



**White Rock and District Garden Club
Mar. 14, 2023
General Meeting
Cranley Hall
and on Zoom
Minutes**

40 members attended the meeting

President Darlene Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.
Darlene welcomed all those who attended the meeting and welcomed 4 guests.

Minutes: Terry Haight moved that the minutes of Feb.14, 2023 be accepted as circulated. Eleanor Enns seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Eileen MacBean reported that we currently have a balance of \$1235.04 with some outstanding cheques.

Membership Report: Fran Depchuk welcomed new member Patricia Corden.

Programs Report : Elizabeth Young reported there is a sign up sheet circulating for the SunYat Sen Garden tour on Thursday June 15. The admission will be \$12.50 per person. The tour will be 1 and ½ hours followed by lunch. The bus will be paid for by the club.

Eleanor Enns reported on future program plans as follows:

May 23 - Tour of Petals and Butterfly Garden. Can bring your own lunch.

July - Tour of member's gardens. Let Eleanor know if you are interested.

Oct. - Honey Bee Store

Future plans are for another garden tour.

Plant Sale Report: Terry Haight reported Joyce has enough paper bags for the Garden Stuff table but needs more garden related donations. Terry needs a folding wagon and card table and help with transporting plants. She will be looking for members to put up signs especially in high traffic areas.

Terry also has a poster to recruit new members that she would like posted around the community.

Floral Art Report: Bev Sass and Donna Lawson reported on the club's various floral shows thorough out the year. Bev indicated the new password for the member's only section of the website is "1IrisforU!"

Donna described the 5 judged Parlour Shows which are held at the meetings throughout the year. The Spring Floral Circle display is held at the mall. The Floral Circle started in 2004 and is more advanced floral design. The floral Circle meets once a month.

The fall Show is held at the Mall usually in September. Dahlias are the most common flower displayed. The entries are judged.

Trophies are awarded at the end of the year.

Floral Art participants begin as novices and after 6 blue ribbons move to advanced. Prizes are awarded for each show. Trophies are also awarded.

Bev displayed the website where the information about the Shows is available. All the forms are printable. Show guidelines, definitions and entry forms are on the website.

Members bring their entry form and give it to the Show Secretary. All entries need to be on the table by 1:45 pm as judging starts at 2:00 pm. Yellow signs mark the categories. Remember to put your member number on the form. There will be a photo booth at the beginning of the meeting so entries can be photographed there first before being put on the table.

Beginner classes in Floral Art are available through Donna. Contact her if interested.

Members are encouraged to attend the Spring Show in Semiahmoo Mall on April 22nd to support the Floral Circle and the club.

New Business: Darlene Chamberlain described the following:

A brochure is being developed to describe the club for new members

Iby is unable to continue in the Trophy position so a new member is needed to manage the trophies.

50/50 was won by Terry Haight

Plant of the Month - A Kalanchoe was described by Bev Polywan and was won by Tiffany Siveni.

Presentations: Robert Kootnikoff from Peninsula Tree Preservation presented on pruning.

Adjournment: Margrit Elmiger-Isert moved the meeting be adjourned. Tim Roark seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm

Next Meeting: April 11, 2023

