

WHITE ROCK and DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

GENERAL MEETING, OCTOBER 13, 2020

via Zoom

2:05 - **Virtual meeting called to order.** 19 members in attendance via ZOOM.

Guest Speaker, Christine Allen started her presentation, "Growing Great Roses" via ZOOM. The club recorded the presentation and it will be available for viewing, by members, on the WRSSG club website for 30 days. John will forward the video to all.

2:45 – **Q & A** hosted by Christine Allen.

3:10 - **Business Meeting:** started by the President, Mary Openshaw

Adoption of Minutes: for September 8, 2020 general meeting: Motion – Diane Kew, 2nd – Margrit, passed .

President's Report: May said she was enjoying the Wednesday Weekly emails and they will now be on the website, under the Education tab. A new contributor list is being circulated and a call will be going out to the club to ask if other club members would like to contribute.

All club member may go to the virtual BC Council of Garden Clubs meeting on October 24th. You need to register first. All the details are in a previous email sent out to the club.

Patti Wolczuk has several indoor Hibiscus plants to donate to members.

Treasurer's Report: Lorna reported on the club's treasury. Details will be available on request.

Past President's Report: Patti welcomed our new members. Patti is recruiting for the executive positions. We especially need someone for Vice President. Other open positions are: Treasurer, Website (Bev is looking), Trophies, Programs & Memberships.

Newsletter Director's Report: John is assuming everyone is getting the newsletters.

Show Director's Report (including Show Secretary and Trophies/Properties): Donna reported: I have been in contact with Come Share Society regarding Christmas arrangements for this year. They have not been able to deliver anything to any of their clients (due to Covid, of course) and will not be able to do so at Christmas this year unless a miracle happens with the pandemic. They are very appreciative of our help over the years, and will certainly let us know if anything changes, but very doubtful. The schedule for the Virtual November show seems to be acceptable. the web site committee has made suggestions for the December small show, some of which we will use, and the rest will be chosen from the more popular classes used during past years. This will be completed this week. Donna.

Program Director's Report: Margrit reported that the information on Roses for today's presentation by Christine Allen was sent out by email. We are looking for new speaker suggestions. Please send emails to Margrit with names and subjects.

Website Director's Report: Bev reported that we are getting monthly updates for the website. Lots is being added every month. Website committee is great, working hard. They are working on a trophy page. Please send in more ideas. Mary O. recorded a "Planting Garlic" video to post on the website and it will be sent out. Donna and Margrit are organizing a Virtual Parlour Show for November. Information will be sent out to the membership. \$200 was spent so we could host meetings on ZOOM. Please send any pictures you think others may enjoy – gardening related. Mary is considering doing a video on "Cuttings".

Publicity Director's Report: Collene phoned in stating that we made it into the local newspaper's advertising section this time.

Membership Director's Report: Tim reported - We have 76 members including 3 Lifetime members. Looking for 5 more. How about 5 members help sign up a new member. *"Each one bring one"* to the next meeting.

Plant Sale Director's Report: Terry reported having ever bearing Raspberry canes. Come to her place to pick up. She is still harvesting raspberries. Melanie has offered to store any divided plants and sell them from her driveway.

New Business: - Contest for the November Virtual Parlour Show . Members will be voting on submitted pictures in the category "A Scene in Your Garden". Details to be emailed to members.

Adjournment: 3:40 Motion to adjourn by Tim, 2nd by Melanie. Motion passed

Minutes taken by Johanna.