



March 2014 Newsletter

Regular Meeting at Nanoose Place on **31st March, 2014**

Doors open at 12:00pm. Meeting begins at 12:30pm.

Nanoose Place Directions: Turn off the Island Highway at Nanoose Petrocan, onto Northwest Bay Road. Follow the road up the hill to Nanoose Place on the right side of the road. (The turn-off for the Red Gap shopping centre is on the left.) We will meet in the far corner room overlooking Eswyn's rock garden.

MEETING REMINDERS: **Don't forget your Mug. **Please wear a Name Tag.
Please bring tools, kneeler, gloves and a weed pail to help in Eswyn's garden afterwards.
Help from members for meeting set-up and clean up is always appreciated.

Meeting Agenda

Are there any additions to the agenda?

Minutes January 27th meeting

Reports:

Publicity re Kenton Seth and Cliff Booker

Plant Sales

Margot- Mexican Bowl Rocks

Eswyn's Garden Report

?Refreshments

Powerpoint Presentation by Valerie: All About Seeds - An Introduction: What you need to know about how plants create seeds & how to collect, clean and save them

Plant Draw

Visit to Eswyn's garden to view and to help with weeding. If you would like to help, please bring your kneeler, gloves, tools, a pail for weeds and your camera!

Next meeting: April 28th at 12:15pm at June's - 1980 Island Highway, Qualicum Beach

Potting up for plant sales and doing cuttings.

Adjourn

Goodies for the March meeting: Mike, Linda and Marion

March Plant Draw: We have sufficient plants for this month's plant draw.

Our first Plant Sale will be on *Sunday, May 11th* - 10am to 2pm. Please start potting up!

Mexican Bowl Rocks: Margot is bringing 5 pieces of Mexican bowl rock to the meeting. Each piece is about 30 pounds and costs around \$12. She will price each individually and it will be first come, first served. She could pick up more if sufficient interest is shown.



AGCVI Regular Meeting Notes - 24th February, 2014

Hans Roemer was our speaker, driving from Victoria through some very bad weather. Thank you Hans! We had a good sized group considering that it snowed all day and that we had quite a few inches on the ground.

Hans gave a wonderful presentation showing photos of his bulbs and telling us why we are able to grow them here.

If anyone else would like to order Hans bulbils (see emailed lists), please send choices to June: normjune@shaw.ca

AGCVI Information Items

We have a list of SIG Alpines and Rock Garden Plants' Activities from our start in 2006 through Dec. 2013. Anyone who would like this emailed to them, contact June.

AGCVI members are working on republishing all of the handouts from our former SIG. They are looking for *Rock Gardens and Alpines* by Almuth Scolz (one of Eswyn's books) to copy some illustrations from it. It is not in the library so may have been taken by a members we when were invited to take books for ourselves. If you can help to locate this book, please contact Mike Miller: stelmike@telus.net.

The club has received by email a copy of The BC Council of Garden Clubs Newsletter for March/April. Anyone wanting the Newsletter forwarded regularly, please email June.

The Vancouver Island Rock and Alpine Garden Society's Spring Show and Sale is on Friday May 2nd, 2pm to 9pm and Saturday May 3rd, 9am to 3pm. We will car-pool down on **Saturday**, leaving here around 7am. For more information or if you would like to go, please email June.

Our annual Whistler trip is planned for **August 11th to 14th**. You must make your own hotel arrangements. Please contact June for further details.

Goodies' Sign up for upcoming meetings

April meeting: Dorothy, Gladys and Lori

May meeting: Suzanne, Jo

If you can bring goodies for future meetings, please contact Barbara at bkulla@shaw.ca.

UPCOMING 2014 AGCVI EVENTS-Please mark your calendar!

Monday, April 28th: REGULAR AGCVI MEETING: Cutting and Potting Up Session 12:15pm at June's - 1980 Island Hwy, QB

Saturday, May 3rd: ROAD TRIP TO VIRAGS SPRING SHOW & SALE in Victoria

Saturday, May 11th: AGCVI Plant Sale at Lori's 10am - 2pm

Saturday, May 24th: AGCVI Plant Sale at QB Farmers' Market

Monday, May 26th: REGULAR AGCVI MEETING with Guest Speaker KENTON SETH from Colorado

Monday, June 30th: REGULAR AGCVI MEETING: topic TBA - possibly Hypertufa or Garden Tour

Monday, July 28th, REGULAR AGCVI MEETING with Guest Speaker CLIFF BOOKER from UK

Monday, August 11 to Thursday, August 14 - EXPEDITION TO WHISTLER

Monday, August 25th: REGULAR AGCVI MEETING:

Monday, September 29th: REGULAR AGCVI MEETING:

Monday, October 27th : REGULAR AGCVI MEETING:

Monday, November 24th - CHRISTMAS LUNCH

AGCVI Board Members 2014

President - June Strandberg

Vice-President - Barbara Kulla

Treasurer - Mike Miller

Secretary - Janet Phillips

Newsletter - Jo Graham

Journal/Publicity - Valerie Melanson

Website Administrator - Sue Beatty

Refreshment Co-ordinator - Barbara Kulla

Plant Sale Co-ordinator - Louise Cotterill

Photographer - Kirsten Juergensen

Librarian - Barb Lemoine, Assistant - Sue Beatty

Archivist - June Strandberg

Membership / Monthly Plant Draw Co-ordinator - Marion Summerer