



BATH GARDENING CLUB & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

March 17, 2025, Meeting

Time: 2:30 pm Venue: St. John's Hall, Church St., Bath, ON

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AGENDA

1. Welcome: Introduction of new Members and guests

2. Approval of the minutes postponed

3. Additions to the Agenda None

4. Garden Question/Sharing amongst Members

Recommendations for help with pruning shrubs,
Okay to uncover shrubs now,
Ticks are active and we need to be on alert.

Reports &/or Updates

5. Treasurer's Report: Joanne
Grant Application Update

At the February 25, 2025 meeting, Council approved the Bath Gardening Club and Horticultural Society's Community Grant Program/Event Stream application in the amount of \$4,948 and in-kind services of \$2,590.64. This money is earmarked for the Sunday Market in Bath; in-kind services cover the rental fee for the 2025 market season. The cheque for \$4,948 was received on March 12 th .

On March 3 rd we were advised by Rob Plumley, Community Development Coordinator for Lennox and Addington County that Council had approved our application to receive funding through the Naturally L&A Activation Program. The funding is for Sunday Market in Bath happening this market season. We will receive \$1,000, plus an additional \$250 for digital marketing support administered through Naturally L&A's social media channels.

On March 3 rd we were advised by Cody Allan, Environmental Coordinator for Lafarge Canada Inc. that \$3,000 had been earmarked for the Bath Gardening Club. This request encompasses funding for our village planting and winter décor. It will now proceed through the approval process, following which we will be notified.

6. Sunday Market: Linda

We will open the Sunday Market in Bath with 34 vendors.
Complete dates: May 11, June 8, July 6, Aug 3, Sept 7, Oct 5.
Volunteers needed to staff the BGC table beginning May 11th .
Market Hours 10 to 2



Ideally 2 volunteers in the morning, 2 in the afternoon
Need help for May 11th urgently
Joanna to email members with the available dates.

7. Fritz's Fertilizer: Diane

Members can now order online at bathgardeningclub.ca
Last date to order is April 27th.
Payment by e transfer, cash or cheque at pick up on May 3

8. Program: Janice

Trying to negotiate an earlier meeting start time. A work in progress.

Programming Schedule:

April: Kim Bonner and Carol Cartier on the Pollinator Garden
May: No formal program
June: Soil Health
July: Trip to The Bee Stop
August possibility: The Tea Stop

9. Pollinator Garden: Kim

As we know, pollinators are sadly in decline due to habitat loss, land fragmentation and pesticide use.

To give pollinators a helping hand, the Butterflyway Project was initiated by the David Suzuki foundation in 2017. It's a volunteer-led movement that is growing habitat for bees and butterflies in neighborhoods throughout Canada, one pollinator patch at a time. Since inception, 7,400 pollinator gardens have sprung to life.

The role of a Butterfly Ranger like me is to aim for 12 or more pollinator patches in our communities, at which point they are officially recognized as a Butterflyway.

Carol and I will be sharing more info about this initiative at the April meeting. We're looking forward to rewilding Bath with you!

10. Planting: Val

Volunteers will be planting 27 barrels and 14 iron planters on May 22. Will confirm details after Mother's Day,
All who have currently indicated their interest in planting will be contacted.
Anyone interested in participating who hasn't previously signed up contact Val or Elaine. A sign up sheet will be at next month's meeting
Flourish will be providing the watering service again this year

11. Community Events/ Requests: Sylvia

Communities in Bloom takes place on April 5 in Napanee and Bath Gardening Club will have a table. See our Website for details Call Sylvia if you would like to participate.

Earth Day - April 12 , 9am to 12 at Fast Freddie's. Call Pat Chown to sign up.



From Loyalist Township: Summer Program for Youth and Family on how to start/grow a garden.
Anyone interested in working with the Township on this should contact Sylvia for details.

New Business

Speaker: Gary and Dianne Westlake: Garden Art for Cheapskates

A totally engaging presentation.

For those who missed it go to <https://www.dianneandgarywestlake.com/>

Adjournment: 4:15 pm