED A COUPLE OF PEOPLE HERE ABOUT 12:30p.m. TO HELP GET THE TABLES DOWN FROM BRYAN'S - AND PUT BACK WHEN WE ARE DONE. LOUISE IS BRINGING HER VEHICLE TO TRANSPORT.

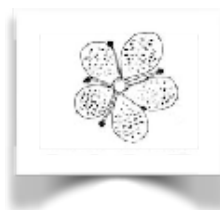
IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON ATTENDING PLEASE LET ME KNOW – SO WE HAVE SOME IDEA OF HOW MANY TABLES TO HAUL.

THERE WILL BE A DRAW.

BRING YOUR OWN SNACK AND MUG. TEA AND COFFEE PROVIDED.

IF YOU HAVE ANY SAVED SEEDS FOR OUR EXCHANGE PLEASE BRING THEM ALONG.

WE NEED ANOTHER VOLUNTEER TO BRING COOKIES FOR THE SEPTEMBER 25TH MEETING AT SHELLY ROAD. Any questions Email June - normjune@shaw.ca



**AGCVI PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE as at August 21st, 2017.
2017.**

PLEASE START SAVING YOUR SEEDS FOR AGCVI & AGCBC EXCHANGES .

Any questions Email June - normjune@shaw.ca

August 28th - Dish Garden Workshop Follow-up – review last year’s troughs/dish gardens, fix any problems. Plant up a trough, pot or bowl. At June Strandberg’s **1:p.m.** Bring any saved seeds you have already; See Sept. for information.

Sept 25th – at **Shelly Hall, Parksville: 1:p.m.** (doors open 12:30p.m.) We hope to have a guest speaker. **THERE WILL BE A PLANT SALE : PROCEEDS to AGCVI FUNDS.** Please start potting up anything you can spare. We need to top up our plant sale fund as we were short at our main plant sale in April due to adverse weather. Please bring you **saved seeds** - properly labeled or with as much information as you can. These seeds will be for our **own and AGCBC Seed Exchanges.** We hope to distribute our seeds at the **Oct. 30th** meeting. Seed envelopes available from June.

Oct 30th – **Bulb Workshop 1:p.m.** (doors open at 12:30p.m) **Lions Room, Nanoose Place:**– watch email for more details.

Nov 27th – CHRISTMAS LUNCH.

2018 – WATCH FOR UPDATE THIS FALL ON OUR PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR.



Library Report:- Valerie Melanson.

The Library will be at the **September 25th** meeting at Shelly Hall & the **October 30th** meeting at Nanoose Place.

If you have any books out, could you please return them, or renew at the **September or October meeting**. If there is anything you would like to sign out in the meantime, let me know at melanson.valerie@gmail.com.



Hello, my name is Nero. I assist Bev in the garden by keeping deer and rabbits out of the garden. My reward cookies.



Bev's Garden.

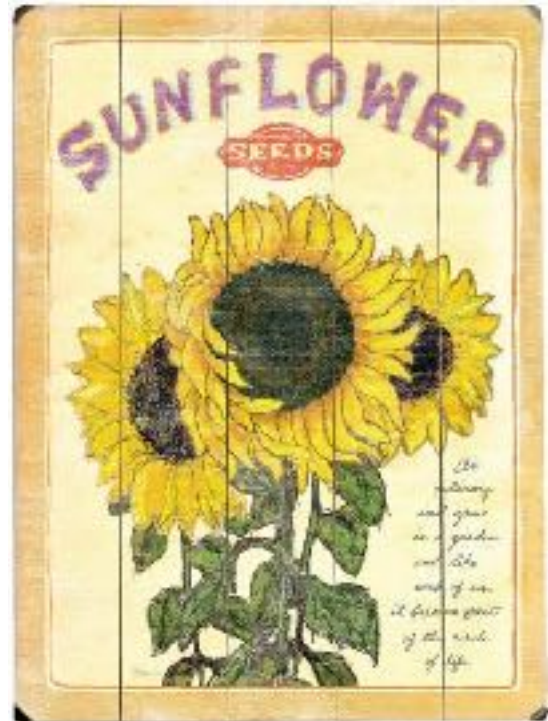


Carolina Allspice Tree.
Blooms all summer long.
Aroma like fermenting wine.

(Photography courtesy Kirsten Juergensen).



Notices:-



Qualicum Beach Garden Club.

Tuesday September **12th** 2017.

7:30p.m.

'Bees in your Garden & Beyond'.

Speaker - Maria van den Berg; Experienced Commercial beekeeper/apiarist based locally.

Guests \$3.00 at the door.

Eaglecrest Garden Club.

Wednesday September **20th** 2017.

7:p.m.

'Seed Saving & Grasses'.

Speaker - Kathy Claxton.

Guests \$3.00 at the door.

For more info. Jenny 250 954 3888

