

## Ladysmith Saltair Garden Club

October 18, 2018

The October meeting of the Ladysmith Saltair Garden Club was held in the Lower meeting room at the Ladysmith Health Care Centre, 7.00pm. 30 members in attendance.

**GUEST SPEAKER** Carol H. Chairperson, welcomed everyone and called on Lynn Jones to introduce the guest speaker, Bill Jones of Deerholme Farm in the Cowichan Valley. Bob gave a very informative presentation on wild mushrooms. He bought samples for everyone to smell and examine. He is an author, chef and food consultant. He also brought books which were on sale for the members.

**COFFEE BREAK** Coffee, tea and goodies provided by Carol H. and Michele C. were enjoyed by all. The Business meeting began at 8:20pm. Executive in attendance were Carol H. Chairperson, Michele C. Treasurer and Susan B. Secretary. Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted with one minor change regarding the date.

**TREASURERS REPORT** Treasurers Report was given by Michele C. up to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Year end report was also given.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** **QUEENS PARK:** Jennifer F. and Joanne A. are doing a great job and busy putting the garden to bed for the winter.

**SPEAKER COMMITTEE:** Gail WR. confirmed that there is a change for the May 2019 speaker. The club has several options for other speakers and will keep us notified when a decision has been made.

**OLD BUSINESS** A reminder that the Victoria Master Gardener Seminar in Sidney, Victoria on February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019 is still open for registration. For more information go to [mixingitup.org](http://mixingitup.org)

**NEW BUSINESS** The Rotary Club of Ladysmith Garden Tour will be held at the end of May 2019. Anyone willing to have a garden on the tour can contact Mary Mulrooney at [mmulrooney@shaw.ca](mailto:mmulrooney@shaw.ca).

The Club may consider a new location. The old South Oyster School and the Diamond Hall have been suggested. The Club may consider a new location. Saltair School and the Diamond Hall have been suggested. It was mentioned that Saltair was too far for many Cedar based members. Carol H. will check out other suggested venues.

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A donation to the Ladysmith Food Bank for \$200 was approved for Dec 2018.

A Bursary of \$500 was also approved for a Natural Science Student at the Ladysmith Secondary School.

Our speaker for the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting will be Pat Spezowka. She will be demonstrating the making of Winter Wreaths and Door arrangements.

The club suggested that on Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup>, we could rent a room at Frank Jamieson Centre to make wreaths and table centre pieces for the Garden Club Christmas Party. Carol H. will book the room.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm. followed by the draw for door prizes.