



Fredericton Botanic Garden Association Annual General Meeting Report 2008

Presented at the Annual Meeting on February 9, 2008

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FREDERICTON BOTANIC GARDEN ASSOCIATION, INC.

2007

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Minutes of the 2007 Annual General Meeting

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

**FREDERICTON BOTANIC GARDEN ASSOCIATION
Annual General Meeting
February 10, 2007
Heritage Centre, Marysville**

President Bill Seabrook called the meeting to order at 1230 pm

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: to approve the agenda as printed.

Moved by George Struntz, seconded by Carole Peacock

Motion carried

Approval of the Minutes of 2005 Annual General Meeting

Motion: to approve the minutes of February 12, 2005

Moved by George Bastin, seconded by Lucy Dyer

Motion carried

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

Financial Report

Graham Allen acting for treasurer Mike Dillon reviewed the balance sheet, financial reports and fund raising financial reports for January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006

Motion: to approve financial reports and balance sheet as presented.

Moved by Graham Allen, seconded by Wayne Beckett.

Graham Allen acting for the treasurer presented the proposed budget for 2007.

Motion: to approve the budget as presented

Moved by Graham Allen, seconded by George Strunz

President's Report

Joel Richardson took the chair while President Bill Seabrook presented his report.

The President presented the Board Members to the meeting and thanked them for their contributions during the year. He also thanked Graham Allen for his support during the year as the Administrative Assistant.

The problems of the ACOA grant were discussed. Development of the new Entrance Garden was reported and the Fredericton Community Foundation thanked.

Motion: to accept the President's report as presented

Moved by Nancy Beltradi seconded by Nadia Houry

Two new board members were elected by acclamation, being Donald Gregg and Jacques Paynter.

Other Business



There were none.

The Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm

The new Board held a meeting and announced the Board executive:

President Bill Seabrook

Vice President Donald Gregg

Treasurer Mike Dillon

Secretary Joe Harrison.

The meeting adjourned

The Silent Auction followed until 3:00 pm

The guest speaker, Beth Powning presented a reading from her book “Seeds of Another Summer” accompanied by a slide presentation.

After which followed refreshments and an opportunity to meet the speaker and the Silent Auction results

The meeting adjourned at 4:30

Respectively submitted Joseph Harrison, Secretary



Finance Committee Annual Report for 2007

A Finance Committee was established by the FBGA Board of Trustees in April, 2007 to advise the Board on the investment of funds needed for future but not immediate work on the garden. The Committee appointees are Treasurer Mike Dillon, Chair, Board Member John Astle and President Bill Seabrook. Janine Papadopoulos, a professional financial advisor with *The Investors Group* is volunteering her time to the Association as a member of the committee. Board Member Jacques Paynter joined the Committee later in the year to replace John Astle who resigned.

An investment proposal was prepared by Ms Papadopoulos and after some adjustments was accepted by the Committee. The principles of the investment proposal are:

- The largest part of our funds, about two-thirds, should be put in a low risk Real Property Fund.
- The remaining third should be split between a Money Market Fund and an Income portfolio from which funds could be removed as needed for operation of the Association.
- The income from the Real Property fund would be paid into the Money Market fund where it would remain, and be removed as recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Board.
- Funds raised from various campaigns would be invested in the Real Property Fund.
- This arrangement would provide a low risk management for the Association.

This proposal was approved by the Board of Trustees and \$ 96,435.39 are invested with *The Investors Group* as of 2007-12-31.

Michael J. Dillon, Treasurer

FBGA Annual Assets Report 2007

Assets as of December 31, 2007

Capital Credit Union Accounts	\$ 11,173.19
Investors Group	\$ 96,435.39
Capital assets (Computers, projector, furniture etc) (Estimated value)	\$ 10,000.00
Total	\$117,608.58

Non-cash Income from Gifts-in-kind

Donated plants for the Plant sale sold for	\$ 8,285
Donated items sold in the Plant Sale Raffle	\$ 3,522
Donated items sold at the Plant Sale Silent Auction	\$ 641
Donated items sold at the AGM Silent Auction	\$ 1,151
	\$ 13,599

In-kind services provided by the City of Fredericton estimated at \$ 46,893.



Financial Report 2007

FBGA FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2007 AND BUDGET FOR 2008

ITEM	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET 2007 EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>ACTUAL 2007 EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET 2008 EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
INCOME/FUNDING									
City of Fredericton									
Grant	\$25,000			\$25,000			\$25,000		
Capital Fundraising	\$1,000			\$12,260 ¹	\$40	\$12,220			
Donations	\$1,000			\$1,010			\$1,000		
Donations - Memorials				\$5,759			\$5,000		
Bank charges/Interest	\$1,550			\$2,060	\$142	\$1,918		\$100	
HST Rebate	\$2,400			\$5,451			\$5,000		
Other	\$1,650	\$150	\$1,500	\$256					
SUB-TOTAL	\$32,600	\$150	\$32,450	\$51,796	\$182	\$51,614	\$36,000	\$100	\$35,900
FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES									
Plant Sale - General	\$15,500	\$4,000	\$11,500	\$10,056	\$4,278	\$5,778	\$10,000	\$4,000	\$6,000
Plant Sale Raffle	\$5,000	\$1,200	\$3,800	\$4,323	\$801	\$3,522	\$4,000	\$1,200	\$2,800
Plant Sale Silent									
Auction	\$2,000	\$200	\$1,800	\$641			\$600	\$200	\$400
AGM Silent Auction	\$1,000			\$1,625	\$114	\$1,511	\$1,500	\$200	\$1,300
Seedy Saturday	\$130	\$100	\$30	\$45	\$119	(\$74)	\$50	\$100	(\$50)
Treasured Garden Tour	\$4,500	\$2,375	\$2,125	\$2,670	\$909	\$1,761	\$3,000	\$1,500	\$1,500
Talks in the Garden	\$100				\$58			\$100	
Membership	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$3,000	\$3,551	\$150	\$3,401	\$4,000	\$200	\$3,800
Other sale items	\$400	\$200	\$200	\$94					
SUB-TOTAL	\$32,630	\$9,075	\$23,555	\$23,005	\$6,429	\$16,576	\$23,150	\$7,500	\$15,650
ADMINISTRATION									
Administration -									
General		\$1,800			\$1,618			\$1,800	
Admin. Services		\$4,500			\$4,267			\$4,500	
AGM					\$412			\$500	
Building	\$1,200	\$300	\$900	\$1,530	\$271	\$1,259	\$1,500	\$300	\$1,200
Insurance		\$2,000			\$2,000			\$2,000	
Board Development		\$500			\$228			\$300	
Utilities (Telephone)		\$650			\$659			\$1,000	
SUB-TOTAL	\$1,200	\$9,750	(\$8,550)	\$1,530	\$9,455	(\$7,925)	\$1,500	\$10,400	(\$8,900)

¹ Most of this amount comes from the sale of stocks donated in previous years but not previously budgeted in the cash account.



FBGA FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2007 AND BUDGET FOR 2008

ITEM	BUDGET 2007			ACTUAL 2007			BUDGET 2008		
	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
PUBLIC RELATIONS									
Advertising		\$1,000			\$273			\$1,000	
Newsletter		\$1,800			\$677			\$1,000	
Web Site					\$70			\$100	
Sale Items				\$500	\$930	(\$430)	\$400		
Recognition		\$250			\$108			\$250	
Other activities					\$56				
SUB-TOTAL		\$3,050	(\$3,050)	\$500	\$2,114	(\$1,614)	\$400	\$2,350	(\$1,950)
SITE DEVELOPMENT									
Entry Garden Development		\$4,500			\$8,785			3000	
Memorial Garden Develop't		\$5,500			\$8,611			\$60,000	
Rose Garden Development		\$5,500			\$7,693			\$200	
Operating					\$628			\$16,500	(\$10,500)
Students (Salaries etc.)	\$4,855	\$16,000	(\$11,145)	\$5,930	\$16,031	(\$10,101)	\$6,000	\$5,000	
Pond and landscaping								\$500	
White Garden completion								\$3,500	
Signage								\$6,000	
Landscaping below Entrance									
SUB-TOTAL	\$4,855	\$31,500	(\$26,645)	\$5,930	\$41,748	(\$35,818)	\$6,000	\$94,700	(\$88,700)
TOTAL	\$71,285	\$53,525	\$17,760	\$82,761	\$59,928	\$22,833	\$67,050	\$115,050	(\$48,000)²

² This deficit will be covered from investments saved from previous years for the purpose of garden development.



Presidents Report 2007

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

Présenté par le président à l'assemblée générale annuelle 2008

Fredericton Botanic Garden Association President's Report 2007

This has been an exciting and busy year for the Fredericton Botanic Garden. In the late spring we had the official opening of the Entrance Garden. The official ribbon cutting was carried out by Ms Anne Morgan of the Fredericton Community Foundation and by our Lieutenant Governor, the Honorable Herménégilde Chiasson the Patron of our Garden. The new Entrance Garden represents a major step forward in the development of the Garden. There has been some concern about the lack of flowers in the new Garden. This problem has been looked into this past autumn with the planting of several new flowerbeds.

The concepts of memorials in the garden have been addressed this past year. We now have two types of memorials for those persons who want to remember a dear friend or loved one. There are memorial benches, which may be seen in the Entrance Garden. There are gorgeous deep maroon steel benches each mounted on a concrete plinth. There is one bench remaining undedicated in the Entrance Garden. Subsequent to this, benches will be located at various sites throughout the Garden. The second memorial is the new memorial Grove which will be officially opened this spring. This is a grove of magnolias and Japanese Maples located to the south of the future Rose Garden close to the garden road. Dedications in this garden will be inscribed on a large stone slab to be installed this spring.

The next major project in the Garden will be the construction of the Rose Garden. This is a very major project, which your board sees being carried out over the next five years. We have committed

Rapport annuel 2007

Présenté par le président à l'assemblée générale annuelle 2008

La dernière année a été occupée et stimulante pour le Jardin botanique de Fredericton. L'ouverture officielle de l'entrée du jardin s'est déroulée à la fin du printemps avec la coupe du ruban par madame Anne Morgan de la *Fredericton Community Foundation* et par l'honorable Herménégilde Chiasson, président d'honneur de notre jardin. La nouvelle entrée constitue une étape importante dans l'évolution du jardin. On a signalé l'absence de fleurs dans le nouveau jardin, mais l'aménagement de plusieurs massifs de fleurs au cours de l'automne dernier devrait rectifier la situation.

Le concept des plaques commémoratives au jardin botanique a été mis en oeuvre durant la dernière année. Le programme, qui se présente en deux volets, s'adresse à ceux qui désirent marquer le souvenir d'un être cher ou d'un ami disparu. Il y a d'abord les bancs de parc, de construction d'acier de couleur marron, montés sur une base de béton et installés à l'entrée du jardin. Il ne reste qu'un seul de ces bancs non dédié à cet endroit. D'autres bancs seront installés à divers endroits à travers le jardin. Le deuxième volet commémoratif porte sur le nouveau bosquet qui sera officiellement dévoilé ce printemps. Constitué de magnolias et d'érables japonaises, le bosquet sera aménagé au sud du jardin de roses, situé près du chemin du jardin. Les noms de ceux que l'on veut honorer dans cette partie du jardin seront gravés sur une grande plaque de pierre qui sera posée ce printemps.

L'aménagement du jardin de roses constitue le prochain projet d'envergure. Le conseil d'administration considère ce projet quinquennal



\$60,000 per year over the next five years. This will be a very large garden, the largest in eastern Canada. The project is very costly and will result in the need for us to raise significant capital funds.

Your Board of Trustees has initiated the fundraising process. We have recently signed a contract with a local firm, Go2Solutions, to organize a corporate fundraising campaign. This is primarily a Corporate Campaign and those members who have been approached during our Family Campaign will not be approached again. Those new members who have not previously been approached may have the opportunity to donate if they wish. Our goal will be to raise a minimum of \$1,500,000, of which \$500,000 will be placed in trust and the annual interest to be used to assist the operation of the Garden.

As you can appreciate this has been a busy and productive year.

In closing, I would like to thank the City of Fredericton, and in particular the Parks and Trees Division. I would like to thank the Board of Trustees who has worked selflessly for the Garden. I would like also to recognize the efforts of Graham Allen in support of the Association.

Respectively submitted
William Seabrook
Chairman, Board of Trustees

comme étant d'une importance primordiale. Un montant annuel de 60 000 \$ y est assigné pour les prochains cinq ans. Ce jardin s'étendra sur une très grande superficie et sera le plus grand de l'Est canadien. C'est un projet très onéreux qui nous oblige à recueillir des fonds importants.

La levée de fonds est lancée. Votre conseil d'administration a récemment signé un contrat avec l'entreprise locale Go2Solutions pour organiser une campagne de souscription auprès des commerces. Cette campagne s'adresse en tout premier lieu aux entreprises et les membres qui ont été approchés lors de la campagne pour les familles ne le seront pas à nouveau. Les nouveaux membres qui n'ont pas été sollicités par le passé auront le choix de contribuer s'ils le désirent. Notre objectif est de recueillir un minimum de 1 500 000 \$, dont 500 000 \$ seront placés en fiducie et dont l'intérêt annuel aidera à défrayer les coûts d'exploitation du jardin.

Comme vous pouvez le constater, l'année a été à la fois occupée et productive.

En terminant, je tiens à remercier la ville de Fredericton, et en particulier la Division des parcs et espaces verts. Merci également aux membres du conseil de direction pour leur généreux dévouement, tout comme celui de Graham Allen, pour l'avancement du jardin.

Le tout respectueusement soumis,

Le président,
William Seabrook



Board Development Committee

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

An orientation session was held for newly elected Fredericton Botanic Garden Association Board Members on April 26, 2007. The purpose of this event, held annually since 2005, was to facilitate and accelerate their familiarization with the history of the FBG and developments to date, as well as current visions for future development, administration and organization, activities of working sub-committees and opportunities and responsibilities of Board Members. Like its predecessors the orientation session was deemed successful and informative by all who participated, including the “seasoned” Board members. We thank Board members, present and past, who served as resource people for this occasion.

The composition and term status of the FBGA Board of Trustees serving during 2007 is shown below:

Serving to end of 2009

1. Lucy Dyer (3rd term)
2. Theo Popma (2nd term)
3. Brian Parker (2nd term)
4. Bill Seabrook (2nd term)

Serving to end of 2008

1. Mike Dillon (2nd term)
2. George Strunz (2nd term)
3. Carmen Stuart (2nd term)*
4. Carole Peacock (1st term)

Serving to end of 2007

1. George Bastin (1st term)*
2. Jacques Paynter (1st term)
3. Ruth Muldrew (1st term)
4. Paddy Gregg (1st term)

* Unable to re-offer in 2008

Board Members indicated above as serving until the end of 2007 may be re-elected.

Nominees for the Board positions made vacant by the resignation of the indicated* Board Members:
Valerie Hillier, Aaron Savage

Respectfully submitted, (Feb 2008)
George Strunz
Chair: Board Development Committee
Nominating Committee



Board Development Committee

Terms of Reference

- i) Review the composition of the Board and committees and the involvement of their respective members annually.
- ii) Recommend changes to the Board and committee structure, terms, etc., that would be most effective and productive for the FBGA.
- iii) Develop a standing list of potential Board and committee members.
- iv) Recruit and nominate qualified candidates to the Board and committees.
Explain duties and attendance expectations.
- v) Maintain an up-to-date manual for presentation to new Board and committee members.
- vi) Develop and implement an orientation program for new members of the Board and committees.
- vii) Interview each new Board member or committee member at the time of nomination and annually thereafter, to assess their interests, role on the team, and their satisfaction with their current and past involvement.
- viii) Assure ongoing board training for all members.
- ix) Try to assure all members are using their skills effectively and are satisfied with their involvement.
- x) Arrange for recognition of Board and committee members.
- xi) Develop ways to make serving the Botanic Garden organization an enjoyable experience.



“Talks in the Garden” Committee

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

The “Talks in the Garden” take place at the Resource Centre of the Fredericton Botanic Garden Association on Cameron Court off Hanwell Road. The talks are held at 7:30 pm and everyone is welcome. Although there was a complete slate of talks organized for the spring months, a couple of the talks were cancelled as the committee organizer Janis Boston was away. These “Talks” will be scheduled for another time.

This year we had **Roger Smith**, a photographer from the Biology Department at UNB presented a dramatic slide show of the stark beauty that can be found in dead and dying gardens on January 18

On April 19 **John Argall** gave a talk on early planting and growing of vegetables.

Membership Committee

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

Annual Report - Membership Committee - January 1 - December 31, 2007

Over the past year, the FBGA Membership committee has met irregularly. We would welcome the addition of new volunteers to the Membership Committee to join Nancy Beltrandi, Janis Boston, Wendy Bourque, Nadia Houry, Susan Phillips and Lucy Dyer. In the spring, Karen Cook resigned from the Committee due to the demands of a new baby and a return to studying. Her talents (particularly for running workshops in decorating wreaths), work and ideas were much appreciated. In 2006/2007, the Education committee, led by Janis Boston, joined forces with the Membership Committee. Janis is not now available for organizing and running winter Talks in the Garden, and has therefore resigned from the Education committee, which is now separated from the Membership Committee. A very special thank you to Janis for organizing an excellent series of Talks in the Garden and providing refreshments for them.

We have gained 22 new members over the year. The Plant Sale in the spring attracted several new members. The raffle prize for a new member, a big basket filled with items of appeal to a gardener, was won by Steve Stehouwer. An addition to the Boutique this year was a number of attractive green t-shirts for sale. They were popular, and will reappear in future. One successful effort which increased our totals again this year was the incentive of a draw for new members joining between the first of the year and the end of July. The draw was held at the end of July so that new members joining as a result of the Treasured Garden Tour Garden Party could be included. We appreciate the support from new members for our organization, and extend them all a hearty welcome to the organization. We hope they will come actively involved. At the end of 2006, our membership stood at 233, consisting of 130 Individual memberships, 59 Senior/student memberships, and 44 Family memberships. Because each Family membership represents at least two individuals, the total number of members is higher than the total number of memberships.



We continued to promote the purchase (and renewal) of memberships at Association events and elsewhere, including:

- Setting up and decorating a booth on the raised restaurant area of the Market at the Annual Plant Sale in May, distributing brochures, and organizing a draw for new members.
- We also set up the Botanic Boutique in a separate area at the Plant sale, to generate some extra revenue for the Association by selling mainly garden related items such as note cards featuring photographs taken by members (produced and packaged by the Committee), electronic bug swatters, plant ties, attractive utility belts, bags, etc.
- Setting up a membership tent at the Treasured Garden Party, and organizing a draw for the new and for the renewing members who purchased a membership on that occasion, and a draw for a screen tent for all new members joining over the first six months of the year.
- A member of the committee attended each Education Committee event in the spring, and asked attendees to consider buying a membership if they were not already a member.
- A table was set up at an event at Green Village, and brochures distributed.
- Gift memberships were presented to guest speakers at Education Committee Events.
- A list of retailers providing a 10% discount to members now includes: Capital Landscape & City Gardeners, Co-Op Country Store (Northside) Corn Hill Nurseries, Curries Greenhouses, Green Village (except Crafters Corner), Kent Garden Centre, Scott's Nursery and Wetmore's Nursery.
- Gift memberships were promoted via the Newsletter. Thank you to all donors of gift memberships during the 2006 Christmas season.

We would be happy to have interested volunteers join the Committee to help us achieve these goals:

1. Continue recruitment of new members and distribution of brochures.
2. Increase our retention rate of present members by encouraging renewals
3. Review benefits of membership and tweak these where possible
4. Investigate the feasibility of additional promotional items for the Boutique

I would like to thank the volunteers who helped sell memberships at the Plant Sale and Treasured Garden Tour. I would also like to thank all of the hard working members of the Membership Committee for their valued contributions and ideas.

Submitted by
Lucy Dyer, Chair of Membership Committee.



Site Development

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2007 Accomplishments

Significant progress was made on several projects during 2007. Work on the Entrance Garden redevelopment was completed. Funded by the Fredericton Foundation 50 Fund and commenced in 2006 the final work included planting the oval with sugar maple trees, reworking grades and drainage in the southwest corner, and planting the berm and a number of small beds. The Entrance Garden was formally re-opened on June 23, a sunny and windy day.

The Board requested the creating of a Memorial Garden and this work was carried out in the late summer and fall. The small garden, located adjacent to the western-most loop of the Garden Road, has been planted with a collection of Magnolia species unique to this area. In their protected environment they are expected to develop into a showcase. This garden is to be completed in the spring of 2008 with the installation of a boulder on which the names of donors will be inscribed.

At the end of the season further significant progress was made with the Rose Garden. This followed the decision of the Board to establish the Rose Garden as the next priority and to approve a five year funding plan. The entire site, about 0.5 ha, has been cleared and is essentially up to subgrade.

In the early summer a small group of volunteers worked in the Garden on Wednesday evenings. They replanted the beds around the Resource Centre, added new daylilies to the Daylily Bed and more white flowers to the White Garden, and tidied up the Hal Hinds Memorial Garden. Interpretive signs were installed at a number of locations to explain specific plantings and sites of future developments.

2008 Plans

The major work for 2008 will be the next phase of the Rose Garden development. Construction drawings and project cost were prepared when the Rose Garden was first planned. The cost estimate will be revisited and a schedule of work prepared to fit the budget allocation approved by the Board.

Work will be completed on several projects. First among these is the Memorial Garden where a memorial stone will be installed. Second, the attractiveness and impact of the area around the pond will be improved with some landscaping changes to unite the elements and finish this part of the Garden. Impacted by this work will be the pond, the Hal Hinds Memorial Garden, the Lilac Collection and some disconnected shrub beds. Third, the White Garden will receive further plantings to make it a more interesting planting along the Garden Road. Lastly, below the Entrance Garden the area around the holding pond will be planted to provide colour to draw visitors further into the Garden. The Site Development budget proposed for 2008 is prepared to include the costs of completing these projects.

In 2008 it is planned again to provide opportunities for members to volunteer time to assist with some of these projects in the Garden. These occasions will be set up to provide opportunities for both experienced and novice gardeners to contribute.



Acknowledgements

The Committee again wishes to recognize the direct and indirect support of the City of Fredericton and specifically those who work most closely with us - Brian Cochrane, Assistant Manager, Community Services Department, and Harold Boone, Trails and Project Coordinator. Most of the work in the Garden was carried out by City employees Jeff Graham, Jamie Adamson and Matt Usher, and by Botanic Garden students Alison Vallis and Kate Greer. The students were supported in part by grants from the New Brunswick SEED program and the federal student employment program.

All members of the Committee have been active and have contributed far beyond attending meetings and deserve recognition – Harold Boone, Brian Cochrane, Charlie Fullarton, Brian Parker and co-chair Jane Seabrook. Brian Parker once again provided considerable leadership in the planning and conduct of the Committee's work.

Richard Tarn
Chair, Site Development Committee

Plant Sale and Raffle

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The 19th Plant Sale took place on May 27, a beautiful sunny day and the culmination of preparations that commenced in January. Donated plants were in excellent condition. Featured plants included container plants, daylilies and hostas, and Hosta expert Peter Kinsella from Saint John, gave two presentations during the Sale afternoon. Attendance appeared to be good.

The Sale and Raffle netted about \$10,000 - just a little down from 2006 and well below the highest revenue of \$16,850 in 2002. Compared with 2006 revenue was up from plant sales, down from the raffle (there were only four Saturdays at the Market) and silent auction, while BBQ sales were strong. It is noteworthy that the value of donated plants is estimated at nearly \$8300 which underlines the impact of the members' contribution.

The Plant Sale and Raffle involves more of our members than any other activity during the year. About 50 members and friends take part in the set up and at the Sale, and many more donate plants. There is also tremendous support from businesses – 13 local businesses, nine regional businesses and five national businesses donate plants or prizes.

A big THANK YOU to all who contributed.

Richard Tarn
Chair, Plant Sale and Raffle



Plant Sale & Raffle 2007

INCOME

Plant Sale

Sales	9617.64
Silent Auction	641.00
BBQ	438.75
	10697.39

Raffle

Market sales	2707.93
Member sales	1615.00
Gift in Kind	700.00
	5022.93

TOTAL INCOME 15720.32

EXPENSES

Plant Sale

Corn Hill Nursery	284.54
ARHS	Rhododendrons 169.38
Red Lane Garden	Plants 407.10
Vivaces Iris Plus	Hostas 159.66
Pacific Northwest Propagators	Dwarf Trees 144.00
Scott's Nursery	Perennials 74.30
Scott's Nursery	Perennials 532.15
UNB Biology	Greenhouse rental 70.00
York County Properties	Market Rental 450.00
Valley Graphics	Aprons 660.29
c. Frensch Ltd	Labels 166.36
Carole Peacock	Copies 312.48
Bill Seabrook	Laminates 29.37
Peter Kinsella	Talk 84.00
Covey Basics	Supplies 86.40
	Premix 13.33
	Postage 177.84
	BBQ supplies 396.06
	Refreshments 61.14
	4278.40

Raffle

License	25.00
Tickets	207.64
Wood for prizes	548.37
Market Rental	20.00
Gift in Kind Adjustment	700.00

1501.01

TOTAL EXPENSES 5779.41

NET 9940.91



Comparisons	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Plant Sale Revenue	9982.98	10246.3	12526.74	11611.32	12290.73	14784.39	14436.97	14233.60	11492.00	9748.97	10697.39
Expense	2554.68	2088.05	3748.67	2598.56	4012.08	3400.95	6100.22	3438.35	3854.70	3924.02	4278.40
Raffle Revenue	2908.05	2828.89	4622.25	5243.41	4316.52	6278.95	5886.5	3911.60	3901.08	4613.80	4322.93
Expense	598.87	704.16	877.76	950.28	635.68	809.64	865.59	891.26	404.86	553.22	801.01
Silent Auction									902.00	648.00	641.00
Net	9737.48	10282.98	12522.56	13305.89	11959.49	16852.75	13357.66	13815.69	12035.52	10252.91	9940.91

Treasured Garden Tours and Annual Meeting Silent Auction - 2007

Silent Auction Income	1625.50
Expenses	
Heritage Center Marysville	114.26
Silent Auction Net	1511.24

Comparisons	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Treasured Garden Tour									
Revenue	2540.00	3050.00	3935.00	4800.00	3950.00	4225.00	3845.00	3945.00	2670.00
Expenses	1218.06	2156.21	1799.97	2416.38	2058.22	2218.37	2132.07	1883.58	909.18
Net Income	1321.94	893.79	2135.03	2383.62	1891.78	2000.63	1712.93	2061.42	1760.82
Silent Auction									
Revenue	924.50	1543.00	972.95	2034.50	2909.00	2183.00	1039.00	2258.81	1625.50
Expenses	43.13	315.87	113.13	89.76	49.45	100.63	123.48	216.74	114.26



Treasured Garden Tour 2007

Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 9, 2008

The 9th Annual Treasured Garden Tour was held on July 15, 2006 giving way to another great get-together. It is always great to see the beautiful gardens selected especially for their individual charm and uniqueness. This year we enjoyed visiting the gardens of Dr. Jerry and Adeline Misener, Liz and Paul McDonell, George and Barbara Cross, and Elizabeth MacFarland. Thanks to all of the talented gardeners who let so many of us join in their passion for an afternoon. We greatly appreciate your hospitality.

We were all excited to be back at the new entrance garden to the Fredericton Botanic Garden for the old fashioned garden party. We all enjoyed being received at Old Government House in the summer of 2006, but were very glad to be returning "home" in 2007. After all the garden party has always been the hit of the tour. It was great to see everyone being able to help out again in making and in serving the fancy sandwiches, sweets, and our favorite rhubarb punch. Everyone enjoyed listening to the talented David Nielson and Jane Ogilvie play at he garden party. The pair played very comfortably together. I really enjoyed their energy.

Overall, I am proud to announce the tremendous success of the Treasured Garden Tour once again. From its inception and the creativity of the original planning organization of the tour, a great tradition was born. We are all thankful and appreciative of all who join us in the tour year after year.

Respectfully,

Andrew Lawson
Committee Chair

Treasured Garden Tour

INCOME

Tickets	2,670.00
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EXPENSES

Prizes	garden sets	22.8
York Street Enterprises	ticket printing	273.6
David Neilson	Music	100
Jane Ogilvie	Music	150
Robert Wilkins	Refrigeration truck	75
Andrew Lawson	Refreshments	198.7
Scott's Nursery	Pots	45.78
Covey Basics	supplies	43.3
		909.18

NET	1,760.82
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