



MAY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday - May 16, 2012
7:30 p.m.
Pioneer Hall - Anglican Church (5th Ave.)

"Pruning in the Park"



Demonstrator - Charlie Warner

Charlie Warner will give us a pruning demonstration at the **Centennial Park** in Englehart. In order to take advantage of the daylight the program will be the first item on the meeting agenda. **Please meet at the Pioneer Hall for 7:30 p.m. and we will walk over to the park as a group.** (If the weather is not appropriate for a demonstration outside Charlie will conduct the program inside at the Pioneer Hall.) We will then return to the Pioneer Hall for our General Meeting and Social - please bring a finger food to share with the group - coffee, tea and cold drinks will be provided.

Hostess: Bonnie Warner

Gift: Sharon Black



Spring Plant & Bake Sale

Saturday - May 19, 2012
Royal Canadian Legion - Englehart
10:00 a.m. to sold out!



Decorated Spring Twig Baskets will be available for sale!



Please share your perennials, bedding plants, shrubs, potted plants and cuttings. Please "clean up" the plants and label them as to kind (include variety if you know it), size and colour. If you require a Society member to dig up your donations please call Eileen Fisher at 544-8074. The Hall will be open Friday - May 18, 2012 - from 12-4 to receive plants and baking and to set up the tables. **We need volunteers to help with everything so please give Eileen Fisher a call at 544-8074 to volunteer or just show up at the hall.** There will be a sale table for small items such as used (or new) garden books or magazines, baskets, pots, tools, etc. Also needed are bags and containers (pop flats and boxes) to carry out the plants



Members - the sale is in desperate need of "pricers". If you could give some time to label the donations please call Eileen Fisher or show up at the hall at noon on Friday - May 18, 2012.



YARD SALE

Saturday – May 26, 2012

39 First Street (at the home of Bonnie Warner)

8:00 a.m. - ???

Please come out and support this Society Fund Raiser. **If you have donations for the sale please contact Bonnie Warner – 544-8916 OR Eileen Fisher – 544-8074 for information regarding delivery of your sale items.** There will be something for everyone. Please encourage family, friends and neighbors to attend this event.



CIVIC PLANTING

– Carrie Anne Field and her committee are finalizing the plans for this year's civic planting. Please meet on Saturday, June 9, 2012, 9:00 a.m., at the Cenotaph in Englehart; you will be given an area to plant. Please provide your own gloves, trowel and bug spray!



HORTICULTURE WEEK

– June 9 – 16, 2012. Members are encouraged to do a horticultural activity during that week. Jean Bott and her committee will set up displays at the Englehart Public Library and Northern Variety – Englehart and the Old Country Store and Kim's Pizza in Charlton. If you have any writings or poems you would be willing to lend for these displays please contact Jean at 544-2972. Stay tuned to CJBB for garden "tidbits" and challenges!



SHOW SCHEDULE

– Rick Heaslip is hosting a meeting Wednesday, May 9, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at his home to update the Show Schedule for the upcoming Festival of Flowers – August 9-10, 2012. Any members wishing to help with this update are welcome – please call Rick at 544-2278 for more details.





MEMBERSHIP - To date we have 83 members for 2012. For many years the Englehart & District Horticultural Society had 100 members plus!!! **Let us try to make 2012 a 100 member year!!** Membership includes 11 bulletins delivered via Canada Post, exciting programs each month and fellowship with other gardeners. Gardening is a therapeutic past time which anyone can enjoy. Gardening can be anything from a patio pot to a large vegetable garden! A membership would make a wonderful gift for any occasion! **Please encourage former members to join.** To renew or to “gift” a membership send \$10.00 to Ginny Montminy, Bx 952, Englehart, ON P0J 1H0 (cheques should be made out to Englehart & District Horticultural Society).



District 12 Annual Meeting – April 28, 2012

The Englehart & District Horticultural Society is a member of the Ontario Horticultural Association and belongs to District 12 – an area including societies from Englehart north to Kapuskasing. Members of the Society attended the District 12 Annual Meeting in South Porcupine on Saturday, April 28, 2012. The District Executive was elected as follows: District Director – Kees Stryland – Timmins; 1st Assistant Director – Suzanne Stamper – Kirkland Lake; 2nd Assistant Director – Sandy Fey; Bursary Committee Chair – Bonnie Warner – Englehart; and Nominating Committee Chair – Jean Wallace – Englehart. Congratulations to the new District Executive.



In honour of Queen Elizabeth’s Diamond Jubilee the Ontario Horticultural Association gave each District a Bur Oak Tree. Congratulations to the Porcupine Horticultural Society which won the tree at a draw held during the meeting.



Ontario Horticultural Association Convention 2012
THEME – GARDENING THEN AND NOW
 August 17 - 19, 2012
 Niagara College - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario

The 2012 Ontario Horticultural Annual Convention is being held in Niagara-on-the-Lake – August 17 – 19, 2012. Check out the Ontario Horticultural Association website at <http://www.gardenontario.org> and select “Convention”. Convention details, registration forms, etc. are listed in this section.



Englehart & District Horticultural Society Website – be sure to check out the Society’s website at <http://www.engleharthort.weebly.com>.





PRUNING KNOW-HOW: Doing the right kind of pruning when a tree is young can make the difference between a healthy beautiful specimen in maturity and a misfit; Lee Reich, author of The Pruning Book recommends the following prudent approach to pruning:

- ★ For the quickest healing, prune just as growth is beginning;
- ★ Prune anything that's dead, diseased, broken or misplaced;
- ★ Prune to develop a good structure, Keep your eye out for well-placed branches because those are the ones to preserve;
- ★ Prune when a branch is small so the cut is small. Then leave the cut alone. If the cut is made correctly it will heal best if left untreated;
- ★ Ignore the old advice for pruning a just-planted tree by making a lot of little cuts. You may distort the tree's shape.

The Green Thumb - Yard and Garden

The above information was published in the Through the Garden Gate issue of May 2011. As our May 2012 Program will be Pruning in the Park it has been "republished" as a refresher.



We extend our condolences to the family of Society Member Jean Rodgers who passed away April 6, 2012. Jean was famous for her raspberry patch in Savard Township (and later in Robillard Township) and was always willing to share the raspberries as well as vegetables from her huge garden. She was an "original" recycler who found a use for many items that others would throw away. The last few years even though she was unable to attend many events donations of plants, cuttings, etc., were forwarded to the Society. She will be missed.

Horticulture Week

**It's Horticulture Week again
The gard'ners are abuzz,
Their brains are busy as the bees
No cobwebs there or fuzz;
There're plans for gardens large and small
Bright flowers, veggies, too,
Come summer Englehart will have
A colourful new view!**

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Best Wishes to Editor Jean – Hope you are feeling better soon!