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This year's cover photo taken by Sally Kotsopoulos

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Cover Photo Contest

Please remember that the deadline to submit your photo of <u>The Lilac</u> for the contest for next year's Handbook Cover Photo. Details and deadline for submission are on page 21 of this year's Handbook.

Photo Contest

Categories and submission details for the annual <u>Traditional Photo Contest</u> can be found on page 30 of this year's Handbook. Please note the Class Entries for 2023 are on the left-hand side of the page.

Dear Fellow Gardeners:

My sincere apologies for being unable to publish our Newsletter in July. So this month's newsletter will take on a bit of a different format. This portion contains all the information and updates re Flower Show results, the Fall Mum Sale by the Hospital Auxiliary, the Uxbridge Fall Fair, and so on. The second portion, which will be forthcoming in a few days, will have many photos for you to enjoy from the last two meetings.

A reminder to those of you (and I hope there are a lot of you) of the deadlines for Cover Photo and Photo Contest submissions on the left.

We would also ask that you consider stepping up to one of the Executive positions that need filling for next year: President, Vice President and Secretary. Also, after many years of running our very successful Flower Shows, **Yvonne** will be stepping down and we need someone to take over from her.

It's hard to believe that it is already August! Some of our members are in the process of redoing the gardens at the Seniors' Centre and continue to maintain some of the Uxbridge gardens under the very able management of **Agnes Croxford**. Thank you **Agnes** for all your efforts and time.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Sandee

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, August 9th: *"Fabulous Funghi: Intro to Mycology"* with David Hawke; Flower Show Wednesday, September 13th: *"African Violets in Container Gardens"* with Sayer Beheshti; Flower Show Wednesday, October 11th: *"Transitioning Container Plants"* with Vicki Whitney; Flower Show; Photo Contest

Fall Mum Sale

The *Uxbridge Hospital Auxiliary* will once again be selling fall mums this year as part of their ongoing fundraising in support of the Uxbridge Hospital. These mums are absolutely spectacular so if you are looking for mums to decorate your porch and/or gardens, you will not be disappointed in these beautiful ones.

They are LARGE 14" colourful potted mums in 5 colour choices: Yellow, Purple, Orange/Bronze, Red/Burgandy and TriColour. \$28.00 each of 2 or more \$25.00 each. Pricing includes HST. You can choose any colour combination.

E-transfer payment is preferred and can be sent to:

uhgiftshop3@gmail.com

Auto-deposit is set up. Cash or credit/debit card orders can also be made in the Hospital Gift Shop. Deadline for ordering and payment is Friday, August 25th, 2023.

Delivery to Uxbridge Hospital is the week of September 11th, 2023. A reminder e-mail will be sent the week before confirming the date and pick-up details.

http://uxbridgecottagehospitalauxiliary.com/events/uha-2023-fundraiser-fall-mum-sale/

June Flower Show Results

Our first place winner is **Angle Andruss** with 113 points, second place goes to **Sharon Bognar** with 63 points and third place goes to **Ena Wassenaar** with 20 points.

They were followed by **Ann Broughton** (12), **Sally Kotsopoulos** (11), **Kathleen Ravich** (9), **Deb Ward** (7), **Denise Minns** and **Louise Saunders** (6), **Anna Spencley** (5) and **Gill Powers** (3).

Angie Andruss won Best Iris.

Thank you to **Sharon Bognar** for helping with the judge.

Yvonne





July Flower Show Results

Our first place winer is **Angie Andruss** with 117 points, second place is **Pam Roycroft** with 38 points (it really pays to enter in the design category) and third place is **Ena Wassenaar** with 28 points.

They are followed by **Sally Kotsopoulos** (12), **Deb Ward** (7), **Kathleen Ravich** (5), **Louise Saunders** (4), **Simon Plashkes** (3) and **Gill Powers** (2).

Gill Powers wins Best Rose and Angie Andruss wins Best Delphinium.

Thank you *June O"Donnell* and *Kathleen Ravich* for volunteering to go around with the judge.

Yvonne

We are still looking for someone to take over the Show duties for next year and beyond. I would, of course, guide you along as required. Knowledge of Excel would be an asset.

Uxbridge Fall Fair 2023

"We've Got A Good Thing Growing" is the theme of this year's Uxbridge Fall Fair to be held September 8, 9 and 10 in Elgin Park.

2023 Contest and Competition information is posted on their website at:

www.uxbridgefair.ca

You are invited to participate in as many of these activities/classes as you like. Please see specific information under the highlighted tabs on the above-mentioned website:

- Horticulture Contests
- Homecraft Contests
- Livestock Contests

The Fair is also in need of volunteers. If you are able to volunteer in the Horticulture and Agriculture building or anywhere else, please talk to **Bev Latva** at our August meeting or contact **Bev** at chalnger@sympatico.ca.

November 8th Meeting & Silent Auction

Just a reminder that our November meeting will be held as a Silent Auction. We will also have a Master Gardener guest speaker talking to us about "Gardening for Climate Change" - a very timely and relevant topic given the often an increasingly disastrous weather challenges the world has been experiencing this year.

We encourage you all to participate; as a donor a buyer or both. Feel free to bring your spouse, partner, family, friends and neighbours to an evening of great shopping and an excellent, relevant presentation.

All kinds of donations are welcome: a craft, cards for various occasions, a bottle or two of wine, a service you can provide, quilts, soaps, candles, pickled goods, baked goods, and so on. You get the idea!

Proceeds raised will go to support the activities of our Club!







