

# Fraser Valley Dahlia Society

## Newsletter

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New Website location : [www.fraservalleydahliasociety.com](http://www.fraservalleydahliasociety.com)

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Meetings: Held on the 4th Tuesday of the month February through October,

At 8 PM, Central Heights Church, 1661, McCallum Road. Abbotsford

Meeting: 8 PM , April28, 2009

Refreshments : Johanna van den Bosch,

Peggy Byland, and Renee van de Burgt

Program: Planting , Stopping, and lateral cutting

Question and Answer period.

Meeting : 8PM, May26, 2009.

Refreshments :Pat Glennie, Ann Wright and Arlyne Kuiper

Program: T. B. A.

Question and Answer period.

If your Membership dues are not paid, this will be your last newsletter.

### President's Message

In my last message, I said Spring is just around the corner. Well I went around the corner, and it wasn't there. Some say global warming is the cause. Others say it is just a weather cycle that comes to us every 15 years or so. If we don't see this kind of winter for another 15 years, will suit me just fine. I made a quick trip to Wal-Mart, to purchase some pots. Came home – turned up the heat on the back porch – put on a pair of shorts, T shirt, and flip flops – then started potting up

tubers- a good way to work with Mother Nature. I feel a lot better now. As for my tubers wrapped in plastic wrap, is a storage practice, that won't happen at my house again. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. If it's not broken, don't fix it. You choose. I now have time to start turning soil. This incorporates more oxygen, liberates good fungi and bacteria. This is also the time to add amendments, so the potted tubers will have a good home when transplanted.

Our tuber sale is fast approaching, and I am sure, like in the past, we will have plenty of help setting up for our annual sale. Other than our show, this is one of our most important events. Start saving your toonies and loonies for the varieties you wish to purchase and grow this year.

See you all at the next meeting and remember, don't let Mother Nature depress you, as there is always a way to work with her.

**Doug Youngson, President**

**Tuber Sale Tuber Sale Tuber Sale Tuber Sale Tuber Sale  
April, 18 9AM till.....We need help. Even if you are not selling  
tubers. Come and help with the sale. No experience required.**

It is time we get in to the garden remove weeds and if any boards or stones, look if any slugs and snail are hiding. Also if any Raspberries or grapevines check them for snails . Snail love the new shoots.

National Show special classes of section 59

**FLOWER OF THE YEAR**

**SNOHO DORIS**

**MOST SUCCESSFUL AMERICAN DAHLIA IN THE LAST 100 YEARS**

**EDNA C**

**MOST SUCCESSFUL FOREIGN DAHLIA IN THE LAST 100 YEARS**

**KIDD'S CLIMAX**

**LEROUX INTRODUCTION**

**KENORA WILDFIRE/KENORA WOW**

**AMBROSE INTRODUCTION**

**CAMANO SITKA/CAMANO PUFF**

**BONNEYWELL INTRODUCTION**

**SNOHO SONIA**

**WILSON INTRODUCTION**

**LAKEVIEW CURLEY/LAKEVIEW PEACHFUZZ**

**WILLIAMS INTRODUCTION**

**SKIPLEY SPOT/SKIPLEY SPOT OF GOLD**

**PARSHALL INTRODUCTION**

**CLEARVIEW IRENE/CLEARVIEW DAVID**

**SENIOR INTRODUCTION**

**SPARTACUS**

**MORRIS INTRODUCTION**

**BJ's GABE**

**GREENWAY INTRODUCTION**

**GREENDOR**

**LOOMIS INTRODUCTION**

**MEL's LOUISA/MEL's BARBARA ANN**

**ANY OTHER SNOHOMISH COUNTY MEMBER'S INTRODUCTION (excludes ALL Leroux, Ambrose, Bonneywell, Williams, Parshall, Wilson, Senior, Morris, Loomis and Greenway originations)**

**BEST SINGLE ENTRY "LITTLE BEES WINGS"**

**BEST DAHLIA 40 YEARS OR OLDER**

