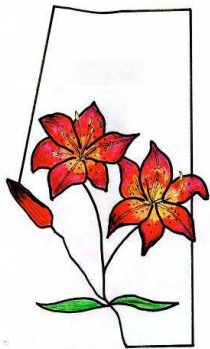


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HIGHLIGHTS

- NEWSLETTER EDITOR REQUIRED
- MARK YOUR CALENDAR
- Report your lily beetles
- Membership year end renewal date

Interim Editors Message

Please actively look for a Newsletter Editor for ARLS. They do not have to be a member, but it helps.
ACTING NEWSLETTER EDITOR Laurie Hepper

Memberships Expire Dec 31 renewal due Jan 31

Family \$15 per year

Single \$10 per calendar year

New memberships purchased after Sept 1 are valid for 16 months you can sit back until next year.

Welcome to our new members.

Memberships are due January. This will be your last newsletter on your current membership dues.

Speakers

Speakers are being contacted for the next two general meetings. If you have any suggestions on what you would like to have for a future workshop/ speaker/ presentation please contact Terry, Bill or Laurie, your speaker committee, with your suggestions so we may pursue them. Your suggestions allow us to know what our members want to know or learn.

Fall meeting

Our general meeting was shortened to 45 minutes and since quorum was not met, meaning less than 15 members were in attendance. It was kept to reports received.

Our fall speaker, Jane Reksten, cancelled too late to acquire a replacement so we made do with a longer lunch, We were able to talk and visit more. A slide show ran during the afternoon meetings and members were able to tour the museum if they did not want to attend the afternoon meeting.

The NALS committee met after lunch and the members not involved toured the museum which is available free to event attendees. What a bonus. Our Bulb sale was from 1- 2 pm and then members got to choose at 50% off the listed price. There were still many bulbs left over so some of the martagons have gone to be potted to attend the Bonnyville sale and martagon show next year in hopes of going to new homes. We ended the day with the awards. The RHS seeds were available at the end of the day for anyone who wanted them and the feedback was great as the selection was to get seeds of varieties that were not readily available here. Since most seeds were from Europe, it was also from stock that may not be available here. If people have success with these seeds it is hoped that sharing some of the resulting plants may be part of an ARLS event in the future.

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MORE SHOW NEWS

The Show awards were presented to the participants of the SAGM.



(both photos by Cecilia Bertram)

The Martagon Show Chair, Lorne Kaban, presenting to Terry & Shauna Willoughby for the best of show.

Annual Show Design Chair , Cecilia Bertram, Presenting Dianne Skimming with the Novice Design Award

Presidents Message

I went back to working full time in June so would have to say the garden is feeling some neglect. The long fall made up for that by allowing me to get a good cleanup, & seed harvest. I got some bulbs planted and then went and bought more so they will have to wait until next year now. Laurie
AS your president; Currently I cover for and need these positions filled:
Interim Bulb Sale Chair- need someone with organizing skills
Interim Advertising Chair-
Interim Newsletter Editor



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NALS 2015 –International Lily Show Calgary

NALS 2015 show committee: We still have vacancies on the committee. Graphics, Catering liaison, Photo contest liaison are some positions needing to be filled. Many of the other positions would like to have help with their tasks.

To help plan the show or think about committing some time to volunteer during the 2015 convention contact Adam: martagon@shaw.ca or Dianne: dskimm@shaw.ca.

Consider taking out a NALS membership to help support our parent society. www.lilies.org

NALS 68th Annual International Lily Show & Symposium July 15-19 2015

Celebrating Alberta Lily Hybridizers

ALBERTA SCENE IN LILIES

Calgary, Alberta

<http://www.lilies.org/events>

<http://www.arms-lilies.org>

You don't have to be a NALS member to enter the horticultural or design sections so think about entering, perhaps you can send stems down with someone attending if you can't be there yourself.

Volunteers gladly welcomed.

NALS Calgary has a Facebook page **Like Us**, invite your friends to **Like Us**

www.facebook.com/pages/NALS-2015-Calgary/274990606015663

Hi everyone!

JULY 15-19, 2015, JOIN US AT THE SHERATON CAVALIER IN CALGARY FOR THE 2015 NORTH AMERICAN LILY SOCIETY LILY SHOW!

ARLS will be hosting the North American Lily Society's 2015 show in Calgary! People from anywhere in North America and possibly abroad will be coming to show some lilies and it is an excellent chance to see a wide variety of lilies, and many new ones, most of which we can grow ourselves.

The planning committee is very excited about it and we would like to share the excitement with you by asking you to get involved in the running of the show. There are many ways to lend a hand. Even three hours of your time can ensure that the show succeeds. No experience is necessary for most tasks and we will show you everything you need to know. Volunteering is also an excellent way to meet others as interested in lilies as you. **Come volunteer with us** and let's show them that Alberta has more than Stampede and K-Days – we have LILIES in zones 1-3 and they are as beautiful and well-shown as anywhere else!

More information will become available as the date draws closer. Most of the shifts will occur on the weekend, but some will be during the week. We appreciate all the help you are willing to share.

Set-up and take down are two important tasks needing a team of efficient hands.

To volunteer, please contact Dianne Skimming at dskimm@shaw.ca or by phone at 587-284-2284.

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Name tags

For those members who ordered name tags the order went in so you should be able to pick them up at the AGM.

Newsletter deadline Feb 15 for March 1 Bulblet

Get your information in to news@arls-lilies.org hopefully we will have an active Newsletter Editor by then and the newsletter will be back to looking wonderful.

RHS & RHS Lily Group news

Seeds Anyone willing to donate seeds to send to Europe for the RHS lily group or to NALS seed exchange please contact pres@arls-lilies.org We will gladly take your seeds and send them as we get to order more from RHS if we donate and get first crack at the list as a donor to NALS. Who knows ARLS may get that special packet of seeds you are just aching to plant. Seeds received will be mailed at year end.

NALS news

Did you get your NALS yearbook? It has some great information on growing lilies from seed. *I won't feel so bad when seeds do not germinate now*

LILY NEWS

Sunset Meadows has closed down.

This is the lily business who purchased all of the Asiatic lilies from Madeline Holloway & Sheila Holmes in 2002. If you have any of the Holloway asiatics you may have the only supply. Please let ARLS know if you have any of :

Alpine Gold, Aunt Rosie, Cawdor, Delightfully Pink, Emerald Lake, Erskine, First Light, Hidden Treasure- NALS seedex, Ivy Calder, Joan, Linda Gail, Monica Hales, Morning Silhouettes- NALS seedex, Mustachio unreg, Pink Brushmarks, Pot of Gold, Revena, Robert Erskine, Rose-Tipped Freckles, Sheila's Choice

<http://www.sunsetmeadowslilygarden.com/index.asp>

NALS 2014 MEDAL AWARDED

(article by Cecilia Bertram)

The NALS Regional Medal 2014 was presented at the ARLS SAGM in Calgary by Shauna Willoughby, our NALS Regional Representative, to a most deserving and dedicated member of the Alberta Regional Lily Society, Laurie Hepper. Congratulations Laurie.

Laurie has and continues to carry a heavy load of duties for our Society beyond the call of her position as President of ARLS, Secretary for the NALS 2015 Committee and serving on several of the committees for organizing the NALS 2015 Show, as well as carrying out the duties of the ARLS Committees without chairmen.

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In the absence of a Newsletter Editor she has been producing the Bulbulet, covering as Bulb Sales Chair, is Venue Coordinator, assists on the Speakers & Education Program Committee, plus she tries to get ARLS events covered in publications and performs many other duties.

She participates actively in the ARLS Shows and events, and helps to organize many of them.

Laurie, we are grateful for all the wonderful work you do for the Alberta Regional Lily Society and we sincerely thank you. Enjoy the medal and proudly wear it, you earned it and deserve it.

(Photo Cecilia Bertram)



Devonian Botanic Garden news

The Gardens have a volunteer organizer now that you **must** register with to be on the grounds, this allows them to track for liability. Volunteers will be scheduled in groups for beds so that supervision can be targeted to an area and their cataloguing can be accurate. Sherrie Benson our lily contact has notified us that they have almost finished cataloguing all the lilies. They still want the history on all the donated lilies in their collection. All new bulbs will be held in a holding garden for one year before being placed in the beds. Does anyone have info on any of the lily bulbs at the DBG? The garden wants to know the provenance of the bulbs so they can write it into their records. If you have donated or know about the bulbs and where they came from lang1@ualberta.ca will get you in touch with Sherrie so she can give your info to the curator.

Events at the garden: check out the website for all events.

Beetle Musings



(photo Laurie Hepper)

The RHS Lily group reports that the red menace has reached into Scotland & Northern Ireland and is established and spreading.

There are 4 species of parasitic wasp to kill the lily beetle in Europe, 2 have made it to the UK but have not managed to keep lilies sufficiently beetle free.

North America has 1 parasitic wasp now released in small colonies, mostly on the East coast. Alberta had it released in 4 locations this past year. The West Coast still seems to be beetle free. Apparently it does not like to fly in rainy weather. Just think how bad the UK gardens would be if it were less rainy.

RHS research has study results of 6 lilies vs beetle. I. Tiber, I. Brindisi, I. Eliganzer, I. Conca D'Or, I. Regale, I. Golden Joy.

The first 4 had higher beetle damage than the last 2.

I. Conca D'Or had the highest beetle damage; I. Regale had lowest damage.

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If anyone has anything to report on the lily beetle the lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org should be connected and working again. Report what works for you if you are battling it in your garden and it will get shared. Has anyone tried to put those yellow sticky strips under their lilies while picking? Did you get any beetles stuck to them?

Website/ Facebook / Twitter

Well we were going to lose our Photo gallery as it is old, but Lynnette managed to find an upgrade so we will have photos for a bit longer. Those of our members who have login access will remain with login (we hope). New login requests may not work for awhile. Lynnette will look into that to make sure the security is enabled.

If you have visited the Facebook page we now have an instagram account for pictures, follow <http://instagram.com/lilyygirl14> to see lily pictures. Not sure how uploading pictures works on that format.

Judges School

The South Saskatchewan Lily Society SSLS has 10 members who are wanting to attend the judges school. If any ARLS members would like to be included the judging school it would be beneficial to ARLS. Schedule available in January. More information can be obtained from Dolores Nelson. The Judging session will be in Saskatchewan.

Classifieds by members

Advertising Chair position is still vacant. If you have an interest in promoting our Society and events through media advertising please contact pres@arls-lilies.org. I would really appreciate the help I cannot cover for all these vacant positions and do a good job as President. A list of places and web sites that need to be contacted and the dates for contact are provided. This gets our meetings, sales & shows out to the general public so we can share our lilies & knowledge with others. For the most part, the position involves entering data in different web calendars.

Order Lilies-----Olds College Centennial lilies hybridized in Alberta by ARLS members.

For ordering information go to: <http://www.oldscollege.ca/onlinestore/#flowers> or to purchase, contact: Karen Viney 403-556-468

Bulb Sales

Sales are over for this year and thank you to all who have purchased or helped with the sale, whether it be with preparation or actual sales. It was great to have the help, and the opportunity to visit with lily fans is also a bonus. Fall sale draw winners were Margaret from St Albert, Linda from Fort Saskatchewan, Sharon from Leduc, & Claire from Edmonton. Our Greenland sale was a bit slow, but we all had time to visit and have lunch and shop. It made for a pleasant time out. Everyone that came said " I heard about it on the radio show" Have you heard the Greenland garden spot on the radio?

April 11 & 12 is the Calgary Hort. Spring Show

Dianne Skimming is Sales leader contact her if you would like to help with this fun event.

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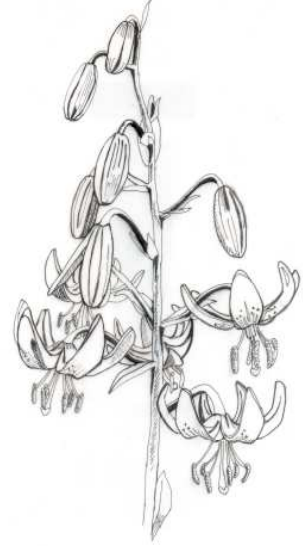
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Bonnyville is planned again.

Members receive a 10% discount on purchases.

The opportunity to volunteer helping with sales and preparation, entitles you to reserve bulbs in advance of the sales! Other sales may be organized check our media for updates

(illustration Laurie Hepper)



Mark your calendar Events 2015

Casino January 31 & Feb 1 2015

Edmonton Casino on Argyle.

Think about volunteering for this event as most of our projects, shows, and research is funded by this event. ARLS is dedicated to providing opportunities to educate the public on genus liliium and this is our major funding for this imitative.

It is our major fund raising event and your time raises about \$2000,00 for the society.

As this date fell on the scheduled Winter Mingle. The Mingle is now scheduled for Feb 8 at Crestwood hall.

Winter Mingle Feb 8 2015 Crestwood Hall 14325-96 Ave Edmonton 2- 5 pm This event gives members a chance to visit and show their garden pictures. Provide us with a CD or flash drive before the meeting and we will show it on the large screen. Bring a potluck item for the goodie table and hopefully you will like whatever speaker, demonstration or workshop we think up to get your grey cells thinking about the spring and unfrozen ground.

If we have enough items we can do a door prize draw or silent auction. Bring some seeds to share.

SHOWS 2015

ARLS 20TH ANNUAL MARTAGON SHOW July 4 & 5 2015

Devonian Gardens Hwy 60 Spruce Grove

Sat 1- 5 pm & Sun 10 am – 5 pm (Friday night entries accepted)

general garden admission applies to attendees

Stem entrants contact the Show chair for free admission details.

This year potted martagons will be looking for new homes.

ARLS 30TH/ NALS 68TH INTERNATIONAL LILY SHOW & SYMPOSIUM

Lily Show 17, 18 & 19 2015

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Board meetings

Feb 8 2015 10:00 am – 1:30 pm prior to Winter Mingle Crestwood Hall **NOTE NEW DATE**

Feb 8 2015 the NALS2015 Committee will meet and go over the comments from NALS.

April 18 10 am – 4 pm Crestwood Hall

May 24 10 am - noon IHotel, Red Deer – noon – 3 the NALS 2015 Committee meets

August 9 10 am Greenland Garden Tour noon at Cecilia's for Lunch & meeting

October 17 10 am – 4 pm Woodvale Hall *to be confirmed*

Nov 22 Conference call 1- 3 pm

General Membership Meeting Dates:

ARLS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SPRING 2015

April 18, 2015 Crestwood Hall, Edmonton 14325- 96 Ave (nearest bus on 142 street)

AGM Meeting 10:00 am, morning seminar 11 am, Afternoon: slide show 1 pm , Key Seminar 2 pm

non-members - \$5.00 to attend seminar, members - no charge

ARLS SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FALL 2015

October 17, 2015 Edmonton

Meeting 10:00 am, Awards 11:00 am , Lunch, Seminar 1:15 pm, Seminar 2:30 pm

non-members - \$5.00 to attend seminars, members - no charge

ARLS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SPRING 2016

April 16, 2016 Woodvale Hall, Edmonton (nearest bus on 50th Street)

AGM Meeting 10:00 am, Seminar#1 11 am, lunch, Seminar#2 2 pm

non-members - \$5.00 to attend seminars, members - no charge

MEMBER BENEFITS

Members receive discounts at the following businesses:

* **ALL SEASONS GARDEN CENTRE. 10027-81 Ave. Edmonton** 10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.

* **APACHE SEEDS LTD. 10136 149 ST., EDMONTON** 10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.

* **CANNOR NURSERIES LTD. TWP RD 514 WOODBEND RD, SPRUCE GROVE (west of Devonian Gardens)**

10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.

* **ELLERSLIE GIFT & GARDEN 10330 Ellerslie Rd SW, Edmonton** Membership card must be presented prior to purchase and discount may not apply to all products.

* **VALLEY K LILY RANCH AKA plantlilies.com** 15% discount on all bulb orders, excluding shipping. **Be sure to state you are an ARLS member and wish to receive the discount**, membership is verified with ARLS due to difficulty in showing member card via the internet, phone, etc.

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colour me up (drawing by Laurie Hepper)

ARLS Affiliates

Alberta Horticultural Association icangarden.com/clubs/aha

Calgary Horticultural Society calhort.org

Edmonton Horticultural Society edmontonhort.com

North American Lily Society lilies.org

RHS Lily Group www.rhslilygroup.org/

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Volunteers are always needed to help with or manage various projects - call a director today if you can help in any way!



(photo Brian Bergman)

Blushed Peach unreg. a Bergman seedling.
parentage (Aladdin's Dazzle X tetra)

This lily has appeared and won ribbons in our local shows. It is a Canadian lily and is really quite stunning in person. Brian would like to hear about his seedlings as this gives him information to base the viability of registering his seedlings. 1- 416- 614- 6394

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If you are in the area the exit is one south of McKnight exit turn East, hotel is on 32nd & Barlow Trail NW. The conference area is all on the main level so wheelchair accessible.



(photo courtesy of hotel website)