

Friends of the Summerland Ornamental Gardens



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January 20, 2016

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday March 2 2016

7pm - 8:30 pm

Everyone is invited!

Please join us for our Annual General Meeting at the
**Summerland Research and Development Centre,
4200 Highway 97S, Summerland**

This is an exciting ***Centennial Year for the Gardens*** as well as the ***25th Anniversary for the Friends of the Gardens Society***.

A short AGM will be followed by David Gregory's presentation:

History of the Farm Picnics

In the late 1920s and throughout the 1930s, Summerland's most important and best attended community events were the "Farm Picnics". These Farm Picnics took place on the grounds surrounding the Superintendent's House at Summerland's Dominion

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**Summerland
Ornamental Gardens**
Located at:
**Summerland
Research and
Development Centre**
4200 Highway 97S
Summerland BC Canada

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Garden's Website!](#)

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Please help us by inviting
friends and family

Experimental Research Station. The date of the Picnics was June 3rd: the celebration of the King's birthday. In some years the attendance exceeded 3,500 people and 650 cars.



This presentation will describe, how the Picnics began, some of the many events that took place, some of the special guests who attended and the eventual decline of the Farm Picnics.

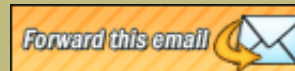


Biography:

David Gregory is a third generation Summerlander. His grandfather attended Summerland's Farm Picnics. David is a retired dentist. He was on Municipal Council, the School Board and Minor Sports Associations. He is currently active in some heritage organizations and is the Editor of the Okanagan Historical Society's Annual Reports.

Refreshments will be provided!

to support *The Friends of the Gardens.*



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GARDEN HOURS

Summer
8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Spring/Autumn
8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Winter
8:00 am to 4:00 pm
(Weather Permitting)

*Admission to the Garden is free.
A suggested donation of \$5 is appreciated.*

Board of Directors

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**There will be an opportunity to
renew your membership or join our Society.**

For more information contact:
Eva at friends.summerlandgardens@gmail.com

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Upcoming Presentations

Summerland Soils - Scott Smith
Thursday Feb 18, 12Noon - 1pm

Water-wise Gardening - Gwen Steele
Saturday Feb 27, 9am - 12Noon

The Season of the Bee: Beekeeper's Year in the Okanagan -
Kevin and Janelle Dunn
Friday Mar 11, 10am - 12Noon

Got Bats, Want Bats? - Margaret Holm
Saturday Mar 19, 10am - 12Noon

Veggies in the Desert - Kathryn McCourt
Saturday Apr 2, 10am - 12Noon

Wildflowers of South Okanagan - Harold Baumbrough
Friday Apr 15, 10am - 12Noon

All presentations will take place at the Superintendent's
House at the Gardens and we will be sending out more
detailed information closer to the dates.

Head Gardener
Wilma Kruger
Assistant Gardener
Trina Taylor
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**Pacific Agri-Food
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Garden Manager
David Weir
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[Click here to download the pdf of our Talks](#)

Please renew your membership or become a member of the Friends of Summerland Gardens!

[Click here to download the Membership Form](#) and send us a cheque.

Here is also an option to pay by PayPal.

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The Friends depend on a strong membership to ensure we can uphold the mission of keeping the Gardens maintained for all of us to enjoy. We encourage you to keep your membership up to date as your support is needed to keep us growing.

Donation

As an organization directed by a volunteer Board, we know the value of contribution and we trust that you will agree that gifts to the Gardens are beautiful, accessible and lasting.

All donations are tax deductible. You can make a secure online donation right now via our Canada Helps donation page. Donate by [clicking here](#)



Friends of the Gardens Mandate

- The official name is *Friends of the Summerland Research Station Gardens Society* is a non-profit charitable organization formed in 1991 to conserve, enhance and maintain the landscape features of the Gardens in collaboration with the Summerland Research and Development Centre.
- The Gardens are nationally significant and comprise the Okanagan's largest public botanical collection and are a top regional attraction for both residents and visitors.
- The Gardens serve as the Okanagan's leading demonstration site for landscaping in dry ecosystems and include Canada's first and largest Xeriscape Demonstration Garden where the Friends have been engaging and educating the community about water conservation landscaping since the 1990's.

Membership Benefits & Opportunities

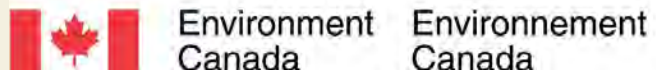
- Monthly tours, workshops and presentations
- Increase your plant and garden knowledge
- Participation in our planting and special events
- Help preserve and maintain one of the most spectacular places in British Columbia!
- Participation in future planning
- Be an advocate for horticulture and heritage preservation
- Newsletter
- Weeding Wednesdays
- ***Gardening in the Dry Interior of British Columbia***, published by FOG in 2006

THE FRIENDS OF THE GARDENS SOCIETY IS SUPPORTED BY MANY INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ONGOING SUCCESS OF THE GARDENS.

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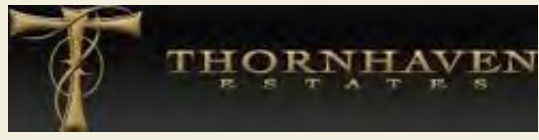


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