

# 2023 Peninsula Garden Club Annual Reports



### PENINSULA GARDEN CLUB – ANNUAL REPORTS 2023

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Speakers Lindsay Down

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# Vice-President's Annual Report

This has been a year of many changes to our club. Financial reasons have made the executive members make some changes to our activities.

The Parlour Show cut its costs by eliminating prizes and trophies. A positive outcome of this change is that it has made running the Parlour Show a lot easier. Instead of having meetings in June and July, we had a garden party and a garden tour. This not only was good for our budget, it turned out to be a great success and a lot of fun. We will consider continuing these measures for next year.

The elimination of the two summer meetings allowed the Speakers Committee to recruit very impressive speakers this year. They continue to work very hard to provide speakers that target the interests of our members.

We are grateful to the vendors who continue to allow our members a discount. Thanks to Joyce Rodd for her work on this again this year.

The EBlasts sent out every month help remind our members of current events within our club and also with our partner the Victoria Horticultural Society. They welcome our members to their meetings and events.

The Spring and Fall plant sales were both held at the Mary Winspear this year. Both were very successful .The plant sales continue to help fund the expenses and activities of our club. The club has been operating in the red for a few years. The executive has worked hard to reduce the deficit with some success. We will continue trying to run the club within the funds provided by the fund raising volunteer activities and membership fees.

Sadly, Joyce Rodd and Dianne Cross are moving on from serving on the executive. We thank them for their time and dedication to the running of the club.

Personally, we would like to thank all the members of the executive who have taken on many tasks outside of their job descriptions, to compensate for executive positions that have been vacant this year. Also, big thanks to all the coordinators, helpers and volunteers that make this club work for all of us.

Janet Cram, Co-Vice President Dannie Carsen, Co-Vice President

# **Financial Annual Report 2023**

Sandra Chisholm Treasurer

This report includes the following:

Statement of Income and Expenses for the Year Ended September 30, 2023

Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2023

Notes to Financial Statements as of September 30, 2023

Review of Financial Information – Pat Currie CPA, CA (Retired)

# PENINSULA GARDEN CLUB STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

		2023	2022
INCOME			
Guests	\$	110.00	\$ 115.00
Interest		299.40	57.94
Membership Dues		3230.00	3,590.00
Plant Sales (note 1)		5609.00	4,743.00
Plant Stall (note 2)		145.25	189.95
Raffle (note 2)		425.00	365.05
Other income (note 2)		443.30	392.50
Gifts Received		10.00	20.00
Library (note 3)		1172.00	
		11443.95	9,473.44
EXPENSES		_	
December Social	\$	27.64	-
Fees, Licenses, Permits	*	105.00	90.00
Insurance		350.00	180.60
Library, Dues, Subscriptions (note 3)		48.15	64.76
Meeting Costs		2570.71	1,944.55
Membership/Promotion/Gifts		22.40	- -
Newsletter		0.00	-
Office Supplies		288.64	1,491.23
Parlour Show		411.02	353.55
Post Office Box		253.05	247.80
Plant Sales (note 1)		849.15	919.10
Raffle (note 2)		380.40	265.72
Refreshments (note 2)		357.00	352.80
Speakers		1000.00	1,190.31
Website		3536.93	3,209.71
NET INCOME		10200.09	10,310.13
Income	\$	1243.86	\$ (836.69)
NET INCOME (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	\$	1,243.86	\$ (836.69)

### PENINSULA GARDEN CLUB STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023		2022	
ASSETS				
Cash - Coast Capital	\$	5012.83	\$	4570.37
Cash - Tangerine Savings		15484.09		14682.69
Coast Capital Share	<u> </u>	5.00		5
	\$	20501.92	\$	19258.06
FUND BALANCE		20501.92		19258.06
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	2023		2022	
INCOME	\$	11443.95	\$	9473.44
EXPENSES	_	10200.09		10310.13
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	1,243.86	\$	(836.69)
FUND BALANCE				
Beginning of the year	\$	19258.06	\$	20094.75
Net Income (Loss)		1,243.86		(836.69)
End of the year	\$	20501.92	\$	19258.06
Approved by the Executive				
Vice President		Da	ite Oc	t5,2027
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# PENINSULA GARDEN CLUB NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

### 1 Plant Sales

	2023	2022
	Revenue Expenses Profit	Revenue Expenses Profit
Spring	\$ 4,559.00 578.18 3,980.82	<b>\$</b> 3561.00 480.41 3080.59
Fall	1050.00 270.97 779.03	1182.00 438.69 743.31
	\$ 5609.00 849.15 4759.85	<b>\$</b> 4743.00 919.10 3823.90

### 2 Plant Stall, Raffle and Refreshments

		2023			2022	
	Revenue E	xpenses	Profit	Revenue E	xpenses	Profit
Plant Stall	\$ 145.25	0.00	145.25	189.95	0.00	189.95
Raffle	425.00	380.40	44.60	365.05	265.72	99.33
Refreshments	443.30	357.00	86.30	392.50	352.80	39.70

3 <b>Library</b>		2023				
	Revenue E	xpenses Profit				
	\$ 1172.00	48.15 1123.85				

Extraordinary liquidation of library books and shelving units

### 4 Cash Floats

Five cash floats are confirmed at year end and are not recorded as assets.

	 2023		 2022
Treasurer	\$ 50	Treasurer	\$ 50
Guests	30	Guests	30
Membership	150	Membership	125
Plant Stall	20	Plant Stall	20
Raffle	 20	Raffle	 20
	\$ 270		\$ 245

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To the Members of:

The Peninsula Garden Club

I have reviewed the financial information for the year ended September 30, 2023 as provided by the treasurer of the club. I found that the records were in good order and that the year-end statements presented fairly the income and expenditures of the club and the cash position at September 30, 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Pat Currie CPA CA (retired)

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### **Electronic Distribution**

I have continually provided Peninsula Garden Club information to members throughout the past year. The information must always be authorized by the Executive.

Also, through the Membership Coord, I notify members when their membership requires renewing and the process to have it renewed.

The information is provided to approximately 191 members through Address Indicating Groups.

I have enjoyed providing information to PGC members and find it a pleasure to work with such positive members of the Peninsula Garden Club.

Ann Andrews
Electronic Distribution Coordinator

# **Membership Report**

A busy year on the membership committee this year. We had 24 new members join during the past membership year (October 1 to September 30), and 98 members also renewed their memberships, keeping them up to date. Unfortunately, we have 28 members who are more than 6 months in arrears with their memberships, and another 20 members who have not renewed since the beginning of May. We are in the process of contacting these members in order to determine their wishes regarding the club. We will be removing members after 6 months in arrears beginning in October.

Ann Andrews continues to send out membership renewal reminder to members as they become due. Thanks to her for this work. Thanks to our treasurer, Sandra Chisholm, members are now able to renew their memberships through e transfer. Please contact the membership committee for information on how to use this very welcome feature.

Thanks to Audrey McClellan, Dianne Cross and Bernice Betts, who have been helpers on the committee.

Jane Stollery Membership Coordinator

# **Parlour Show Annual Report**

This year we had five judged shows and two un-judged show. Many thanks go to our friends from Vancouver Island Horticultural Judges Group, for their wonderful judging and helpful comments.

Changes to the Parlour Show included the elimination of the points system and trophies. These changes have made it much easier to operate the show and have aided in the club keeping within the budget.

Memorable entries include; Bonita Elliott's St. Patrick's Day arrangement, Jan Dew's collection of 5 different flowers and Aase Bradley's collection of tomatoes. Many thanks go to all the participants who gave us so many lovely things to look at this year. The committee will meet in November to produce a schedule for next year.

We are; Della Garvin, Marg Kirkpatrick, Jan Dew, Lynn Nash, Bonita Elliott, and Janet Cram, your Parlour Show Committee

### **Plant Sales**

This year, we tried something a little different. The Spring Plant Sale was held outdoors in the Mary Winspear south parking lot. The staff at Mary Winspear were very helpful in cordoning off a large section for us. We had marquis to cover the cash, library and children's corner tables. Luckily, Mother Nature was kind. We made a gross of approximately \$4,500.00. Our expenses at \$600 were a little higher than normal due to the purchase of soil, seeds and pots.

There were successes and failures with this new venue, so we need membership opinions. The Fall Sale was held in the usual Room Two location. Attendance was slow and steady, and we did well with a net profit of \$779. We thank the entire membership for all the volunteer hours, plant donations and support. Let's get ready for a fun 2024.

Joyce Rodd

# **Plant Stall**

The plant stall raised \$ 145.25 from the plants and plant-related items donated by members. The money raised supports the Club's activities.

Thank you to all members for your support over the last fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted by Coordinators Cheryl Applewhaite & Sheila Flasko.

# **Raffle Committee Report**

The committee at this time consists of myself, Johanne Byskov, Sylvia Alderson, and Jill Harrison. Ethel Mailhot and Heather Berrang expressed interest in helping but due to health issues and travel it didn't work out last year. I'll contact them again to see if they're still interested.

The Raffle ran smoothly all year with no problems. As in the past, three plants were purchased from local nurseries for up to \$60 per meeting and tickets sold before the meeting and during the break, and the draw held at the end of the meeting.

Diane Gray

### **Sunshine Lady**

I have written only 2 cards for our members this year. Thank you to the members who have informed me of circumstances that warranted a response from the Sunshine Lady on behalf of the Garden Club. Because of your awareness, a caring note sent during difficult times has been received with appreciation.

I can be reached by phone, personal email or on the Website Gmail.

Sincerely,

Josée Smith - Sunshine Lady

250-652-1910 email: brianjosee@yahoo.co

# **Speakers Committee Report**

The following speakers addressed the Garden Club in the past year:

October 3, 2022 Michael Cohen, The Shade Garden

November 14, 2022 Deanna Petit-gas, Planting a Cutting Garden December 12, 2022 Werner Grundman, Garden Railroading

February 13, 2023 Dr. Pamela Spalding, Ethnobotany and Indigenous

Landscapes

March 13, 2023 Bruce Carter, Garden Irrigation

April 10, 2023 Noah Alexander, Pruning May 8, 2023 Abby Hyde, Pollinators

June 12, 2023 Bonita Elliot, Susan McRae and Cathy Schulhauser,

Floral Art Tips for Garden Bouquets

September 11, 2023 Bernice Betts, Xeriscape Gardening

Submitted by the members of the Speakers Committee: Lindsay Down, Susan McRae and Cathy Schulhauser

### **PGC Web Site**

The PGC Web site (peninsulagardenclub.ca) is updated monthly with information regarding the Program Speaker, Events that are coming up, Parlour Show categories, Parlour Show reports, People's Choice winners, Meeting Minutes, Financial reports, Speaker Presentations or handouts and new Horticultural information. The Web site is well utilized and is the communication tool and stores our key documents for our members and to recruit new members who are interested in gardening. Minor updates in format and design have occurred over the year to keep the web site easy to use and relevant. A survey has been developed by an ad hoc Web site committee, consisting of Bonita Elliott, Susan McRae and Dannie Carsen, to determine next steps in regard to the web site.

Respectfully submitted, Bonita Elliott Web site Coordinator

### **Website Committee**

The website survey was undertaken during early September and provided evidence of low usage of the website. Only 50% of those surveyed used the website, and of those who did, the average usage was 2x per month or 6x annually. There were a number of comments of how the website could be improved, but 70% of those surveyed thought the PGC should have a website. The Website Review Committee will be meeting to discuss the results of the survey, what improvements could be made, how the website could better serve club members and the particular linkages on the site that need to be updated.

Dannie Carsen (Chair), Susan McRae, Bonita Elliott, and Ellen Young