



**White Rock and District Garden Club
March. 8, 2022
General Meeting Cranley Hall
and on Zoom
Minutes**

33 members attending
7 members on zoom

President: Darlene Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 2:21 pm. Darlene thanked Bev and Melanie for their support. Darlene spoke about International Women's day, a global day celebrating achievements of women. The United nations proclaimed the first official day on March 8, 1975. 3 Guests were introduced.

Minutes: Eileen Davidson moved that the minutes of Feb 8, 2022 be accepted as circulated. Joyce O'Brien seconded.

Terry Haight introduced the speaker Christine Allen whose topic was "The Chosen Few".

50/50 Draw was won by Darlene Chamberlain. Darlene chose to donate it to the Red Cross Ukrainian Fund.

Plant of the Month: Tricolour Heather was won by Donna Lawson

Membership: Linda Bradley described a questionnaire going out to members called "Getting to Know You" and encouraged members to complete the form. She also described letters of introduction for businesses when requesting donations for the plant sale. Currently there are 66 members.

Programs Report: Terry Haight reported that she has arranged a Glades tour for May 18, 2022 at 1:00 pm for 24 members and Dart's Hill Garden tour for June 22, 2022 at 1pm for 40+ members. She is waiting to hear about another day at the Glades. The Garden Club will be paying tour costs. In April, there will be Floral Show and in May, there will be Floral Art workshop.

Terry announced the seed exchange at the Ocean Park Library has started again. She recommended Garry Point for cherry tree viewing.

She is looking for members who would share their garden this summer.

Bake Sale at the Plant Sale: Donna Lawson described requirements for bake sale donations

- no cream or meat fillings
- new plastic or paper plates
- baking well wrapped with plastic wrap and taped on the bottom
- cookies do well in a bag
- list nuts or other potential allergens
- cookies, bars, muffins, squares in 6 to 8 pieces do well
- loaves of bread do well
- gluten free or diabetic do well
- jams and pickles do well

Plant Sale: Terry Haight reported the sale will be on May 7 from 10 am to 2pm She has lots of pots if they are needed

Tags for plants can be made out of plastic containers. Include the common name of the plant, height, colour and shade or sun.

Make sure pots are clean

There are handouts about how to make tags and how to divide plants

Basket stuffers are needed for the hanging baskets

New or gently used garden implements also can be donated.

She is also looking for gently used garden items.

She reminded members to sign up to volunteer.

Liaison : Joyce O'Brien introduced Michelle who will be doing the set up and take down for the meetings.

Publicity: Joyce O'Brien reported that the ad is now appearing in the Coffee News.

Plants Plus: Joyce O'Brien. reported the new name preferred by members was "Garden Stuff".

New Business:

BC Council of Garden Clubs Meeting: Melanie Rantucci reported that the annual AGM is April 9, 2022. Usually 2 WRCG members attend.

It is expected there will be motions to tidy up the process for scholarships.

Anyone can join on zoom and zoom link will be sent out.

Re-Formating Meetings: Melanie Rantucci and Fran Deptuk are looking at ways to make the monthly meetings more interesting and reduce the business.

They will be bringing forward ideas to the Executive.

Adjournment Terry Haight moved and Claire Muirhead seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Next Meeting: April 12, 2022