



NEWSLETTER PINE RIDGE GARDEN CLUB

"Where Gardeners Come To Bloom"

NESTLETON, ONTARIO

MEMBER OF DISTRICT 17 ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

November — December 2019

President: Norma Haney 905-986-0614

Membership: Carolyn Humphrey: 905 985 9459

Tuesday November 5th

Meeting at 7:30 pm

"Seasonal Wreath" Workshop

By Mike Gibbs
of Branching Out Florists
Cost to you is: \$20.00

This workshop is for Members only

2020 membership

due November 5th. Please ensure you pay your membership at that time.

Tuesday December 3rd

Pot Luck Supper 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Annual General Meeting &
Family pot luck Supper.
Christmas Crafts Display/Sale
(members only).

Awards
Election of Officers

President's Message

As we turn back our clocks and darkness steals in earlier each day, our gardening chores wind down. We've finished cleaning out the hanging baskets and planters. Now is the time to create beautiful winter-themed containers to adorn the outside of our homes. Those huge hydrangea heads are beautiful when embellished with a touch of spray paint. Cedar, pine and spruce branches are great fillers. You can purchase greenery if you don't have enough or check out your neighbour's garden! If this seems like too much work, visit one of our local garden centres where you will find a huge selection of ready-made containers and wreaths (see page 2).

Our 2019 Board of Directors has worked tirelessly in providing you with ten great meetings. I am truly thankful for their support. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped with the museum gardens, especially the last minute work to save some of the perennials before work on the school house foundation began. Be sure to thank those gals who work in the kitchen ensuring you have snacks & beverage when you arrive.

I am truly amazed at the four great flower shows we saw this year. Many thanks to the show committee. They are always happy to assist you with your entries. Congratulations to all winners.

We are hosting the 2020 District 17 AGM to be held at Blackstock Rec Centre, April 18th. We will be calling on many members to help make this a truly memorable day.

I wish you and your family a safe and relaxing Holiday Season and best wishes in 2020.

Norma

Fall Flower & Vegetable Show Winners

1st place, Horticulture

Helen Drummelsmith ☆

1st Place, Design

Shirley Love ☆

Congratulations!

Treasurer Required

We are looking for a Club Treasurer from our membership. If you have the following qualifications please contact Anna Spencley or Norma Haney

Basic Accounting Knowledge
Computer Ability in Excel
High Speed Internet
Printer (for reports)
Member

Winter Tips

Broken Branches—unless a hazard exists, wait until the end of winter to prune all broken twigs and branches.

Salt Alternatives are better for the environment. Throwing just any chemical listed as a de-icer onto your sidewalks could wind up polluting our bodies of water. Consider instead using ecofriendly salt alternatives.



Enjoy the season!

Upcoming Events/Shopping:

**Rekker's Garden Centre
Christmas Open House
November 16th, 2019**

*1-hour guided tours-11 am or 2 pm or just browse

*Poinsettias, outdoor winter planters, etc.

*Refreshments and entertainment during the day.

**2258 Regional Highway 2
(2 km west of Bowmanville)**

Century Home and Garden Greenhouses

1431 Hwy. 7A

Port Perry

A wide variety of seasonal planters, wreaths, poinsettias and much more

Open until December 22nd.

Vandermeer Nursery & Garden Centre

588 Lake Ridge Rd South, Ajax

Christmas Open House

November 8—10, 16—17, 23—24

Demos, holiday décor, outdoor planters
& much more

www.vandermeernursery.com/events

**Happy Holidays And
All The Best in 2020**



*Just a reminder: no meeting in
January or February. See everyone
March 10th, 2020*