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**Site Development  
Committee**

**Progress in the Garden**

The largest planting of perennials in the history of the Garden was carried out this summer. Around the rock swale and holding pond immediately below the Entrance Garden about 75 varieties were planted. They will provide colour and interest from spring to fall. Included in the plantings are *Aconitum* (monkshood), *Astilbe*, *Campanula* (bellflower), *Delphinium*, *Geranium* (cranesbill), *Hosta*, *Heuchera* (coral bells), *Hemerocallis* (daylily), *Iris siberica*, *Trollius* (globeflower), *Veronica* (speedwell) as well as various ferns and grasses. There are also some more unusual plants that will be obvious in the spring when they put out their new growth.

The area was largely planted by a small group of members over several Wednesday evenings in June and early July, and completed by Jamie Adamson, City staff, and Hilary Waterhouse and Stephen Gilliss, our summer students.

This summer and fall we have experienced a number of very heavy rainfalls. While much of the Garden site is now very wet, this year we have escaped serious erosion damage. The swales around the Entrance Garden, and the holding pond below, have worked well in controlling runoff from the top of the site. Water management will continue to be an issue in some lower areas of the Garden and will be addressed as future garden plantings are developed.

The late fall has also seen further progress on the Rose Garden. Survey work has been carried out to confirm locations and grades for the belvedere at the top and the three tiers of the main garden. Using this information, a bulldozer has established grade levels so the site begins to show some resemblance to the image on the interpretive sign. Also this fall we shall be ordering materials that can be stored until they are needed as construction progresses in 2009.

Coming soon is a brand new site map for the Botanic Garden. This will occupy the main panel in the new kiosk at the lower end of the Entrance Garden so that visitors can more easily find their way around the Garden and locate the major attractions. Smaller versions of the map will be used elsewhere, and you can also expect to see it on the FBGA website.

Richard Tarn,  
Site Development Committee

**Membership**

The Committee runs a membership booth and sells the Association's T-shirts and other small items at major FBGA events such as the Plant Sale and the Treasured Garden Tour. We welcomed new members at both of these events this year.

The Membership Committee has met twice this fall, in early October and in November. We would like to invite all members to join us in our efforts to recruit and retain members for the Association. Membership brochures are available at the Resource Centre. We would greatly appreciate it if you would be able to distribute

**Events in the  
Garden**

Watch for the inaugural "Talks in the Garden" talk in January

**Seedy Saturday  
March 21, 2009,  
1-4 pm**

**Saint Andrews  
Presbyterian Church  
512 Charlotte Street  
Fredericton**  
FBGA Members \$2.00  
non-members \$4.00

**May Plant Sale  
and Raffle**  
12:00 noon to 4:00 pm  
Boyce Farmers Market,  
George St.

**Treasured Garden  
Tour**

Plan to attend the  
**Annual General Meeting  
of the  
Fredericton Botanic  
Garden Association  
and Silent Auction**  
on February 7, 2009  
at 12:30 pm  
at the  
**Marysville Heritage  
Center.**



some to friends and neighbours. Or please consider giving a membership to a gardening friend as a Christmas gift - they are very reasonably priced, and provide the benefit of a 10% discount at many local garden outlets. Remember to ask for your discount before a sale has been rung up. An application form (and information) can be found on our web site [www.frederictonbotanicgarden.com](http://www.frederictonbotanicgarden.com) for either new or re-newing memberships.

We are considering mailing an invitation to join the Association to everyone who lives near the Garden. If you receive an invitation and are already a member, we hope you will not be annoyed, but will pass the invitation on.

An initiative this year is contacting some of our lapsed members to find out why they did not renew their membership, and to see if there is a way of increasing member interest and satisfaction. If you have any ideas on how better to serve our present members or find new members, please let us know. Call Lucy Dyer at 455-8045, or e-mail [ldyer@unb.ca](mailto:ldyer@unb.ca).

Submitted by FBGA Membership committee (Nancy Beltrandi, Janis Boston, Deolinda Cardosa, Lucy Dyer, Jane Edwards, and Linda Glassford).

## Memorials

By the time you read this the Memorial Grove will have been completed. The magnolias and Japanese maples were all planted last fall and survived the winter very well by next spring there should be a lovely show of blooms. The memorial boulder will be installed by the end of November with the first names engraved upon it. There are also two beautiful benches in the garden and it should be a delightful place to sit, appreciate the plants and spend a quiet period.

The memorial benches in the Entrance Garden now have memorial plaques on them. There are now six new benches placed throughout the Garden that are available for memorializing. These benches are a beautiful maroon colour identical to the benches in the Entrance Garden. They have been placed as follows, one has been placed in the new upper perennial bed immediately downhill from the entrance garden, a second has been placed at the valley view kiosk with a beautiful view over the river valley. As mentioned above two benches have been placed in the Memorial Grove, another bench has been placed in the Rhododendron Garden and the final bench has been placed in Hal's Garden with a view of the pond.



These new benches may be memorialized in the name of a friend or loved one by making a donation of \$4000.00 to the Botanic Garden. Loved ones may also be remembered by having their name engraved on the boulder in the Memorial Grove for a donation of \$500.00. Donations are tax deductible. For further information on memorials please contact the Botanic Garden office at 452-9269 or by email at [fbga@nb.aibn.com](mailto:fbga@nb.aibn.com)

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To obtain information on membership and to become involved in FBGA activities please contact us:

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