



NEWSLETTER PINE RIDGE GARDEN CLUB

"Where Gardeners Come To Bloom"



NESTLETON, ONTARIO
MEMBER OF DISTRICT 17 ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

September—October, 2019

President: Norma Haney

Membership: Carolyn Humphrey

Tuesday, Sept. 3rd

Meeting at 7:30 pm

Speaker: Dugald Cameron

Topic: *"Late Season Colour & Blooms"*

Fall Flower & Vegetable Show—

see Schedule,
pages 22—23 of the Yearbook

**NOTE: Entries must be on the table
between 5:30-6:30 pm**

Tuesday, October 1st

Meeting at 7:30 pm

Speaker: Denis Flanagan

Topic: *"What's New—What's Hot"*

**Dessert Night—Best Looking Dessert
Contest**

*Please bring your desserts in by 7:15 pm
at the latest*

President's Message

Hot, humid weather in mid July made it difficult to work in my garden. Only by starting in the early morning and working in the shadier areas as the day progressed, was I able to keep up with the chores, especially the weeding.

If you are like me and appreciate foods fresh from the garden, growing your own is so rewarding. A plate of sliced tomatoes sprinkled with basil and drizzled with olive oil tastes so much better when you grow them!

The September Flower and Vegetable Show provides you with a great opportunity to show off some of those great blooms and vegetables from your garden. There should be an abundance of plant material in your garden or along the roadsides to help create some distinctive designs. So start planning for this show now.

Also, Dugald Cameron will be there to provide us with some great info on improving our fall gardens.

I am counting on you to support our October Best Looking Dessert contest. It's so much fun and we get to sample some absolutely delicious desserts. So start checking your recipe books now.

Denis Flanagan always has so much first-hand knowledge on what's new from the trial gardens. You won't want to miss him.

Norma



Dessert Night
Best Looking Dessert Contest

October 1st is our Dessert Night Fundraiser. Why not prepare one of your favourite desserts and enter this contest—pies, cakes, bars, etc. are all welcome. Please ensure they are plated and ready to be easily served. Our judges are looking for the **best looking** dessert. We know they taste good. So get creative with your presentation—you entry might just win. Don't forget to drop off your desserts by 7:15 pm at the latest. This allows time for the helpers to register your entry. You will enjoy a great tasting dessert and beverage for a \$3.00 donation. Your support of this fundraiser is truly appreciated.

July Best In Show Winners

Horticulture: Linda Brunton

Design: Grace Bajema

Out & About
Upcoming Fall Fairs

Port Perry.....Aug.31—Sept 2
Beaverton.....Sept 13—14
Lindsay.....Sept 19
Orono.....Sept 5—8
Uxbridge.....Sept 6—8

For more info: durhamregion.com

Be sure to visit **farmer markets** at this time of the year. There is an abundance of fresh fruits and vegetables. Not only will you enjoy fresh products grown locally, but you will be supporting our farmers as well.

July Best Hat Contest

CONGRATULATIONS!

SHIRLEY LOVE



The Old Gal's Gardening Tips

****Plant Spring bulbs now.** To prevent squirrels digging up your freshly planted tulip bulbs, include some Acti-Sol in the hole and mix in with soil before planting bulbs. Sprinkle Acti-Sol on soil surface once you have completed planting. See package for additional information.

****Don't cut back ornamental grasses or Echinacea (purple coneflower) in fall.** Birds will enjoy foraging for seeds. Also, leaving some perennials standing creates winter interest in the garden.

****Rake Leaves onto your gardens—shredded is best.** Run over them with a lawnmower if possible.

****Take tip cuttings now of pelargoniums (geraniums) or any other annual you especially enjoyed this year.** Might not be available next year.

