



## **Fredericton Botanic Garden Association Annual General Meeting Report 2011**

*Presented at the Annual Meeting on February 4, 2012*

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**FREDERICTON BOTANIC GARDEN ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**2011  
Executive Committee**

**President – Norah Davidson-Wright  
Vice-President – Brian Parker  
Secretary – Ruth Muldrew  
Treasurer – Michael Dillon**

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## **Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting**

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

### **FREDERICTON BOTANIC GARDEN ASSOCIATION**

Annual General Meeting  
February 5, 2011  
Marysville Heritage Centre

President Norah Davidson-Wright called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion: to approve the agenda as printed  
Moved by Bill Seabrook, seconded by Richard Tarn  
Motion carried

#### **Approval of the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting**

Motion: to approve the minutes of February 13, 2010  
Moved by George Strunz, seconded by Brian Parker  
Motion carried  
There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### **Financial Report 2010**

##### **Proposed Budget 2011**

In the absence of Treasurer Mike Dillon, the Chair directed members to the Financial Report for 2010 and the budget proposed for 2011 as included in the Annual Report.

Motion: to approve the financial report and proposed budget as written  
Moved by Steve Stehouwer, Angelique Gloss  
Motion carried

#### **President's Report**

President Norah Davidson-Wright presented her report. She introduced Board members and Executive Director Graham Allen and thanked them for their dedication and work during the past year.

Motion: to accept the President's report as presented.  
Moved by Bill Seabrook, seconded by Doug Dewar  
Motion carried

#### **Committee Reports**

Motion: to accept committee reports as presented  
Moved by Brian Parker, seconded by Ruth Muldrew  
Motion carried

#### **Special Projects**

Norah Davidson-Wright, chair of the 2011 Plant Sale, advised members that plans for this year's sale were well under way.



### **Election of Trustees**

George Strunz as chair of Board Development announced the resignation of two Board members: Jacques Paynter and Carole Peacock. As the number of elected members has been gradually reduced from 12 to nine in 2009, 2010 and 2011, the effect of the resignations was one vacancy. George presented one nominee for election: Heather Connors-Dunphy.

He also presented for re-election Board members whose terms had expired: Norah Davidson-Wright and Ruth Muldrew.

There being no further nominations from the floor, all nominees were elected by acclamation.

### **Other Business**

There being none, the Annual General Meeting was declared adjourned by the Chair at 1:40 p.m.

### **The new Board held a meeting and announced the Board Executive:**

President	Norah Davidson-Wright
Vice-President	Brian Parker
Treasurer	Michael Dillon
Secretary	Ruth Muldrew

Refreshments and the Silent Auction followed, along with entertainment by Becka de Hann.

Guest speaker George Scott spoke on “Gardening Trends” and responded to questions from the audience.

Silent auction results were announced.

The meeting concluded at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Peacock



## Financial Report 2011

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Balance Sheet - As of 31/12/2011

Account	Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Chequing	5,106.20
Segregated	546.28
Shares	303.32
TOTAL Bank Accounts	5,955.80
Investors Group	10,462.15
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>16,417.95</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>16417.95</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>16417.95</b>



FBGA ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2010									
ITEM	BUDGET 2011			2011 ANNUAL TOTALS			BUDGET 2012		
	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE
<b>INCOME/FUNDING</b>									
City of Fredericton (grant)									
Province of NB (student SEED)	\$2,900		\$2,900				\$4,200	\$7,000	(\$2,800)
Gov't of Canada (student CSJ)	\$2,900		\$2,900						
Capital Fundraising	\$10,000		\$10,000	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0
Donations	\$500		\$500	\$1,294		\$1,294	\$1,500		\$1,500
Donations - Memorials	\$6,500		\$6,500	\$939		\$939	\$4,500		\$4,500
Bank charges/Interest		\$100	(\$100)	value	\$377	(\$377)		\$250	(\$250)
HST Rebate	\$1,000		\$1,000	\$888		\$888	\$200		\$200
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>23,800</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$23,700</b>	<b>\$6,132</b>	<b>\$377</b>	<b>\$5,755</b>	<b>\$10,400</b>	<b>\$7250</b>	<b>\$3,150</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES</b>									
Plant Sale - General	\$10,800	\$5,000	\$5,800	\$9,947	\$3,867	\$6,080	\$11,000	\$4,000	\$7,000
Plant Sale Raffle	\$3,500	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$2,096	\$,687	\$1,409	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,000
Plant Sale Silent Auction	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$307		\$307			
AGM Silent Auction	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500	\$914		\$914	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
Seedy Saturday	\$100	\$75	\$25				\$0	\$75	(\$75)
Treasured Garden Tour	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Talks in the Garden		\$100	(\$100)			\$0	\$0	\$100	(\$100)
Membership	\$3,000	\$200	\$2,800	\$2,550	\$135	\$2,415	\$2,500	\$200	\$2,300
Other sale items	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$20		\$20	\$100	\$0	\$100
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,200</b>	<b>\$6,375</b>	<b>\$12,825</b>	<b>\$15,834</b>	<b>\$4,689</b>	<b>\$11145</b>	<b>\$17,600</b>	<b>\$5,875</b>	<b>\$11,725</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>									
Administration - General		\$800	(\$800)		\$534	(\$534)		\$550	(\$550)
Admin. Services - (Exec. Dir.)		\$4500	(\$4,500)		\$3,209	(\$3,209)		\$3,200	(\$3,200)
AGM		\$750	(\$750)		\$561	(\$561)		\$550	(\$550)
Building	\$1,000	\$300	\$700	\$1,165		\$1,165	\$1,000		\$1000
Insurance		\$1,300	(\$1,300)		\$864	(\$864)		\$900	(\$900)
Board Development		\$100	(\$100)		\$0	\$0		\$100	(\$100)



Utilities (Telephone)		\$1,000	(\$1,000)		\$1,236	(\$1,236)		\$1,300	(\$1,600)
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$8,750</b>	<b>(\$7,750)</b>	<b>\$1,165</b>	<b>\$6,404</b>	<b>(\$5,239)</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$6,600</b>	<b>(\$5,600)</b>
<b>PUBLIC RELATIONS</b>									
Advertising		\$250	(\$250)		\$0	(\$0)		\$200	(\$200)
Newsletter		\$300	(\$300)		\$277	(\$277)		\$300	(\$300)
Web Site		\$150	(\$150)		\$48	(\$48)		\$150	(\$150)
Sale Items	\$400		\$400			\$0			
Recognition		\$50	(\$50)		\$0	\$0		\$50	(\$50)
Other activities		\$50	(\$50)		\$0	\$0			
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>\$800</b>	<b>(\$400)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$325</b>	<b>(\$325)</b>		<b>\$700</b>	<b>(\$700)</b>
<b>SITE DEVELOPMENT</b>									
Entry Garden Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Memorial Garden Devel.		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Rose Garden Devel.		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Operating		\$500	(\$500)		\$0	\$0		\$500	(\$500)
Students (Salaries etc.)		\$12,500	(\$12,500)	\$4,213	\$15,003	(\$10,790)	\$4,200	\$7,000	(\$2,800)
Pond and landscaping		\$5,000	(\$5,000)	\$30,000	\$31,233	(\$1,233)		\$5,000	(\$5,000)
White Garden completion		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Signage		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$1000	(\$1000)
Plant Collecting Acquisition		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0		\$500	(\$500)
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>(\$18,000)</b>	<b>\$34,213</b>	<b>\$46,236</b>	<b>(\$12,023)</b>	<b>\$4,200</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>(\$9,800)</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44,400</b>	<b>\$34,025</b>	<b>\$10,375</b>	<b>\$57,344</b>	<b>\$58,130</b>	<b>(\$3,698)</b>	<b>\$33,200</b>	<b>\$34,425</b>	<b>(\$1,225)</b>



## President's Report

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your President for the last two years. It has been fascinating to learn about the Association and its history and to be able to play a small role in moving our goals forward. 2011 has seen many accomplishments for our Garden and for the Association. We held our Seedy Saturday in partnership with ACORN in March. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Plant Sale was held at the Boyce Farmer's Market, with treasures and wonderful cultivars to tempt everyone. We realized a profit of \$6386.53 from the sale alone. Plants that remained after the sale were set out in our propagation beds for this year's sale. Our newsletters have been published to the membership. In exploring ways to reach out, the Board heard from David Seabrook, Fredericton Tourism, about marketing and publicity. We have improved our presence on Facebook, geared up our Publicity Committee (consisting of Heather Connors-Dunphy, Ruth Muldrew and Ian Veach) and have just launched our revised website, thanks to many hours particularly from Ian Veach. We are actively seeking one or more people to chair the Membership Committee. We are considering instituting an education committee too.

In June, the Association hosted the Community Services Committee meeting at the Resource Centre. We were disappointed that only one Councilor attended the meeting, but we received great press coverage. As your president, I took the opportunity to explain our position that the Association's role is to develop the Garden, while the City's role is to maintain the Garden. A similar opportunity was also utilized at the City Council Budget Deliberations. This time, most of our City Councilors were present hear about the obligations spelled out in the LIA Agreement. I believe that we have taken this discussion several steps forward, though there is still not a line for Garden maintenance in the City budget for the second year running. We will continue to keep our City Council aware of the Garden, the Association, and the City's role in this. Once again, we received very good press coverage of our position.

The Local Improvement Association has met twice in 2011, and already has met once this year. Together with the Association members, Wayne Talon, Don Murray and Julie Baker have been working hard, reviewing the Garden's maintenance requirements, exploring signage issues, the LIA agreement itself as well as locating the historical documentation of the LIA. Without the dedication of City Staff, past and present, we could not have accomplished all that we have done.

Translation unavailable at this time





As you review our financial situation and the year's budget, you will note the lack of funds. Future summer student hires will work on programs of the Association and Garden development, not on maintenance as in the past. We will be pursuing grants to further develop the garden. There are many ways to support our association; financial support being only one way, whether by membership, purchase, donation, memorial, or bequest; sharing your gardening knowledge, your planting and potting skills, helping on a committee, taking on a task for the plant sale.... many ways to show your support. Please find ways to visit the garden and have your friends visit too.

The Environmental Trust Fund grant has been spent on the Pond Garden. We will be looking for volunteers to help with planting. The Board of Directors has decided to apply funds raised from the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Plant Sale to construct a bridge at the pond site. To that purpose, we hope to see you at the sale on May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Boyce Farmer's Market. This year the sale theme is Hardy Roses and Companion Plants. We are also featuring Heritage Tomatoes and Peppers and Herbs. There will be a good selection of rhododendrons as well. Talks in the Garden are being organized and Notices will be emailed and announced in the media once the schedule has been finalized. Seedy Saturday is moving back to the Resource Centre on March 17, 2012.

This year we will be continuing to update our plan for the Garden, looking at costs and funding sources, reviewing our brochures and signage, and planning for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plant Sale for 2013. On behalf of our Board of Directors, and the entire organization, I want to express my thanks to Michael Dillon and George Strunz, who have served this association as Directors for nine years. Their commitment has made a positive difference.

On a personal note, I wish to thank the Board Members for their support and commitment during my tenure as Chair. Thank you for making me a part of the team! I also want to thank our Executive Director, Graham Allen, who is so great to work with.

I believe that the Association is moving forward in a very positive way to realize our goals for the Garden, to update our Vision and Image and to promote this amazing place in Fredericton that belongs to us all. Join us, please. We'd love to have you be a part of the dream coming true.

Norah Davidson-Wright  
President, Fredericton Botanic Garden Association



## Board Development Committee

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

The composition and term status of the FBGA Board of Trustees that served during the past twelve months is shown below:

### **Serving till 2014 AGM**

1. Ruth Muldrew (2nd term)
2. Norah Davidson-Wright (2nd term)

### **Serving till 2013 AGM**

1. Brian Parker (3rd term)
2. Bill Seabrook (3rd term)

### **Serving till 2012 AGM**

1. Mike Dillon (3rd term) \*
2. George Strunz (3rd term)\*
3. Valerie Hillier (2nd term) \*\*
4. Heather Connors-Dunphy (appointed replacement for Carole Peacock)\*\*\*
5. Ian Veach (1st term)\*\*\*\*

\* 3 terms completed

\*\* resigned

\*\*\* (To be reelected into first term)

\*\*\*\* (To be reelected into second term)

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### Terms of Reference: Board Development Committee

- 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



## Membership Committee

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

Over the past year the membership committee struggled without an active Chairperson.

There were 8 new member gained this year. Support is appreciated from the new members, and extend them all a hearty welcome to the organization. It is hoped they will become actively involved. At the end of 2011, the membership stood at 174, consisting of 82 Individual memberships, 46 Senior/student memberships, and 45 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 membership booth at the Annual Plant Sale in May and distributing brochures. We also set up a small Botanic Boutique at the Plant sale, to generate some extra revenue for the Association by selling the Association's attractive, high quality green t-shirts, FBGA pins, and aprons.

- Attending Seedy Saturday to promote membership.

- Gift memberships were promoted via the Newsletter.

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, Kent Garden Centre, Scott's Nursery and Wetmore's Nursery.

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 improve these where possible
4. Encourage the purchase of promotional items (T-shirts, pins) etc.

Thanks go to all volunteers who helped sell memberships at the Plant Sale.

## Building Committee

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

The Resource Center had several groups use the building. There are two quilting groups, the River Valley Obedience Club, Senior Agrologists Group, Canadian Aviation Historical Society and Local Improvement Association, used the space for meetings as well as the various Fredericton Botanic Garden Association committees.

The interior was painted throughout in the spring, thanks to the City of Fredericton maintenance staff.

There were no expenses to the association in 2011.

Respectively submitted

Charlie Fullarton



## Website

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

The responsibility for the website was taken over by Board member Ian Lee Veach. The site was updated. Look forward to the new look in early 2012.

Thank-you to Bill Hall who has maintained the site for its inception in 2003

## Publicity Committee

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

The Publicity Committee was created in November of 2011 with the following as terms of reference:

Maintain a list of local and provincial media contacts

Represent FBG at tourism related events

Participate in Fredericton Tourism meetings and events

Maintain on-going relationship with Daily Gleaner and CBC

Use every occasion to promote the garden, including contacting the Gleaner on special events, using the FBG website and Facebook to let the public know what is going on in the garden.

Ensure common look and feel across Web, Facebook, signage, brochures etc.

Attend the AGM and Special meetings and events

Provide periodic update in newsletter

Submit a report of activity quarterly to the Board and report on activity at the AGM.

The committee is striving to increase the public's recognition of garden and the value it brings to the community. Since its inception the committee has:

Completely revised the FBGA website. You can find it at <http://frederictonbotanicgarden.com>. A huge vote of thanks to Ian Veach for his great work on this project.

Commenced active promotion of the garden through the FBGA Facebook group. Check this out at and become a member.

Begun publicizing FBG events i.e. notice of this meeting on CBC and in the Daily Gleaner and other publications.

Future plans include a complete review of brochures... both hard copy and on-line, a closer relationship with Tourism Fredericton, promotion of the plant sale, promotion of the Talks in the Garden series, and promotion of the opening of the pond garden.

Respectfully submitted

Heather Connors-Dunphy, Publicity Chair

Ian Veach, Webmaster

Ruth Muldrew



## Education and Outreach

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

A successful Rhododendron tour was held on the afternoon of June 11, 2011. Approximately 40 members and visitors turned out on a sunny afternoon to hear Garth Nickerson, who curated the collection when it was growing at the former NB Horticulture Nursery at Hoyt, talk about Azaleas and Rhododendrons and answer questions about their management. Garth then led participants around the beds commenting on specific cultivars. This was probably the best Rhododendron tour ever. See the photo gallery of this event on the website.

Efforts are now underway to identify the Azalea and Rhododendron cultivars (see the Site Development Report) and names should be on many of them in the spring of 2012.

The Board is recommencing the Talks in the Garden Series. The tentative dates and topics follow. All presentations will be at the Resource Centre at 7pm. There will be no admittance charge but donations of non-perishable food items will be collected for the food bank. Tea, coffee and goodies will be provided after the session.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Date</b>
Watershed	Shawn Dalton	February 16
Vietnam	Julie Baker	March 15
Fruit Growing	Evans Estabrooks	April 19
Container Design and Planting	Heather Connors-Dunphy	May 17

There are several other topics being considered. Please give us your suggestions for topics you'd like to learn about.

Notices will be placed in the newsletter, on the website, on our Facebook group page, in the local media, i.e. the Daily Gleaner and the Rogers TV notice board.

Richard Tarn

Heather Connors-Dunphy



## Site Development

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 4, 2012*

### 2011 Accomplishments

The FBGA's Environmental Trust Fund project was used to purchase plants for the beds around the new ponds. However, the pond grading and excavation was not completed and the plants remain in pots and propagations beds. We are hoping an issue with the contractor will be quickly resolved in the spring of 2012. In the absence of funding, no progress was made with the Rose Garden development in 2011.

A start has been made in naming the plants in the Rhododendron and Azalea collection. Owen Washburn was able to photograph 148 of about 210 plants in the 12 beds south of the ponds, in the Hal Hinds memorial Garden and at the Resource Centre. Matching the photographs with descriptions of cultivars known to be in the collection is being assisted by Garth Nickerson, NB Department of Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries, who curated the collection at Hoyt before it was moved to the Garden.

The raised beds constructed in 2010 have been a great success for propagating perennials for the Plant Sale and for growing on plants intended for Garden beds.

In 2010 a pair of Bluebirds nesting in the new nest boxes caused considerable excitement, so there was disappointment in 2011 when they did not return and only tree swallows occupied the nest boxes.

### 2012 Plans

The priority for 2012 is the completion of the of the pond project. When the excavation and grading has been completed, member volunteers will be called on to assist with the planting. The Board has determined that Plant Sale revenue will be used to build a bridge to the island in the upper pond. Identification of Rhododendrons and Azaleas will continue, and identified plants will be labeled. Options will be explored to provide information on cultivars in perennial plantings.

### Acknowledgements

Maintenance of the Botanic Garden is the responsibility of the City of Fredericton and in the past has had a big assist from summer students hired by the FBGA. In most years this has gone very well. However, resources were severely squeezed in 2011 as already noted in the President's report. Nevertheless, our summer students, Jenna Walker and Nicole Armstrong, supported in part by a Canada Summer Jobs grant, did a great job without the full-time participation of a City employee. I wish to acknowledge the contribution of Julie Baker, City Horticulturalist, and Troy Bright, foreman at Odell Park, for ensuring the maintenance work, including mowing, went as well as it did. After many years of service on the Site Development Committee, Brian Cochrane, manager of Parks and Trees, retired from his City position. He has been a keen supporter of the Garden and has facilitated maximum use of available resources from the City and this Association. Part way through the year we welcomed his successor Don Murray.

Lastly I wish to recognize the participation and contributions of all Site Development Committee members – Brian Cochrane, Julie Baker, Don Murray, Charlie Fullarton, Brian Parker, Owen Washburn and Jane Seabrook. The Committee met on two occasions and members did additional work between meetings. Once again I wish to recognize the leadership provided by Brian Parker in his role as a volunteer which is in addition to the contract work he does from time to time for the Fredericton Botanic Garden as the senior landscape artist with the Glenn Group Ltd.

Richard Tarn  
Chair, Site Development Committee



## Site Development Financial

### INCOME

Province of NB (Environmental Trust Fund)	30,000.00
Government of Canada (CSJ program)	4,213.00
	<b>34,213.00</b>

### EXPENSES

Pond project	Bamboo World	1,977.49
	Design Art Signs	403.64
	Dynex Manufacturing Ltd	1,869.53
	Scott's Nursery	22,029.36
	Cambridge Pen & Design	2,825.00
	Bluestem Nursery	2,128.05
		<b>31,233.07</b>

Salary	13,879.32
Employer Costs (includes WHSCC)	1,124.98
	<b>15,004.30</b>

OVERALL TOTAL	<b>(12,024.37)</b>
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## PROPOSAL TO AMEND FBGA BY-LAWS

*The Board of Trustees of the FBGA has approved the following amendments to the By-laws of the Association relating to membership, to be submitted to the Annual General Meeting in February 2012. The proposed changes have three purposes: 1) to bring the by-laws up-to-date with current practices; 2) to simplify the removal of a member who is found not to subscribe to the objects of the association; and 3) to correct an error in article number that appears to have been made at some unknown time in the past.*

### Article 3 MEMBERSHIP

- 3.01 Any person who subscribes to the objects of the Association ~~may apply for membership.~~ **shall be eligible for membership in the Association.**
- 3.02 Any corporation, partnership or society which subscribes to the objects of the Association shall be eligible for associate membership. Each associate member shall be deemed to be one member, and may designate any person as its representative at any meetings of the Association and that person shall be eligible to vote.
- 3.03 Application for membership in the Association shall be made to the ~~Board of Trustees of the Association which may either accept or reject the application.~~ **Executive Director of the Association by any person who subscribes to the objects of the Association. Upon receipt of such dues as may be established by the Board of Trustees under article 4.06 c), the Executive Director shall issue a membership card to the applicant.**
- 3.04 Honorary members of the Association may be appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Association but shall not be eligible to vote.
- 3.05 All members shall have the right to speak and make representations at meetings of the Association and, with the exception of honorary members, all members shall have the right to vote and to hold office.
- 3.06 The rights of membership in the Association are subject to the payment of all annual and special dues levied in accordance with Article ~~7~~ **4.06 c)** of these by-laws.
- 3.07 The Board of Trustees of the Association by ~~unanimous~~ **a vote of two-thirds of the members present** at any meeting duly called may terminate the membership of any members, ~~who they consider not to subscribe to the objects of the Association. but such action shall have no force or affect until approved by at least two thirds of the votes cast at a special general meeting of the members of the Association duly called for considering the same.~~





## **Plant Sale and Raffle 2011**

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting on February 5, 2011*

The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Plant Sale was held on May 30<sup>th</sup> this year. The Board confirmed that future plant sales would take place on the Last Sunday in May every year as it was felt that confusion arose between the 4<sup>th</sup> and last Sunday in years when there are five Sundays in May.

Thanks in large part to a large donation of plant material from the Estate of Stephen Storey as well as our purchased plants, we had a good selection of prime plants for the sale.

This year saw an increase in profit from about \$7,200.00 in 2009 to \$9,500.00 in 2010 (sales were up and expenses were down for the plant raffle and Silent Auction).

Kent's Building Supplies donated a big barbeque at cost for our raffle and Charlie Fullarton made absolutely beautiful white ash garden furniture.

The Silent Auction was very successful. We focused on garden related items and although there were fewer items, the interest was very positive.

This year we invited organizations to display information at the plant sale whose interests were similar to the purpose of the Fredericton Botanical Garden Association. This new feature received a positive response from the contributors as well as sale-goers, and will be incorporated into the 2011 Plant Sale.

The heritage tomatoes and peppers were a huge hit. The displays were swarmed and the response was wonderful. A special thanks to Bill Seabrook for making this feature an unqualified success!

This year also saw some great new volunteer talent and ideas to mix with the seasoned plant sale volunteers. We had a few new ideas out, and have a few more coming forward this year. I am especially pleased that the Fredericton Botanical Garden Association has its own propagation beds and in 2011, Fredericton Botanical Garden Association's plant material will be on sale.

We also feel that publicity was especially effective this year. Thank you Carole Peacock!

Thank you to the donors of items for our Silent Auction, including Mayfield Nursery, Kingsbrae Gardens, Saltscapes, Lee Valley Tools and Vesey's Seeds.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped in so many ways.

A special thank you to the Plant Sale Committee; Brian Parker, Richard Tarn, Carole Peacock, Ian Veach, Ruth Muldrew, Bill Seabrook, Heather Connors Dunphy and Doug Dewar. You did a fantastic job!

Norah J. Davidson-Wright  
Chair, 22<sup>nd</sup> Plant Sale Committee



<b>Plant Sale and Raffle 2011</b>					
<b>INCOME</b>			<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Plant Sale</b>			<b>Plant Sale</b>		
Plant Sale	9946.61		Strawberries		258.52
Silent Auction	307.00		ARHS	rhododendrons	190.34
<b>Plant Sale Income</b>	<b>10253.61</b>		Van Noort Bulb Co	lilies	291.86
			Posters		20.84
Gift in Kind (Rowan's Greenhouses)	25.00		Tomato & Pepper Seeds		104.13
Gift in Kind (Smith's Landscaping)	175.38		Potting soil		19.20
Gift in Kind (Hayward's Potato)	29.76		Peat Moss		32.76
<b>Total Plant Sale Income</b>	<b>10503.39</b>		Greenhouse repairs		89.09
			Canning Perennials		933.34
			C. Frensch Ltd	labels	93.21
<b>Raffle</b>			Newmarket Properties	market rental	450.00
market sales	1160.39		Supplies		68.83
member sales	936.00		Scott's Nursery	Promix, etc	207.75
<b>Raffle income</b>	<b>2096.39</b>		Volunteer refreshments		102.45
Gift in Kind (benches)	1025.00		Department Of Biology		280.00
			Brunswick News	Ads	392.79
<b>Total Raffle Income</b>	<b>3121.39</b>		BBQ supplies		331.85
			<b>Plant Sale Expenses</b>		<b>3867.08</b>
<b>Income Plant Sale &amp; Raffle</b>	<b>13605.14</b>		Gift in Kind Adjustment		230.14
			<b>Total Plant Sale Expenses</b>		<b>4097.22</b>
			<b>Raffle</b>		
			Raffle License		50.00
			Tickets		171.81
			Wood for prizes		72.98
			Postage	Letters	106.67
			BBQ prize		226.00
			Market rental		60.00
			<b>Raffle Expenses</b>		<b>687.46</b>
			Gift in Kind Adjustment		1025.00
			<b>Total Raffle</b>		<b>1712.46</b>
			<b>Total Plant Sale and Raffle</b>		<b>5809.68</b>
			<b>Net Plant Sale and Raffle</b>		<b>7795.46</b>



**Comparison table from previous years of Plant Sales and Raffles**

Comparisons	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Plant Sale											
Revenue	12290.73	14784.39	14436.97	14233.60	11492.00	9748.97	10697.39	10085.16	8744.35	10689.52	9946.11
Expense	4012.08	3400.95	6100.22	3438.35	3854.70	3924.02	4278.40	3528.77	4129.65	4551.68	3895.36
Raffle											
Revenue	4316.52	6278.95	5886.5	3911.60	3901.08	4613.80	4322.93	4778.45	3388.95	3510.30	2096.39
Expense	635.68	809.64	865.59	891.26	404.86	553.22	801.01	1139.69	872.62	777.99	687.46
Silent Auction					902.00	648.00	641.00	366.00	185.00	370.50	307.00
Net	11959.49	16852.75	13357.66	13815.69	12035.52	10252.91	9940.91	10561.15	7131.03	9540.65	7795.46

**Comparison table from previous years of the Treasured Garden Tours and AGM Silent Auctions**

Comparisons	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>Treasured Garden Tour</b>							
Revenue	3845.00	3945.00	2670.00	2658.21	3101.67		
Expenses	2132.07	1883.58	909.18	2077.66	2489.51		
Net Income	1712.93	2061.42	1760.82	580.55	612.16		
<b>AGM Silent Auction</b>							
Revenue	1039.00	2258.81	1625.50	1570.78	1269.00	1152.55	914.35
Expenses	123.48	216.74	114.26	300.59	18.00	0.00	0.00