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From the Chair, Pamela MacLean

Hello My Gardening Friends:

I hope you are all well and enjoying the beauty before us as our gardens grow and bloom. For sure this year will go down in the history books and be remembered for many things.

Convention and our Annual General Meeting were not held in June; therefore, we did not transfer over our executive or instate our new directors. We hope to instate them on a temporary basis at our semi-annual meeting in September, providing we are able to hold this meeting.

Our incoming NSAGC Chair is Kathy d'Entremont. Kathy started with the board in 2017 as District Director in the Western District #7 from Bridgetown to Yarmouth. She has brought many great ideas to our board as director and kindly stepped up to fill the Vice Chair position when it became vacant. Kathy is an avid gardener with a concern for the environment and the birds and bugs. Her focus is protecting the native flora and fauna in order to maintain a healthy ecosystem as much as possible. We welcome Kathy and I am certain she will do an amazing job.

As I am the outgoing Chair, I would like to thank the present board for their great work over the past two years. Joining the NSAGC board 11 years ago was an enlightening and enjoyable way to serve. I met many gardeners from one end of the province to the other and was able to assist where I could. This board works together and does what is best for our members. I would also like to thank Vicki Willis as she completes nine years on the board this year, finishing off as Past President, and Susan Hazelwood, who served as secretary for the past nine years. Both will certainly be missed.



I hope you all enjoy the rest of this beautiful season.



Hants North Late Bloomers Garden Club - Zooming Along

Due to social distancing measures needed, we had to cancel our monthly meeting in April. We decided for our May meeting to try an online meeting via Zoom. On Wednesday, May 13th we held the meeting at 7 PM and it was a success!

We held our usual business meeting and planned some socially distanced activities for the club. We also spent time catching up with each other, which everyone enjoyed. We will continue using this online format until social distancing rules are relaxed. I would definitely recommend this to other clubs to try!

Geoff MacDonald

Pictou and Area Garden Club Virtual Plant Sale

This year due to COVID-19, Pictou and Area Garden Club explored making a virtual plant sale. We worked together on a plan to stay within the provincial health guidelines. Wow, what a success it was. Our sales topped \$2,500!



This was not an easy task for our members to accomplish by any means, and many thanks to all. It was a real team effort. Covid-19 allowed us to think “outside the box.”

Our success grew from our efforts to keep in touch with our garden club members. Heather Mattie is our “tech guru,” and she convinced me to “go live” on Facebook with some gardening tips almost every day. Not exactly in my comfort zone! Our online membership grew like crazy. We had a whole group of untapped garden enthusiasts who wanted something meaningful to learn during our collective effort to kick this virus. It was the right thing at the right time. Who knew?

Over the weeks of media activity, our garden club sale was actively promoted. We used many social media sites, such as Facebook and YouTube, and traditional communication such as newspapers. We had an overwhelming response when we did the “big reveal” on my live stream of plants available. We had to stop the orders less than 24 hours after we started! We ran out of many plants. We were lucky that there was a bit of a lengthy process of filling the orders. Our garden club members were ready on the spot and went back to their gardens and filled more orders than we ever could have at our usual event.

We had one central location for the plants to be delivered, organized, and ready for pick-up. Debbie

Palmer was our scribe for the tags. Our secretary, Monica Booth, kept the orders organized for our team, and our treasurer, Linda Johnson, kept me informed on the e-transfer payments so we could schedule a time for pick-up. Some orders were done with cash. These were placed in a sealed envelope with their name on it and dropped into a basket at pick-up. Linda was the only one to handle them and took them at the end of each day, keeping in line with safety protocols.

We had lots of really excellent feedback. Many of our supporters told us 1 ... they could never get to our sale in previous years, 2 ... with the list, they could look up the plants and make educated choices and 3 ... they loved the ability to do e-transfers for payment. A very huge positive was many who participated now want to become members of our club when we get going again. We even have some who want to join our club if we can set up the meetings on Zoom, Google Meet or some other online program.

We hope COVID will be gone next year, and we may not do a fully online sale, but... we'll definitely post a list of available plants ahead of time. Online shopping is here to stay for the foreseeable future... especially with the younger folks. These are the garden club members of the future.



Pot Palace

So far this year, I have worn out a pair of jeans, gloves, and shirt gardening! My husband and I built this "Pot Palace" from April to mid May. We used it to pot up over 600 plants. We sold the plants at end of our driveway. Lots of folks got great deals.

Darlene Heart

A Great Time to Connect NSAGC Facebook Group - The Place to be!

A 9,500+ member, active on-line community of gardeners.

Check out our NEW LOOK NSAGC website
www.nsagc.com

**Elmsdale Country Gardening Club
Gardening during a Pandemic!**

We managed an in-person meeting in March, when there were no cases in the province and we could meet as long as we kept distance from each other. Remember those times? Two bee-keepers, Garth Horne and Glen Davis, gave a fascinating talk on bees, and we all had a taste of mead.

Since then we have been using Zoom for our monthly meetings, using a variety of computers, tablets and cell phones. Since none of us are very good at it we met with varied success, but it was great to be able to “see” as well as talk to each other. Sadly we had to cancel a speaker for our next meeting, and also the spring plant sale. This is our only fund-raising event, used to pay speakers an honorarium and for an annual award to a horticulture student.



A member of our group got some of the West Coast Seeds that were going to be given out at the NSAGC convention, and we have been comparing notes by email on growing these, and also on successes and failures in our

gardens. We seem to have developed an increased interest in gardening! We have also been busy looking after the milkweed plants given out and bought at the NSAGC conventions in Bridgewater and New Minus in preparation for the Monarch butterflies. One of our group distributed seeds and seedlings from her plants.



Our big community event is to look after the “Garden of Hope” in Elmsdale. We decided that it would be fun to get together and try to get the garden in shape! We checked and were



told by the RCMP that we could meet to look after the garden as long as we arrived in separate cars and we were just five people. We kept physical distance from each other. It was fun and rewarding.

Carol Morrison

From the Desk of the Editor

So much has changed since Covid-19 but our gardens remain safe places to be.

At the usual deadline for the Scotia Gardener in mid June we were still in “lockdown” in Nova Scotia, so understandably, we had very few submissions. As things began to open up, clubs found ways to work outside in community gardens, hold meetings over Zoom, and even held real and “virtual” plant sales. Your submissions started coming in with so many creative ideas on how to keep clubs moving forward during this pandemic. Gardeners always find a way.

As nothing is “normal” these days, this Scotia Gardener is now a **July/August** edition, off our usual schedule of publication. The next edition will be an **November/December** edition and then, hopefully, back to our usual April, July, October, December dates.

It has been my privilege and delight to be your Scotia Gardener editor since 2009, 11 years, but now it is time for me to retire. Being editor is the best NSAGC job. I have been able to meet and work with so many of you. Thank you all for your support and patience.

If you are interested, please contact me or a member of the NSAGC executive (see page 6). I am sure there are members who have the interest and publishing skills and would enjoy being our editor.

But for now...the deadline for the November/December issue is October 30.

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Bridgetown Area Garden Club Keep Spirit Alive

The Bridgetown Area Garden Club has endeavoured to keep the spirit of the club alive for our members during lockdown with a few online and appropriately distanced activities. Our club [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) have helped us to achieve this, but we are mindful of our members who don't use Facebook, so emails are circulated periodically to ensure everyone is kept informed. Here are some of the things we have been up to!

Just before 'lock down' we had introduced a 'Can of Worms' Gardening Q&A slot to our monthly meetings; members would write down their gardening questions and drop them into a receptacle - one question would then be picked for discussion at the next meet. This is now a weekly activity on Facebook; it really helps that photos and links to further info can be easily added.

Nova Scotia Provincial Gardening Week activity saw club volunteers hard at work to refresh and replant the town flower planters, which are now being kept watered by a team of club volunteers. We have also refurbished and planted our popular Canada Day Canoe, which is now a permanent installation in



Jubilee Park; we are looking forward to using it for a festive display this winter too!

For Canada Day, we launched a photo competition for members, and in place of our usual summer garden tours we have created a private Facebook group for members to share pictures of their gardens. The Executive have recently trialled video tours of their gardens, but there are a few technical issues to iron out before we decide if this could be rolled out!

We are hoping to resume some carefully organised social events later this year, but in the meantime it's great to be able to continue to interact via social media.

Deborah Bowes-Lyon



The Safest Place is in Your Garden



Lower Sackville Garden Club Plant Sale May 30, 2020



**Dartmouth Horticultural Society
2018-2020 Notes**

Greetings to all NSAGC clubs, and we hope that our shared interest in gardening has helped you all get through this initial period of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Given the scarcity of seeds and plant material in some areas of NS this spring, any upcoming seed and plant exchanges in clubs may prove very popular!

DHS completed its 60th Anniversary Year in 2018 with the fall planting of a Tamar Umah tree in a section of garden at Sullivan's Pond in Dartmouth that is maintained by our club. A commemorative plaque was attached.



Colour around the birdbath

2019 was a year full of our usual activities under the leadership of President Eileen Pease and a very active Executive Committee. We held monthly meetings with 30 minutes of business, a short social, and over an hour for a guest speaker. We held seed and plant exchanges in spring, winter, and fall, and summer tours of member gardens. Our August and December meetings included potlucks and other activities. Membership continued to be over 100 with new members/guests at most meetings. The budget was healthy enough to allow us to make a donation to the Dartmouth North Community Food centre, and give two bursaries to students at the Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University. This was the first time we were able to do this in our 25+ years of giving bursaries. Our annual plant sale on June 1st, organized by Doreen Windsor and a great crew of volunteers, was our most successful yet, both financially and in implementing some new



Spring in my rock garden

procedures, offering displays on our club and membership information. The club display was held at the Woodlawn Library in May and during Gardening Week in June. A number of members attended the HRM District Meeting in April and the NSAGC Convention in June in New Minus. A big thanks to Patricia Othen, who worked even harder in her second year as Program Chair, finding some amazing educational speakers and filling in one night when the speaker did not arrive!



Afternoon light on peonies

Patricia also hosted our July meeting and speaker in her garden. It had the highest meeting turnout all year. As usual, the Gaggle of Gardeners Bus Trip in July was sold-out.

In the beginning of 2020 our club had lots of activity as we welcomed new officers: President, Maggie Parker-Gionet, Program Chair, Caroline Hamilton, Membership Chair, Susan Hazelwood, and Treasurer, Linda Mosher, and were grateful for the continued work of Communications, Debbie Coles, Communications, Janet Quigg, Publicity, and Claire Griggs and Avis Faulkner, Co-Secretaries, with Eileen Pease offering support as Past President. Several executive meetings were held in the winter to develop more stream-lined meetings, allowing for more speaker time, upgrades to our digital presence on Facebook, and replacement of our worn-out microphone and laptop equipment to enhance the educational component of our meetings. We began work on our role in the Spring HRM District Meeting, the annual budget was approved (including a Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture bursary) and membership dues collected by the end of February. And then all our planning had to abruptly change because of the federal government-mandated lockdown due to increased Covid-19 Pandemic activity in Canada.

After much consideration and consultation, the Executive had to inform the membership that meetings were cancelled for the spring, including our plant sale and district meeting. Many thanks to Patricia Othen, who initiated public health-friendly member garden tours in July and August and to the members who offered their gardens. At the time of this report our meeting venue has yet to re-opened, so plans for fall meetings have not been firmed up.....unless we can meet outdoors, of course.

Avis Faulkner

Fall River Garden Club

This was an unusual year for garden clubs wanting to hold their plant sale. Our club decided to go ahead in early June as most of our members had either started a large number and variety of plants



from seed or transplanted a lot of cuttings and divisions from their garden. We could not use our normal venue

(Waverley Legion), so we came up with an alternative location – the LWF Community Hall (formally a local fire station with three garage bays). It had lots of tables and offered the place at no charge.

We advertised mainly through social media in the area and did not use our usual method of posters in most of the local stores or large roadside signs. Fortunately, we still had a wonderful turnout. We opened 2 doors and had one as entry, the other exit... with social distancing. Only two buyers were allowed inside at a time, and one of our members drew flowers and words between each of the six-foot-apart chalk lines on the pavement and sidewalk.

This year we did not have as many plants, about just over half, and we did not put a price on any... we merely asked that people give a



'generous donation'. There was a donation box and a sign telling them that we use the funds for maintaining three local gardens, giving a bursary to a Dalousie Faculty of Agriculture student, and donating to the Lion's Christmas fund. And, maybe not so surprisingly, people did give such that we were overly surprised at the amount we received!

Some plants were left over so we put them out by the road in front of house of two members (this was also advertised on local media). Again, it was by donation, and all the plants went in two days...



again with very generous donations. Overall we felt we had quite a successful plant sale this year despite the

health concerns, fewer offerings and less advertising.

With some of the funds, we planted some colourful annuals in our three community gardens including the LWF Hall and Fire Museum. We have numerous remarks and 'thankyous' from residents of the area for what we do.

Next year we hope to return to our usual format and venue and with all the exposure we had this year, we trust it will perhaps be bigger and better...

Lawrence Spencer

Feed Nova Scotia Grow a Row

Do you have too many tomatoes and not enough friends and family willing to take them off your hands? Or is your community garden bursting with fresh veggies? Consider donating your excess to a local food bank. If you don't have extra produce, you can participate in the Grow A Row movement - <https://www.growarow.org> - by planting a row of vegetables to donate. Across Nova Scotia, there are hundreds of food banks, shelters and meal programs – all of which are always looking for sources of healthy food for their clients. If you don't know where to find a place to take your extra food, check out the Feed Nova Scotia web site - <https://www.feednovascotia.ca/find-food> - or call 211. You will make a difference in the life of someone less fortunate than yourself in your own community!

Susan Hazelwood

Yarmouth Garden Club Brown Street Community Garden

One of the many activities of the Yarmouth Garden Club is planting and maintaining the Brown Street



parking lot in downtown Yarmouth. If they look like they are having fun – they are! Members plant it, water it, weed it, and clean it up in the fall. YGC is dedicated to the beautification of their community.

The Village Garden Club Member's Spring Tour

It is the custom of the local garden club members in District 3 South, which includes the Gore, Rawdon, and Woodville in Hants Co., to tour each other's gardens every spring.

This year, regardless of Covid-19, saw the 20 or so members enjoyed once more the outdoor garden tours, but without the usual indoor tea and hospitality. They were well attended, and the weather was warm and sunny during the long spring evenings, a time of the day for that season of the year that the members preferred to gather together.

The first garden property viewed surrounded the



Home of Sue MacGuier, with handmade wrought iron rose trellis home of Sue McGuer, located on Bar Settlement Road, a quiet secondary road just off the main highway through the Rawdon Hills where she has kept her gardens for the past 40 years.



Shrub & perennial border

evergreen trees. The brown structured house with solar panels on one side of the roof was neatly situated on a slope of the land.



Wrought Iron Trellis

Her front door faced a wide semi-circular rock doorstep which flowed onto the lawn that descended to a granite rock terrace that sheltered a perennial flower garden in full bloom. Small rose bushes

were neatly arranged abutting a manicured lawn which stopped at a line of evergreen trees in the forest beyond.



150-200 yr old tree in Sue's yard. Children us it as a playhouse

At the side and back of the house was a



vegetable garden containing a cold frame with delicate and lush looking transplants. A very handy device for our short Nova Scotia growing season. And growing up the side of the house was a sturdy climbing rose on a solid wrought iron trellis. Sue explained that in 2015, the winter of the deep snow, she was standing on a snowdrift trimming the rose canes in March.

The next garden member we visited was the home of Pat MacPhee, situated on Route 354 among the hills of Upper Rawdon. We entered the wide drive with perennials in full bloom on both sides backed by a rustic wooden fence and sheltered by the evergreen forest. The pretty house could not be seen directly from the highway as the driveway veered to a right angle where a large graveled area neatly accommodated our dozen or so vehicles.



Pat MacPhee holding a Ingrid Lingren climbing rose, no longer available on the open market

We were surrounded by more flowers from clumps of day lilies to shrubs in full bloom. Further on was a lush vegetable garden, and beyond that was a small wooden fenced area reserved for family pets that had passed on over the years. Pat also had beautiful mature roses on two large trellises in the yard at the side of the house where the pink climber intertwined



Members enjoying Pat MacPhee's well managed property

with the deep red bush. In the surrounding flower beds, she had all the plants labeled, easily legible to read. It was a delightful site.

We then went to Bessy Weatherhead's garden in Upper Rawdon. She had refurbished her parents' old farm house at 119 Weatherhead Drive some years ago. It too was off the highway among the Rawdon Hills. And after many years gardening herself around the house, she had hired



Kay Weatherhead and her daughter at Pat MacPhee's garden

landscapers for the first time the previous Autumn to rid her property of a tenacious weed and had them plant many daffodil bulbs to keep the deer in the surrounding forests from peeping in her kitchen window and eating her prize flowers as they first emerge in the spring.

Her Dorothy Perkins climbing rose bush at the back of the house was heavy laden with clustered pink blooms. And an old apple tree at the wooden fence was already abundant with tiny green apples.

Twilight was approaching as we next visited Kay Weatherhead's property on Highway 14 in Rawdon Gold Mines. That highway now is much busier than when they raised their family there years ago when Kay had planted all the variety of mature oaks, maples and pine trees, along with a variety of hydrangea shrubs and Rugosa rose hedging abutting the highway.

At the back of her large house is a roofed-in swimming pool much used over the years and surrounded by thick perennial flower beds intertwined with paths to the doorways of the house and pool. Beyond, through a grove of evergreen trees, was a large vegetable garden with an abundant bed of asparagus. This quiet area was all sculptured out neatly from the surrounding forest beyond.

We all had a delightful time viewing the myriad of

flowers and hearing Kay exchanging experiences that marked the planting of a certain flower or shrub.

The following week our garden visit included only one site. Brenda Bailey on the Woodville Rd. had invited us all for a tour of her garden business at the Meander River Farm and Brewery in Newport, Nova Scotia.

It was another beautiful summer evening when we parked our individual vehicles in the spacious parking lot in view of the small brewery building on



Looking at Kay Weatherhead's spacious yard

the slope of a hill. Hops already half way covered the pergolas on two sides of the building.

Once inside the building, Brenda gave us a little talk about the recent

construction of the brewery, and generously served us all a free glass of our choice of her varieties of apple cider. From there we all walked outside the back door past a patio with solid wooden tables and Adirondack chairs, to a large mowed field and a tiny distant pond with bulrushes. Brenda proudly showed us her large plot of milkweed and explained that during the previous year the larva from milkweed had lined the eaves of the brewery with their cocoons and she had had many monarch butterflies the previous summer.

She gave us a walking tour and a brief history of the extensive perennial gardens and a house on the slope down to the river that



Kay Weatherhead's lavender bed

her father-in-law had treasured and refurbished. On the way we all stopped at her well-care-for garden slope of Munstead lavender in full bloom. She gave a handful to of sweet smelling lavender to anyone who wished to have one. She is a very astute gardener, it was a pleasure listening to her talk. It was obvious she enjoys her work and she was extremely diligent about her daily care of the large gardens. Every one of us had a very pleasant evening.

There was another tour the following week, alas, I was unable to attend. The annual garden tours are a delight, which our garden club, including Gore, Rawdon, and Woodville, look forward to with every passing garden season.

Carol Clark

Bedford Horticultural Society

The Bedford Horticultural Society has been "staying the blazes home " since the state of emergency was



declared by the Premier. As a result we have not been able to attend our monthly meetings since



February. We really miss socializing with our members and listening to our guest speakers.

As things began to open up in June we held an impromptu plant sale along the busy Bedford Highway which brought in lots of customers who left very happy with many plants. We thank all who came and respected the social distancing rules. The funds go to supporting our scholarship to an NSCC



student who is studying horticulture.



On June 27th members were invited to tour Emily Walker's beautiful garden. We also viewed her new garden house where she plans to pot and grow vegetables and flowers.
Donna Burris

NSAGC Convention 2020 - Working with Nature

Halifax District was happy to host convention this year, but as you are all aware, it was not to be. Plans had been made and the team had worked hard to set everything in place prior to the pandemic. As a co-chair, I would like to take this time to thank you all for your understanding and hope you are all able to attend convention next year in Truro as plans are already underway.

I would also like to thank our wonderful, helpful team who put together an exciting line-up in anticipation. Our chair was our District Director Kathy Harvie, who brought together all the clubs and spread the jobs throughout the district. Regular meetings were held and the final details were being worked out when the decision to cancel was made in order to keep our members safe. As it turned out, we would not have been able to hold the convention as a result of the State of Emergency in our province.

The speakers, workshops and entertainment were arranged by Lawrence Spencer and Linda Derrick, the vendors were selected by Wendy Haley, the venue location and food selections were chosen by Pamela MacLean, and our treasurer and registrar was Susan Hazelwood, who also took over the secretary position from Pamela when she stepped up to co-chair with Kathy. The door prizes were chosen and solicited by Claudy Levy and Sue Corser. Publicity was being done by Sue Corser. Our volunteer MC was Patrick Sulley. Our floral competition was developed by Nancy MacCara. Jim Sharpe and Lawrence Spencer were taking care of signage. Darlene Heart and the Eastern Shore Garden Club were arranging registration, goodie bags and quizzes. The many garden tours were arranged by Pamela MacLean; gardens were offered by many on the team.

Although this year's convention did not go ahead, all those who worked on organizing did a fabulous job and we offer a huge thank you for your hard work. We also want to thank the speakers who agreed to participate, the workshop folks, Mount St Vincent University, the Public Gardens and all those who agreed to show their gardens for tours. We look forward to doing it again another time.

Pamela MacLean

Bedford Horticultural Society Memorial Garden



Members of the Bedford Horticultural Society arranged for a garden to be created in the spring of 2010. The garden was to be placed at the cenotaph at Fish Hatchery Park in

Bedford as a memorial garden. The decision was made to make a carpet bed and have the carpet bed represent a memory during the summer months for those who fought for our country.



This year is our 10th anniversary for this bed and although the design has changed over the years, the goal has always been the same. This particular design was created about five years ago and has been used ever since. We were not going to allow the current pandemic to prevent the garden from going in this year. It was planted on June 9th. This garden has come to be a mainstay in the community. Citizens are always saying thank you for doing this and they look forward to it every year.

Pamela MacLean



Death, Taxes and Daylilies!!

Death, Taxes, and DAYLILIES! What's that you say? We all know there are certain givens in the world. The first two we all have heard of but DAYLILIES? Absolutely. Despite the goings on worldwide, here in Canada and closer to home in Nova Scotia, that one certain in our world was that our beloved daylily plants would all reappear this spring, begin to show their beautiful scapes rising from the ground and soon, very soon, begin the bloom show!

We are the Nova Scotia Daylily Society. A group of 60 plus members each of whom has a passion for the daylily plant. Some of our members have daylilies as part of their regular garden - a few here and there to go with the hostas, the sedums, the peony, and whatever else we all grow. Some of us have gone a bit overboard, yours truly included. We have 25, or 50, over break 100, then on to 200 plus. Some members break the 500 mark, while others, well, are just compulsive. Most of the collections are registered daylilies, each with its own unique name and identity. The vast array of plant specimens goes from small and quaint to reaching over six feet tall, with most every size in between. Colour combinations are from basic primary colours to variations that are simply outstanding. Some of us even take it a bit further and have entered the world of creating new hybridized introductions. We take from this plant, add it to that plant and hope and dream of creating that one special outstanding new introduction that will rock the world. There are also some of our members who have taken their passion into a home-based business. They have outstanding gardens and have begun sales of selling fans and or clumps of daylilies to the public. As mentioned, each of us has a different level of interest in the daylily, but suffice it to say that as a group are just plain daylily enthusiasts who love to share everything daylily.

Ten out of twelve months each year we have meetings, plant sales, guest speakers and all sorts of daylily-themed events. So far, with provincial restrictions, we have yet to meet this season; however, our hope is that soon, very soon, we will have the chance to say hello in person once again.

We are always looking for new members and would invite you to visit our Facebook page and our website for news and lots of information on our group. We would welcome you to attend any of our meetings once they start up again.

Enjoy your gardens this season and maybe, just maybe, consider adding a new daylily or two or ten.....

Greg Sutcliffe
President
Nova Scotia Daylily Society

Seeds, Seeds, and more Seeds – Correction

In the last newsletter, this article contained a mistake. Please accept my apologies, the following is correct.

I had stated that Feed Nova Scotia provided us with boxes of vegetable seeds, every kind you can think of. It was actually not Feed Nova Scotia who provided the seeds. It was a wonderful seed company in British Columbia called West Coast Seeds. West Coast Seeds operates a Giving Back Through Seed Donations program. “Each year West Coast Seeds supports groups and organizations worldwide, through seed donations. We are proud to partner with a number of honourable causes, allowing us to promote sustainable organic growing practices. By providing seeds and materials in support of growing and environmental education programs, we continue to build community relationships and encourage others to join us in our mission to help repair the world.” (from West Coast Seeds Website).

Last year, the president of Seabreeze Garden Club Nancy MacCara, was in British Columbia and arranged for the seeds to be sent to the NSAGC so we could grow food for our local food banks that are associated with Feed Nova Scotia. Many thanks to West Coast Seeds and Nancy MacCara for their contribution. Many thanks to all those who took seeds and made or will make donations to their local food bank.



Correction

In the April 2020 edition of the Scotia Gardener, article **12 Years of Pants To NSAGC Club Members**, I misidentified Jamie McLellan as Jamie Skinner. My apologies to both Jamies. I should not try to keep two things in my head at the same time.

The Editor

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