

# Over The Garden Wall

**White Rock & District Garden Club April, 2021**

<https://www.white-rock-garden-club.ca/>

Diane Kew, President

Mary Openshaw, Acting Secretary

Tim Roark, Treasurer

## President's Message

### Cherry Trees

Happy spring everyone. Global news reported that there are 40 thousand cherry trees in Vancouver; can you imagine the display of blossoms everywhere. What a wonderful sight.

### Good Shot

I'm hoping most of us have been vaccinated or have scheduled appointments. This brings us closer to being together again in person. It certainly has been a challenge.

### Salmonella

For the members who feed birds; the salmonella outbreak is still around; killing some birds, especially the siskens. Please check with your local supplier; some are recommending taking the feeders down until this clears up.

Stay healthy everyone, enjoy the sun and happy gardening. Cheers.

*Diane Kew, President's*

## Plants for Sale

### Hanging Baskets

A limited number of hanging baskets are being offered for sale by our Plant Sale Committee on a first come, first served basis. If you wish to order please contact Linda Bradley at [whatdayisitbradley@gmail.com](mailto:whatdayisitbradley@gmail.com). Please indicate your choice of Sun or Shade as well as the number of baskets. The price range varies from \$18.00 - \$25.00 depending on the size of the baskets. Special thanks to contributors Patti Wolczuk,



Mary Openshaw, Donna Lawson.

*Linda Bradley, Membership*

## Volunteers Needed

### For Plant Sale

We need 4 people with strong backs to help at plant sale May 8<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 2 pm,

Also, I have some empty plant pots if anyone needs them.

*Terry Haight, Plants Plus/Sales*

## April Plant of the Month

### Wallflower Erysimum x Winter Passion

I chose a hybrid Wallflower Erysimum x Winter Passion

This a new series of Wallflower that was specifically created by crossing many different species to give better plants, with more colours and longer flowering. These hybrid varieties bloom non-stop for months through spring and summer. The Winter series provides the largest plants with the biggest flowers. This selection produces **fragrant flowers**

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**spikes in shades of ruby red and russet over dark green foliage.**

**Height: 16-18"**

**Spread: 18-24"**

**Hardiness: -12\* C**

It will do well in normal dry, well-drained soil in full sun. It attracts butterflies.

*Iris Peacosh*

## Website Report

### Website Updates Added

- Confirmed speakers are shown on the **Events** page. More will be added once booked by Frances
- New photos have been added to slider bars (thanks to everyone who submitted pictures)
- April gardening reminders were added to the **Events Calendar** (thanks to Margrit & Melanie)
- Previous months Newsletters, Meeting Minutes and updated Executive list on **Members Only** page
- Icon at the top of the page now takes you to the club's You Tube page
- Educational videos can also be viewed on the **Education** page
- Wednesday Weekly's will soon be available from the Events Calendar

Have you been enjoying the Zoom series "Gabbing About Gardening" with Lucretia Schanfarber and guests? The club pays a small monthly donation so that we can all benefit from talks with knowledgeable gardeners. They are a great addition to the speakers we see during club meetings. For those of you on Facebook, you can view the recordings on Lucretia's Facebook page if you missed the Monday Zoom call.

FYI. Attendance is usually 60-80 people and since most attendees mute both the microphone and video, it's just like watching TV.

*Website Committee*

*(Mary Openshaw, Melanie Rantucci, Margrit Elmiger-Isert, Marilyn Murphy and Bev Sass)*

## Marketplace

### Advertisements

Club Members can place an ad in our newsletter or send an email ad between newsletters to our members for only \$5. Non members can also place ads or email ads for \$10. Non members must be vouched for by a club member. This space will let members know you have something to sell that may interest them. If the item is free, then there is no ad fee. Any sales are private between the seller and the buyer since our constitution does not allow sales for private profit at our meetings. All ad fees go to the club.

*John Davidson, Newsletter*

### Tool Sharpening



CHIP

604.245.6663

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13708 20 Ave  
Surrey, B.C.

### Printer

New, never used, CANON PRIXMA PRINTER TR 4527. includes 2 new colour and black and white cartridges. \$40.00

**Call Collene Ford 778-545-5357** ASAP as moving.

### Sun Pod

A mini greenhouse, cedar wood construction with plexiglass sides and a clear vinyl removable top. One side opens for air circulation. The Velcro edging for holding the cover has all been recently replaced. It measures 30"x 37" and 33" in height. We no longer need it as we now have a greenhouse. I paid \$275 new and would like

**\$75.**

**Call Iris at 604-536-5506.**



## Light Fixture

An antique white dining room fixture. Good working condition and can be used indoors. Or, you can get creative, use it in a shed, covered patio, or convert it to a plant hanger. It was \$625 new and I would like



\$75.  
Call Iris at 604-536-5506.

## Juicy Bits

### Funky Bird

Our Member, Bernice spotted this bird on the Stewart Trail. Could be an Egret.

*Submitted by Bernice Day*



## Instant Pot Hack For Germinating Seeds

Bet you didn't think of this use for your Instant Pot.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/ottawa/ottawa-gardener-alternate-use-instant-pot-germinate-seeds-1.5966064>

*Submitted By Chip Gho*

## Definition of Gardening

Gardening means hope. Gardeners believe what goes down must come up.

*Submitted by Tim Roark*

## Words of Wisdom



*Submitted by Mary Openshaw*

## Next Meeting

April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm

This will be a Zoom meeting. Details on how to join the meeting to follow.

