

# East York Garden Club 2022 Yearbook





*Founded in 1926*

The East York Garden Club  
is an Incorporated Society with the  
Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)  
and is an affiliate of the  
Ontario Horticultural Association



Our mission is:

- to promote gardening in the community
- to encourage sharing of horticultural knowledge
- to beautify the community
- to conserve our natural resources

### **Monthly Meetings**

All are welcome to attend the meetings of the Club.  
Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month  
(except July, August & December)  
in the Stan Wadlow Clubhouse  
373 Cedarvale Avenue, East York, Ontario  
Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.

### **Membership Fees**

Single: \$20.00  
Family (two adults and children under 18): \$30.00  
The membership year runs from January to December.  
Fees are due by January.

**Visit us on the web at [www.eygc.ca](http://www.eygc.ca)**

**Contact us at [gardenclub@eygc.ca](mailto:gardenclub@eygc.ca)**

***This yearbook belongs to:***

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## President's Message

Thank you for being a member of the East York Garden Club, for continuing your commitment.

The pandemic has tried many of us, and it seems uncertain still when and how we will join together in person. Our Club has not met in-person now for two years for one of our monthly members' meetings, grabbing our name tags, pouring over the tables of magazines or baked goodies, picking up a new Club t-shirt or coffee mug, voting on a favourite photo or plant, and then settling in for a good lecture. Instead, we squint at each other on our laptops, at Zoom meetings or on the new (since the pandemic) Facebook page. Some of us have had the chance to see each other in the summer at outdoor events, like the pop-up garden tours, or plant sale, or doing garden work at the Legion.

But we will assemble again together. It is a testament of hope, perhaps learned from the seasons we spend in our gardens, that we know this too will pass. And while they pass, we also know change comes. We will have new with the old.



We will see what the year brings, and I am glad that we will do it together.

Stay in touch, all.

Grow on!

*Diane Dyson*



# EYGC Meetings & Events 2022

January 20	ALLOTMENT GARDENS Claudia & Duncan Wood
February 17	ZOO SHARE Rob Grand
March 17	RAVINES OF TORONTO Ellen Schwartzel Toronto Field Naturalists
April 21	THE MEADOWAY Chris Cormack Toronto and Region Conservation Authority
May 19	JUMPING WORMS: THE SECOND WAVE OF NON-NATIVE EARTHWORM INVASION IN CANADA Michael McTavish
June 16	GARDENS OF REGRET Helen Battersby
August 20 (Saturday)	ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW (TENTATIVE)
September 15	LESSER-KNOWN ENGLISH GARDENS Joanna Blanchard
October 20	EASY GARDENING: LOW MAINTENANCE, HIGH STYLE Pat DeValence
November 17	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. and are held on the third Thursday of the month.

Due to the COVID-19 situation, in-person meetings have been put on hold for the foreseeable future. However, our members will still be able to hear and see our speakers in "virtual meetings", via Zoom. Details regarding connecting are provided to members prior to each meeting.

During regular times, our meetings are held at the Stan Wadlow Clubhouse, 373 Cedarvale Avenue, near Woodbine & Cosburn Avenues.

# EYGC Executive Board 2022

President	Diane Dyson	H: 416-469-5593 C: 416-786-6765
Past-President	Barbara Fairbanks	H: 416-755-0278 C: 416-897-5949
Vice-President	Rosalind Regnier	416-759-6247
Treasurer	Rosemary Vandierendonck	416-423-5736
Secretary	Susan Bartlett	416-467-4945
Directors 2021 & 2022	Cristina Brown Jacqueline Tanner Lynda Tanner Karen MacDougall <i>(one position vacant)</i>	416-755-9077 647-214-3337 416-465-7449
Directors 2022 & 2023	Beth Binnington Kim Hewitt Paul Sarjeant Heather Whetstone <i>(one position vacant)</i>	416-429-8669 416-930-1731 416-467-4827
Associate Director	Joyce Crook	416-421-6440
Financial Reviewers	Gordon Piercey Sonia Van Heerden	416-755-0278 416-461-2104

*Diane Dyson, Jacqueline Tanner, Alan Barber, Rosalind Regnier at the Royal Canadian Legion garden at Pape & Woodville*



# EYGC Committee Leaders & Coordinators 2022

Every member is welcome and encouraged to participate on our committees. Participating in the Club's activities is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow members.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Diane Dyson or the committee leader.

Annual General Meeting	Kim Hewitt
Archives	Malcolm Geast
Bus Tour & Prizes	Rosalind Regnier
Community Projects	Jacqueline Tanner
Facebook Page	Kim Hewitt & Anita Millar
Fellowship Cards	Joyce Crook
Membership	Cristina Brown
Newsletter	Jennifer Smith & Maureen Ballentine
Photography Contest	Linda Boyko & Rick Plume
Pop-Up Garden Tours	Beth Binnington & Diane Dyson
Programming/Speakers	Lynda Tanner
Flower Shows	Heather Whetstone
Telephone Tree & Newsletter Delivery	Sue Wells
Website	Malcolm Geast
Yearbook	Malcolm Geast (Layout) Jennifer Smith (Proofreader)
Zoom at Meetings	Diane Dyson

We would like to recognize the many volunteers who have led these efforts over years. Volunteers are what keep the East York Garden Club operating. So we always welcome help and any support.

Upcoming positions include support for the monthly Photography Contest, the Newsletter, and to do Programming/Speakers.

When we are able to return to in-person meetings, we will also need help with the following positions: Refreshment coordinator, Greeters, Flower Shows coordinator, Prize and Logo tables, Canada Day coordinator & many other volunteer positions.

## 2020 & 2021 Years in Review

The limbo imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic has blurred time together for many things. This is true too at the East York Garden Club. Yet, while we shifted gears early in 2020, much has continued, although sometimes in a new format.

**January 2020** – We hosted a regular members' meeting at Stan Wadlow with Professor Lynn Short as the guest speaker. She spoke about her work using manual control techniques for the control of invasive phragmites. A new Board stood up – literally against a brick wall – ready for a good new year. Outgoing President Barb Fairbanks was warmly celebrated. Plans for the year were unfolding. The theme for the 2020 Flower shows was Vision, something which allowed many great puns and fun. The bus trip was set to head to Niagara.



The new board for 2020: Roz Regnier, Susan Bartlett, Jacqueline Tanner, Nola McConnan, Cristina Brown, Diane Dyson (President), Joyce Crook, Michael Woods, Paul Sarjeant, Lynda Tanner, Barb Foster, Kim Hewitt, Anita Millar, Rosemary Vandierendonck, Barb Fairbanks.

**February 2020** – We did not know this would be our last in-person meeting for years. The Heritage Horticulturalist for the City of Toronto, Wendy Woodsworth, took us on a lovely tour of the historic gardens at Spadina House (pronounced spa-dee-na). Many members enjoyed a Seedy Saturday at the Toronto Botanical Garden.

**March 2020** – Mid-month the pandemic hit. We all stayed home. The Paul Zammit lecture was postponed. Enough said.

**April 2020** – The District 5 Ontario Horticultural Society annual general meeting, Who Speaks for the Trees?, had to be cancelled. Over 30 EYGC members were planning the day trip to the Keswick hockey arena, to sit in their brightest clothes in tribute to the Lorax. The East York Garden newsletter and



regular emails were the ways many of us connected about Club business. The EYGC Executive looked for other ways to stay connected to members, with news that in-person events were on hold until at least June 30th. A Facebook page was created, thanks to younger members of the Board. Kim Hewitt and Anita Millar and fifty Club members joined right away. Virtual garden tours seemed possible, and members posted pictures from their yards.



**May 2020** – Michael Woods, beloved board member and Newsletter Editor for three years, passed away suddenly. It was a dreadful loss.

Our first online Members' meeting was held. Although we were all new to the technology, Master Gardener Anna Leggatt volunteered to plunge in. Most of us were still looking for the Unmute buttons!

The Photo Team reinvented themselves. Rick Plume, Anita Millar, and Linda Boyko collected and shared members' photo submissions, then collected and counted votes to announce a monthly group of winners.

**June 2020** – The Club's Annual Flower Show and Tea, the East York Canada Day Parade, and the provincial OHA conference were cancelled. But the bravery of Master Gardeners prevailed and member Veronica Callinan presented on Monarch Butterflies. Fifty members were signing on for these remote lessons each time. Other Club members, including Maureen Ballentine and Jennifer Smith, stepped forward as a team to publish the Club newsletter. Members contributed stories to the newsletter about their backyards and porch plantings. We saw pictures of bees, raspberries, Dahlias, eggplants, and some sick trees shared unabashedly. We all learned to look closely to the places we live.

**July 2020** – While the monthly photo contest continued, there was not a safe way to host the annual photography contest. We hosted another online members' meeting with EYGC member and Master Gardener Veronica Callinan stepping up again to help on vegetables and set up an East York Garden Club YouTube channel.

**August 2020** – EYGC hosted a socially-distanced, masked, pop-up garden tour, cautiously and by appointment. Organized by member Paula Davies, member Mark Robertson shared his front garden, as designed by EYGC member Steve Smith. Everyone who came was delighted to see each other.

**September 2020** – Online monthly members' meetings were now becoming the norm. And so were Pop-Up garden tours. Both Alan Barber and Mary Lou Burt opened their gardens to members, and then members Beth Binnington and Heather Whetstone gave members a peek at their backyard chickens. Masks and hand sanitizer were everywhere.



**October 2020** – Lifetime member and former EYGC president Lucie Simons celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. EYGC sent warm greetings to mark the occasion. Lucie is seen here cutting the cake at EYGC's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting in 2006. Gardening was becoming a hot topic with so many people taking precautions and staying close to their homes. So, the EYGC Executive decided to open the Club Facebook page to non-members as well, seeing it as another way to draw new members.

**November 2020** – The EYGC Annual General Meeting shifted gears. Instead of a group potluck, we rummaged in our fridges for a bit of dinner. The speaker, Dr. Mhairi McFarlane, was from the Nature Conservancy of Canada. For prizes, members participated in a modified scavenger hunt. A new piece of business was the unanimous vote by Club members to donate to the City's efforts to save one of the oldest trees in Toronto, a big red oak in the northwest part of the city, estimated to be at least 250 years old. Michael Woods was awarded the Society President's Award posthumously.



**December 2020** – We huddled in our bubbles.

**January 2021** – Still hunkered down, virtual members' meetings continued. EYGC stalwart and Master Gardener Anna Leggatt led members on a virtual tour through the deserts of Namibia and its flora and fauna. The Photo Team laid out themes for the coming year, promising a judged show in November if we were to return to in-person club activities.

**February 2021** – Arborist and local east-ender Todd Irvine offered members an insight into how to help trees thrive naturally (most are very shallow-rooted!). We never knew the biology of soil composition could be so riveting. The Ontario Horticultural Association hosted a Valentine's artwork contest as a way to engage members.

**March 2021** – Members shared good book reads in the newsletter alongside multiple other stories and poems. The newsletter team outdid



Artist's rendering of the modular building – Looking south on Trenton Avenue. Final design subject to approval.

themselves. The City of Toronto announced that affordable modular housing will be built in the parking lot across the street from the Stan Wadlow Clubhouse. We began hunting for potential solutions, including carpooling, additional parking sites, or a new place for meetings. No need for an immediate solution though

as the pandemic continues and in-person meetings are still verboten. But many members reported having been vaccinated!

**April 2021** – EYGC Treasurer Rosemary Vandierendonck and Membership Coordinator Cristina Brown introduced a system which allows members to renew their memberships online (something never needed before!). Members were offered a choice of seed packets as a Premium bonus for membership renewals. District 5 hosted its 2021 Annual General Meeting online. The most avid members were already sprouting seeds indoors; however the growing popularity of gardening meant shortages were popping up at gardening centres everywhere. Members traded tips on where there was still stock available. The speaker at our monthly Members' meeting was Michael Erdman on the topic of Summer bulbs. Bravely, he invited members to tour his garden in the Beach(es?) if they were in the neighbourhood.

**May 2021** – EYGC members enjoyed a pop-up garden tour at Alan Barber's, with a new safety system which didn't require appointments to be made. Organizers at the East York Canada Day Parade announced a number of COVID-safe activities as a way to mark the community event. The May lecture was presented by citizen scientist Betty McCulloch on the Monarch Butterflies she tags at Rosetta McClain Gardens. A few other member enthusiasts described how they raised and released the creatures.

**June 2021** – Jeff McMann, a now-retired arborist at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, wowed us with his decades of experience tending over 600 species of trees across its 200+ acres. The annual Bus Tour had to be cancelled yet again.

**July 2021** – The first reports of jumping worms, an invasive and destructive species, was noted. Unrelated to this, EYGC member Jennifer Smith hosted a pop-up garden tour. Members were becoming practiced at how to safely visit one another outdoors and distanced.

**August 2021** – The East York Garden Club Facebook page continued to grow, hitting 100 members. The Annual Tea and Flower Show had to be cancelled.

**September 2021** – After a long break, we organized a Plant Sale, all well-attended. Over eighty people attended the weekend event, outdoing the 2019 sale – people were excited to be out and together talking plants. The monthly members' lecture focused on the Oak Ridges Moraine, its biodiversity and preservation.

**October 2021** – EYGC Executive members polled members on what virtual and distanced events they wanted to see more of. Postponed a year because of the pandemic, and now a year older, 16-year-old gardener and author Emma Biggs led members on a virtual tour through her back yard gardens where she normally grows over 80 varieties of tomatoes.



**November 2021** – Volunteers at the Pape Legion tucked its gardens away for the winter, having spent the season tending it every few weeks. EYGC held its 2021 Annual General Meeting online for the second year in a row. As a surprise delivery, and in support of the Year of the Garden in 2022, red tulip bulbs were delivered by EYGC volunteers to each member. With no flower shows in 2021, the only annual prizes that were awarded was for members who collected the most points in the monthly photo contests.

**December 2021** – A quiet season for gardeners and all.



# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## March - Spring is in the Air



**1<sup>st</sup> - Beth Bennington**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Carolyn Lee**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Anna Leggatt**



# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## April - April in the Garden



**1<sup>st</sup> - Anna Leggatt**

**2<sup>nd</sup> - Michael Woods**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Beth Binnington**

# **2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries**

## **May - Flowering Trees & Shrubs**



**1<sup>st</sup> - Wendy Plume**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Michael Woods**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Mary Furlong**

# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## June - Bugs! Fluttering, Creeping Garden Creatures



**1<sup>st</sup> - Dianne Cavanaugh**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Veronica Callinan**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Karl Auer**



# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## August - Summer in the City



**1<sup>st</sup> - Michelle Barraclough**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Caroline Smoyer**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**

# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## September - Stormy Weather



**1<sup>st</sup> - Wendy Plume**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Anna Leggatt**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wilfred Haufe**

**3<sup>rd</sup> - Jens Carl**





# 2020 Photography Contest Winning Entries

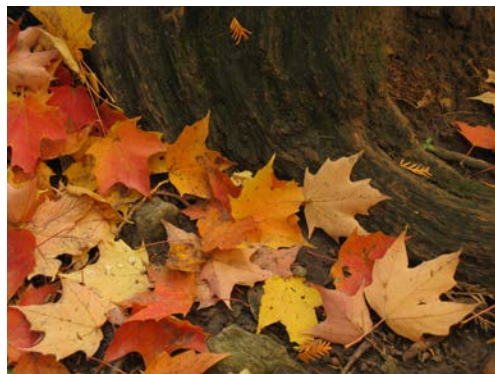
## October - Fall Colours



**1<sup>st</sup> - Anna Leggatt**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Barbara Foster**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**



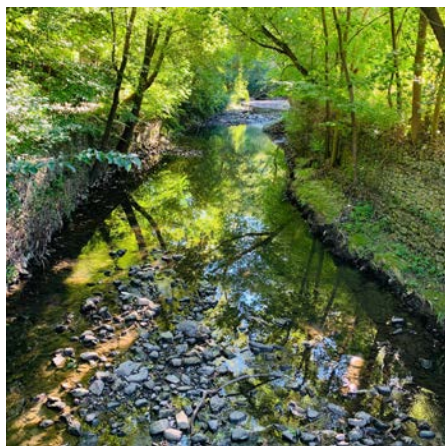
**3<sup>rd</sup> - Nola McConnan**

# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

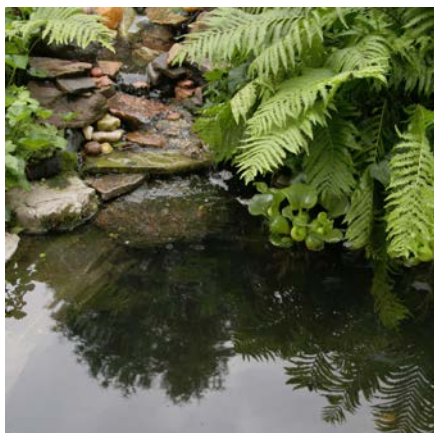
## January - Tranquility



**1<sup>st</sup> - Nina Sparks**



**1<sup>st</sup> - Caroline Smoyer**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Nola McConnan**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Wendy Plume**

# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## February - Love



**1<sup>st</sup> - Daisy Auer**

**2<sup>nd</sup> - Dianne Cavanaugh**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Nola McConnan**



# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## March - Windy



**1<sup>st</sup> - Beth Binnington**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Daisy Auer**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Dianne Cavanaugh**

# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## April - First Blooms



**1<sup>st</sup> - Jens Carl**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Wilfred Haufe**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**



# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## May - Rebirth



1<sup>st</sup> - Wendy Plume



2<sup>nd</sup> - Kathi Davies



3<sup>rd</sup> - Michelle Barraclough

**2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries**  
**June - The Colours of June**



**1<sup>st</sup>- Karen Bell**



**1<sup>st</sup> - Wendy Plume**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Joan Spears**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Suzanne Isaacs**

# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## July - My Canada



**1<sup>st</sup> - Vera Stoyanoff**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Nola McConnan**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**



# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## August - Summer Garden



**1<sup>st</sup> - Beth Binnington**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Caroline Smoyer**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Wendy Plume**

# **2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries**

## **September - September Skies**



**1<sup>st</sup> - Pat Mosdell**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Anna Leggatt**



# 2021 Photography Contest Winning Entries

## October - Harvest



**1<sup>st</sup> - Vera Stoyanoff**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Caroline Smoyer**



**2<sup>nd</sup> - Wendy Plume**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Dianne Cavanaugh**



**3<sup>rd</sup> - Suzanne Isaacs**

# 2020 EYGC Financial Statement

## East York Garden Club

### Reviewed 2019-2020 Annual Financial Statement

For the Period Ending:

2020-09-30

INCOME			Cash on Hand
Balance Forward =	YTD	\$	6,564.81
Membership	\$ 3,300.00		
Bus Trips	\$ -		
Legislative Grant	\$ 1,500.00		
Sales	\$ 378.00		
Flower Show and Tea	\$ -		
Other- Donations, etc.	\$ 464.00		
Social	\$ 138.60		
EYGC Promotional Product Sales	\$ 90.00		
Workshops	\$ -		
OHA / District 5 Awards or Refunds	\$ -		
Total Revenues	\$ 5,870.60	\$	5,870.60

## EXPENSES

Bus Trips	\$ -		
Speakers	\$ 725.00		
Yearbook & Newsletters	\$ 1,296.52		
Premises Rental	\$ 346.00		
OHA and District 5 Conventions	\$ -		
Judges	\$ -		
Flower Show Cash Awards	\$ -		
Advertising and Promo	\$ 140.00		
Fellowship	\$ 140.15		
Community	\$ -		
Prizes	\$ 49.67		
Stationary, Printing and Postage	\$ 221.51		
AGM Expenses	\$ 255.80		
Fees, Insurance and Bonding	\$ 1,977.28		
Annual Flower Show and Tea	\$ -		
Photo Contests	\$ 11.63		
Honorarium/ Gifts	\$ -		
Zoom	\$ 130.40		
OHA and District 5 Expenses and Clearing Ac	\$ -		
Other- Miscellaneous	\$ 12.15		
Total Expenses	\$ 5,306.11	\$	5,306.11

Total Net Income	##	\$ 564.49	\$ 564.49
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Total Cash Balance for Group	\$ 7,129.30
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Balance by Summary by Month	\$ 7,129.30
Total Cash available	\$ 7,999.74
Difference	\$ (870.44)

Less Accounts Payable	\$ 870.44
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Working Capital	\$ 7,129.30
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Reviewed

Gord Piercey

Sonia VanHeerden

Nov 15/20

Nov 16/20

# 2021 EYGC Financial Statement

## East York Garden Club Reviewed 2020-2021 Annual Financial Statement

For the Period Ending:

2021-09-30

### INCOME

		YTD	Cash on Hand
Balance Forward =			\$ 7,129.30
Membership	\$	2,570.00	
Bus Trips	\$	-	
Legislative Grant	\$	2,640.00	
Sales	\$	652.00	
Flower Show and Tea	\$	-	
Other- Donations, Service Fee, etc.	\$	127.00	
Social	\$	-	
EYGC Promotional Product Sales	\$	-	
Workshops	\$	-	
OHA / District 5 Awards or Refunds	\$	-	
Total Revenues	\$	5,989.00	\$ 5,989.00

### EXPENSES

Bus Trips	\$	-	
Speakers	\$	1,550.00	
Yearbook & Newsletters	\$	343.54	
Premises Rental	\$	-	
OHA and District 5 Conventions	\$	-	
Judges	\$	-	
Flower Show Cash Awards	\$	-	
Advertising and Promo	\$	-	
Fellowship	\$	16.95	
Community	\$	250.00	
Prizes	\$	-	
Stationary, Printing and Postage	\$	153.45	
AGM Expenses	\$	-	
Fees, Insurance and Bonding	\$	666.78	
Annual Flower Show and Tea	\$	-	
Photo Contests	\$	85.00	
Honorarium/ Gifts	\$	10.00	
Zoom	\$	271.20	
OHA and District 5 Expenses and Clearing Account	\$	-	
Other- Miscellaneous	\$	-	
Total Expenses	\$	3,346.92	\$ 3,346.92

Total Net Income	\$	-	\$	2,642.08	\$	2,642.08
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Total Cash Balance for Group	\$	9,771.38
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Balance by Summary by Month	\$	9,771.38
Total Cash available	\$	9,771.38
Difference	\$	-
Less Accounts Payable	\$	-
Working Capital	\$	9,771.38

Reviewed

Gord Piercey

Sonia VanHeerden

NOV 10/21

Nov. 4, 2021

# Ontario Horticultural Association - GardenOntario

The Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA) is an umbrella organization comprised of over 275 horticultural societies and garden clubs across Ontario. During the past few years, the organization has rebranded itself so that it now presents itself as GardenOntario.

The East York Garden Club is a member of District 5, one of 19 Districts in the OHA. Within our District, which extends from Lake Ontario to Lake Simcoe, are 14 societies and clubs representing almost 2,000 gardeners in the eastern halves of Toronto and York Region. Membership fees paid to the OHA bring many benefits, such as annual insurance and bonding coverage, special project funding, advice and direction, publicity, and communication with other like-minded organizations.

Similar to the garden clubs and horticultural societies that it consists of, District 5 has an Executive Committee comprised of representatives drawn from its members. Following are the members of that committee, and their home societies:

*District Director: Cindy Scythes, Garden Aurora*

*Past District Director: Nancy Serrick, Lake Simcoe Gardeners*

*Assistant Director: Valerie Liney, East Gwillimbury Gardeners*

*Assistant Director: Donna Lewis, Garden Aurora*

*Treasurer: Ellen Powers, East Gwillimbury Gardeners*

*Past District Director Emeritus: Malcolm Geast, East York*

Information about the OHA can be found on its website, [www.gardenontario.org](http://www.gardenontario.org)

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation, the District 5 Annual General Meeting was cancelled in 2020. In-person meetings continued to be prohibited in 2021, but the District was able to hold a successful AGM remotely, via Zoom, and hosted by the East Gwillimbury Gardeners.



# OHA District 5 Societies & Clubs

## OHA DISTRICT 5

[www.gardenontario.org/district-listing/entry/282/](http://www.gardenontario.org/district-listing/entry/282/)

## AGINCOURT GARDEN CLUB:

[www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/760/](http://www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/760/)

## GARDEN AURORA

[www.gardenaurora.ca/](http://www.gardenaurora.ca/)

## EAST GWILLIMBURY GARDENERS

[www.eastgwillimburygardeners.com](http://www.eastgwillimburygardeners.com)

## EAST YORK GARDEN CLUB

[www.eygc.ca](http://www.eygc.ca)

## GREATER TORONTO BULB & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

[gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/2382/](http://gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/2382/)

## GREATER TORONTO WATER GARDEN & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

[www.onwatergarden.com](http://www.onwatergarden.com)

## LAKE SIMCOE GARDENERS

[www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/628/](http://www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/628/)

## LEASIDE GARDEN SOCIETY

[www.leasidegardensociety.org](http://www.leasidegardensociety.org)

## MARKHAM GARDEN & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

<https://www.markhamgardenclub.ca/>

## NEWMARKET GARDEN CLUB

[www.newmarketgardenclub.ca](http://www.newmarketgardenclub.ca)

## NORTH YORK GARDEN CLUB

[www.northyorkgardenclub.ca](http://www.northyorkgardenclub.ca)

## RIVERDALE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

[www.riverdalehorticultural.ca](http://www.riverdalehorticultural.ca)

## SCARBOROUGH GARDEN & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

[www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/552/](http://www.gardenontario.org/society-listing/entry/552/)

## STOUFFVILLE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

[www.stouffvillehorticulturalsociety.org](http://www.stouffvillehorticulturalsociety.org)



# EYGC By-Laws

1. The name of the organization shall be “The East York Garden Club”.
2. The goals of the Club shall be:
  - a. to promote gardening in the community
  - b. to encourage sharing of horticultural knowledge
  - c. to beautify the community
  - d. to conserve our natural resources
3. Membership and Finances
  - a. Membership is open at anytime to any person paying the annual membership fee. In accordance with provincial regulations, no person under the age of eighteen years is eligible to vote at Club meetings.
  - b. Annual membership fees are twenty dollars (\$20) for a single and thirty dollars (\$30) for a family. Family membership shall consist of one (1) or two (2) adults and any related children under eighteen (18) years of age.
  - c. Membership renewals are due by the January general meeting. Anyone becoming a first-time member between October and December shall be a paid-up member for the following year.
  - d. The fiscal year of the club is October 1 to September 30.
4. Executive Board
  - a. The Club shall be administered by an Executive Board. Executive Board members must be Club members in good standing.
  - b. The voting members of the Executive Board shall be a President (in tie-breaking situations only), two Vice-Presidents, and ten (10) directors.
  - c. The immediate past-president of the Club shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Board.
  - d. A Treasurer and a Secretary shall be appointed by the Executive Board and shall be considered to be non-voting members of the board.
  - e. The President and the two Vice-Presidents shall each be elected for a term of two (2) years. Elections shall take place at the Club's Annual General Meeting and shall take effect at the commencement of the first meeting of the Executive Board following the Annual General Meeting. The maximum number of consecutive terms for each President or Vice-President is two (2).
  - f. The term of office for each of the directors shall be two (2) years. Five (5) directors shall be elected at the Club's Annual General Meeting and shall take office at the commencement of the first meeting of the Executive Board following the Annual General Meeting.
  - g. Any two of the President, Treasurer, Vice-President and another Executive Board member appointed by the Executive Board shall sign cheques, drafts, or orders for the payment of money.

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- h. Duties of the President are to: preside at all meetings of the Club; conduct the affairs of the Club; be a signing officer with the Treasurer, Vice-President, and another Executive Board member; have general supervision over all directors and committees; see that the by-laws, rules of order and provincial acts and regulations are dutifully adhered to. The President shall vote only to act as a tie-breaker.
  - i. Duties of the Vice-Presidents are to: assist the President in conducting the affairs of the Club; attend OHA District and Provincial meetings; assume all powers of the President in the absence or disability of the President.
  - j. Duties of the directors are to meet when called upon to transact the business of the Club in a properly conducted manner. Directors are also expected to serve on one or more committees of the Club or to be an activity co-ordinator.
  - k. Duties of the Treasurer are to: maintain accurate financial records; receive all monies; give receipts for the same; deposit monies in the name of the Club in a chartered bank approved by the executive; pay all accounts by cheque signed by any two signing officers consisting of the Treasurer, the President, the Vice-President or another Executive Board member; report all financial standings of the Club at the meetings; prepare a financial statement at the end of the fiscal year for the auditors and government departments.
  - l. Duties of the Secretary are to take and deliver the minutes of the regular and executive meetings and assume other administrative duties as assigned.
  - m. With the approval of the Executive Board, the President or one of the Vice-Presidents or the Treasurer or the Secretary may sign contracts, documents or any instructions in writing requiring the signature of the Club.
  - n. In the absence of a reason deemed to be acceptable by the Executive Board, any voting member absent for more than two (2) consecutive meetings of the Executive Board shall be considered to have resigned.
  - o. A member of the Executive Board may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote at a meeting of the Executive Board. The member shall be given at least seven (7) days notice of such a vote. Notice shall be given by one or more representatives of the Executive Board upon a motion of the Board.
  - p. Vacant positions on the Executive Board may be filled by action of the remaining members of the Executive Board.
  - q. Non-Executive Board members may attend Board meetings as guests and to make presentations. Requests to make a presentation to the meeting must be made to the President. At the discretion of the President, up to fourteen (14) days notice of such a presentation may be required.
5. Committees and Co-ordinators
- a. Standing committees of the Club shall be Flower Show and Community Projects.
  - b. Ad-hoc committees may be created as required by the Executive Board.

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- c. Membership on committees shall be open to all members of the Club. Each committee shall include at least one member of the Executive Board. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
  - d. For the purpose of finding and recruiting members to stand for election to the Executive Board at the Annual General Meeting, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee on or before July 1. Voting members of the Executive Board are not eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee.
  - e. Activity co-ordinators shall be appointed by the Executive Board to manage membership, programs, meeting reminders, publicity, newsletters, the yearbook and other activities as required. Such co-ordinators need not be members of the Executive Board.
  - f. Committee membership and activity co-ordinators shall be decided at either the first or second meeting of the Executive Board following the Annual General Meeting.
  - g. Two auditors shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club. Members of the Executive Board are not eligible to be auditors.
  - h. Duties of the auditors are to audit the annual financial statement prepared by the Treasurer.
6. Meetings
- a. Excepting July, August and December, general meetings of the Club are to be held each month, on the third Thursday of the month. The Executive Board may decide to hold additional general meetings.
  - b. In exceptional circumstances, the Executive Board may choose to cancel a general meeting or to hold it on a day other than that specified in subsection (a).
  - c. The November meeting of the Club shall be the Annual General Meeting, during which the election of members of the Executive Board, presentation of the annual financial statement, reports of the year's activities, and presentation of awards shall take place. The quorum for such a meeting shall be the membership in attendance.
  - d. Meetings of the Executive Board are to be held a minimum of ten times throughout the calendar year.
  - e. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called at any time by the President, or, upon written request by four (4) board members, by the Secretary. Such meetings shall require seven (7) days notice or unanimous consent of the voting members.
  - f. At meetings of the Executive Board, fifty per cent (50%) of the voting members shall constitute a quorum.
7. These by-laws may be amended at a general meeting of the Club by a majority vote of all members present. The motion to amend shall be prepared by the Executive Board and presented to the membership at least sixty days prior to the meeting.

# Membership

Membership list not included in online version

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## In Memoriam



**LUCIE SIMONS (2021)**

**WINI STODDART (2021)**

**MICHAEL WOODS (2020)**



# Volunteer Hours

The volunteer hours information that EYGC members report is important to the Club, District 5 and the OHA. In particular it illustrates how valuable our Club is to the community. Your volunteer hours are added to those from all OHA societies across Ontario and are used by the OHA Board to negotiate with fundraising and government agencies.

Following are some “Guidelines for Volunteer Hours” and a chart to help you keep track of your hours for 2022, to be submitted to the activity lead or co-ordinator at year’s end.

- **Community Events** – Environment Day, Canada Blooms, CNE, etc.
- **Flower Shows, Garden Tours** – clerking, planning & preparation, hosting
- **Preparation, Planting, Maintenance** – working on garden projects around the community
- **Special Events** – planning and organizing workshops, seminars/courses, District 5 AGM
- **Yearbook, Newsletter, Website**
- **Executive and Board Members** – committee work, administrative activities
- **Board and Monthly Meetings** – attending Board meetings, planning and setting up regular meetings (not time spent during regular meetings)
- **Youth Activities** – time spent working with youth groups
- **Other** – breakdown of other activities not covered above (e.g. fundraising, publicity, public plant sales)

Date	Activity	Time Volunteered

# East York Garden Club Presidents 1926-2022

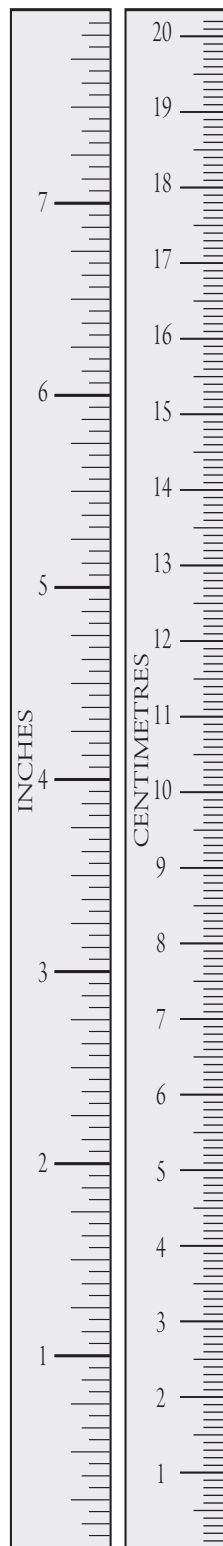
1926	Mr. H.D. (Harry) Martin
1927	Mr. J. (James) Fletcher
1928	Mr. H.W. Clear
1929	Mr. J.R. Thompson
1930	Mr. L. Oaks
1931, 1932, 1933	Mr. A. (Alfred) Drew
1934	Mr. A. G. (Alfred) Cootes
1935, 1936, 1937	Mr. James. G. Crowson
1938, 1939, 1940	Mr. H.W. Clear
1941, 1942, 1943	Mrs. W. (Ethel) Gottschalk
1944, 1945, 1946, 1947	Mr. C.R. Woodward
1948, 1949	Mr. H. (Harvey) Jannack
1950	Mr. L.P. Ruse
1951, 1952, 1953	Mr. A. (Bert) Parry
1954	Mr. W. A. (Wylie) Staples
1955	Mr. A. (Bert) Parry
1956, 1957	Mr. H.H. (Harvey) Worsnop
1958, 1959, 1960	Mr. M. (Murray) Hutchison
1961	Mr. J.W. (John) Gray
1962, 1963, 1964, 1965	Mr. M. (Murray) Hutchison
1966, 1967, 1968	Mrs. D.H. (Florence) Brough
1969, 1970, 1971	Mrs. L. (Luella) Harris
1972, 1973	Mr. H. (Hugh) Ritchie
1974, 1975	Mrs. L. (Minnie) Price
1976, 1977	Miss M. (Marvene) Cox
1978, 1979	Mrs. M. (Sadie E.) Hutchison
1980, 1981, 1982	Mrs. Florence E. Thain
1983, 1984	Mrs. Florence Keefe
1985, 1986, 1987, 1988	Mrs. Mary Allison
1989, 1990	Stan Adams
1991	Phyllis Shepherd
1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996	Eileen Craig
1997, 1998	Lucie Simons
1999, 2000	Barb Foster
2001, 2002, 2003	Betty Goldring
2004, 2005, 2006, 2007	Malcolm Geast
2008, 2009, 2010, 2011	Veronica Callinan
2012, 2013, 2014, 2015	Susan Bartlett
2016, 2017, 2018, 2019	Barbara Fairbanks
2020, 2021, 2022	Diane Dyson

# EYGC Meetings & Events 2022

January 20	ALLOTMENT GARDENS Claudia & Duncan Wood
February 17	ZOO SHARE Rob Grand
March 17	RAVINES OF TORONTO Ellen Schwartzel Toronto Field Naturalists
April 21	THE MEADOWAY Chris Cormack Toronto and Region Conservation Authority
May 19	JUMPING WORMS: THE SECOND WAVE OF NON-NATIVE EARTHWORM INVASION IN CANADA Michael McTavish
June 16	GARDENS OF REGRET Helen Battersby
August 20 (Saturday)	ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW (TENTATIVE)
September 15	LESSER-KNOWN ENGLISH GARDENS Joanna Blanchard
October 20	EASY GARDENING: LOW MAINTENANCE, HIGH STYLE Pat DeValence
November	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Details To Be Announced

Our meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 situation, in-person meetings have been put on hold for the foreseeable future. However, our members will still be able to hear and see our speakers in "virtual meetings", via Zoom. Details regarding connecting are provided to members prior to each meeting.



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 Statutory Holidays