THE ALBERTA REGIONAL LILY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER THE BULBLET VOLUME 37. NUMBER 3 AUTUMN 2022



# The Bulblet

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### President's Lily Pad

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Hello everyone!

Lily season is in full swing in my garden and I've been busy labeling, photographing and weeding. Luckily there are no red lily beetles here yet but I know most of you are fighting them! Stay vigilant!

The University of Alberta Botanic Gardens' Welcome Center was a beautiful venue for our Martagon and Annual Lily Shows. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all who participated!

I would also like to thank Marie Wenger for judging the Design Section of the Show. She judged fairly and provided thoughtful and encouraging feedback for the competitors. Hope to see you back next year!

I want to acknowledge the extra work and time Lorne Kaban put into making these shows happen. Not only did he coordinate with the UABG for the venue, he organized both shows. When illness and injuries caused a shortage of volunteers and judges for the Annual Lily Show, he stepped in and filled several positions, manning the show all weekend. A huge thank you for it all, Lorne! Let me not forget the others that were able to give of their time too. Thank you all.

Apologies to Bertha Lardner for the lack of clarity in the Design Show Schedule. We are combining efforts to ensure a better experience for everyone. Congratulations on your wins!

Next, we look forward to the fall bulb sales. The dates and location(s) will be posted on the website and Facebook so stay tuned.

Enjoy your late season lilies and the rest of the summer!

Dianne Skimming, President The Alberta Regional Lily Society

The best design and best lily of the 2022 annual show. Photos by D. Skimming









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Alberta Horticultural Association icangarden.com/clubs/aha

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/14571255402/

North American Lily Society lilies.org https://www.facebook.com/NorthAmericanLilySociety/

Royal Horticultural Society Lily Group www.rhslilygroup.org/

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2617608858556096

### **EVENTS 2022**

### **BULB SALES 2022 fall**

Contact Britta to volunteer for a bulb sale shift or packing party.

You get 10% off plus you get first pick of the bulbs. Book your time and reserve your bulbs.

The bulb sale list may not have all sale bulbs listed. It is a listing of what ARLS has ordered or been offered in time for publication. Some offerings are last minute or donations by members that managed to dig and divide. Others are additions that we managed to source. Overall, the sales give us a good selection and the very special one of a kind end up on the members only auction. This alone, if you are a connoisseur of lilies, gives you the option to compete for the prize bulb.

#### **Greenland Garden Centre**

23108-Hwy 16 Sherwood Park at Cloverbar road exit Saturday and Sunday Sept 24 9 am to 5 pm and Sept. 25 10 am to 5 pm

**Edmonton Horticultural Society** Evening Lions Center Centre Central Edmonton 11113-111 Ave September 26 Monday 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

#### Anything Grows in Cochrane

Saturday and Sunday Oct. 1 10:00-4:00. Oct. 2 10:00 to 4:00.

#### MEMBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS AT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES:

- \* <u>ALL SEASONS GARDEN CENTRE</u>. 10027-81 Ave. Edmonton 10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.
- \* <u>APACHE SEEDS LTD.</u> 10136 149 ST., <u>EDMONTON</u> 10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.
- \* LOCAL NURSERY owned by the BIG GREENHOUSE. 26515A Township Road 514 [WOODBEND RD], SPRUCE GROVE (west of Devonian Gardens) 10% discount. Membership card must be presented and discount may not apply to all products.







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Dr. leuan Evans Lilies Martagon & Asiatic lilies. Spruce Grove. Feel free to peruse my new website where they are featured in "Shop" at https://drieuanevans.com

Rundlewood Gardens Specialty Nursery & martagons 1643 Altadore Ave SW. Calgary (corner of 16th Street and 46th Ave SW) http://www.rundlewoodgardens.ab.ca/ info@rundlewoodgardens.ab.ca location shopping only- no mail order shipping. Stop by when in Calgary- check website for hours.

Lily Nook Nigel & Joyce Strohman; all things lily

Box 846 Neepawa Man. ROJ 1H0 http://www.lilynook.mb.ca 1 204 476 3225 info@lilynook.mb.ca

Skinner Nursery Hugh Skinner; martagons, species, asiatics

Box 220 Roblin Man. ROL 1PO 1-204-564-2236. ski hugh@mts.net

Jeffries Nurseries Ltd. P.O. Box 402, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, R1N 3B7

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SW-Gardens Sandra-Pat Willis; lilies from various divisions

22507 Kenesserie RD Thamesville ONT. NOP 2KO http://www.s-wgardens.com/ 1-519-692-5580 swgardens@yahoo.ca

LilyCrest Gardens Brian Bergman; Bergman seedlings, [OTs, asiatics, orientals & trumpets from active hybridizing] 51 Woodcrest Dr. Toronto ONT. M9A 4J3 Facebook.com/LilyCrestGardens 1-416-614-6394 bfberg@rogers.com

I'm on a mission to collect as many Canadian - hybridized lilies as possible with the intention of providing a safe haven and ultimately preventing the loss of these important lilies. I would like to put a call out to members of the ARLS to see if anyone has any of the more obscure varieties that aren't typically available commercially. I would pay for them of course. Leanne Dowd leannekiss.lk@gmail.com

Leanne is also working on a new edition of her Canadian hybridizer and lilies book. We are looking forward to seeing all the additional pictures that she has received from members and lily growers.

### **UNIVERSITY of ALBERTA BOTANIC GARDEN NEWS**

Check out the website <a href="http://botanicgarden.ualberta.ca/">http://botanicgarden.ualberta.ca/</a> Twitter https://twitter.com/UABotanicGarden;

Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/UABotanicGarden">https://www.facebook.com/UABotanicGarden</a>

MUTTART is open again go check out the gardens; in and out.

### **REQUESTING NOMINATIONS**

ARLS is now awarding the CATHY & ARNOLD SEMENIUK VOLUNTEER AWARD for an outstanding volunteer who goes above and beyond in supporting our Society in its endeavours and events.

Please forward your nominations with a supporting letter to <a href="mailto:arls@arls-lilies.org">arls@arls-lilies.org</a>





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35th Lily Show Committee 2022 Lorne, Suzanne, Dianne, Britta Lily beetle <u>lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org</u> (Laurie)

NOMINATIONS FOR THE NALS REGIONAL MEDAL are being solicited please submit to Shauna Willoughby.

<u>VOLUNTEERING WITH ARLS</u> we now have a procedure to follow and track volunteer hours. When a volunteer reaches the required hours, they are eligible for a lily bulb. Please make sure you confirm your hours volunteered with your volunteer coordinator.



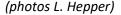
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### **LILY BEETLE**



- Lily beetle report <u>lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org</u>
- also, if you have questions, I will try to answer them.
- **Report** your beetles. With a picture, To Carlton University lilybeetletracker@weebly.com
- There is also a resource page on the website
- Report your beetles with a picture to Olds College
- <u>Kfry@oldscollege.ca-</u> **all information submitted is also shared with Carlton University**
- If you are in need of beetle brochures to give to a friend or neighbour. Contact <a href="mailto:lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org">lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org</a>



### **LILY BEETLE MUSINGS** Laurie Hepper

### lilybeetle@arls-lilies.org

Hello again. This could be my last musings. I sprayed my lilies two weeks before moving, again one week before moving and the day I packed them into the trailer they all got a good spray. All my lilies were potted into sterile potting soil for the big move. No weed seeds except for the elm and am still picking little trees out of my pots. The martagons and asiatics all had varying responses to the move. The martagons dug up early all went into shock, browned off and are just hibernating. The ones I dug up while in bud, I plunked into a pail of bleachy water to await the transfer, then planted and dusted into new soil, well watered and told to behave. They came though the move with an S curve in their stems and bloomed when they got here. Well Megan Evans was blooming before the move so had a really nice showing on my deck. I had a nice garden on my deck. And though the Marmots came to visit I chased them away. The deer did not venture up the stairs and I still, going into August, have not seen any red devils for almost two months. At this point if I have not moved them with me, I am now on the look out for the invasion into B.C. that will come, just not sure when. I can share some of the trials of my new garden.

Someone else will have to take up the torch on their trials and tribulations of the lily beetle in their lilies and send them for publication.

Megan Evans before and after the move. Just a bit of an S curve in the stem.
Photos by L. Hepper









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### **LILY SPOTLIGHT- Remembering Fred Fellner**

The Fellner list.

While the list is long and some would think comprehensive. It is by no means complete as his lilies are in many gardens and are and probably will continue to be registered by other hybridizers and growers. The date is the hybridized date if know otherwise it is the introduced date. The Olds College lily beds have a Fred Fellner specialty area. This is one of the few places you can go and see a special collection of his lilies that is not in a private garden.

One thing to note that Fellner lilies do not have a longevity in the garden. Many of his lilies were pollinated with I. cernuum which unfortunately passed on its short-lived genes to some of his lilies. For whatever reason the bulbs tend to perish after a few years. The Fellner lilies that I grow now are all in pots started with sterile soil and kept that way with no new introductions. This has allowed me to keep the Fellner seedlings I have acquired rather than watch them bloom say 'yes! that one is worth registering' and never seeing it again. If you are lucky to get some of his seedlings or his registered lilies that stick around in your garden, you definitely are lucky. I have not had that luck until I started using containers. I must have contaminated garden soil. Fred stopped hybridizing a couple years ago and last year was the last of the lilies in his fields to come to our sales. While this list is complete to 2015 it will be added to by all the lucky people growing his lily seedlings. The Valley K registrations in the later years show that THE BEST WAS UP AND COMING.

Alberta Rose 1982 Alice Moger 1988 Amelia Donna 2003 Apricot Cream 1977 Baby Pink Bells 1980 Backenblaque NR Brown Buttercup 1982 Butterfly Kisses 2008

Carol Jean 1979 Coppertone 1980 Darlin' 2000

Denise 1980 Diana 1980

Donna Sylvester Registered by Fred

Dori Jo 1982 NR? Elenore Edna 1977 Eliza Marilyn 2007 El Tigre 2003 Erin Kate 1996 Fancy Nancy 1998 FF88 Select 1988 NR

FF test stock 2003 NR

Firefox 1998 Fred's Red? NR Gienah 1982

Golden Summer 1978 Happy Camper 2005 Heather's Promise 1999

Honey Pink 1986 Hummer Pink ? NR Ice Cream 1978 Keeper 2006

Kimberley Ann 1979

Lea's Beauty 2005 Liam John ?

Lillian DesRoches 2001 Lilian Eileen 2001 Lily Simonet pre 1971 Linda May 1979 Lindsey Jennifer 1986

Little Bitty 2005

Marjorie Linda 1977 also Marjory

Mary Margaret 1988 Master Gardener 1996 Masters Touch 1996 Melissa Jamie 1986 Melusina 1982 Miss Cas 2012

Miss Congeniality 2003 Mother Teresa 1982 Mrs. Bright 1999 Parkland Orange 1981 Pink Peach 1979 Planter's Pink 1999 Plumblossom 1994

Port Alberni Tiger pre 1997

Prairie Jewel 1997 Prairie Kiss 2000 Prairie Sun 1999 Quicksilver 2005

Raspberry on Whip 1983

Red Blaze 1981 Red Galaxy 1988 Red Pine Pixie 1981 Red Raven 1979

**Rizzo 1998** 



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**Robert Simonet 1977** Rohan 2003 Rosemary Margaret 1987 Sally Jo Ann 1979 Salmon cream 1980 Sheri Katherine 1986 Shirley Marie 1977 Short Stop 2000 Small Town Girl 2000 Smokie 1982

Snow Leopard 1999

Sour Cream Raisin Pie 2006 Spacious Living 1978 Striptease 1999 Thea Rose 2014 Tina's Love 1999 Tweetie Pie 2006 Valley Girl 1998 Vendla 2004 Wanda 1978 Wesley Byron 2004

Yellow Joy 1975 Not the dutch Yellow Joy

2006 August 1 Fred Fellner is 6 ft 2 inches tall. that puts this stem at over 7 feet tall. This lily has 50 plus blooms



On Saturday, June 11, 2022 Mr. Fred Fellner passed away in Vermilion, Alberta at the age of 90 years. Fred's love of lilies and his joy in sharing with others the blooms from his work will live on in all whom he shared this love with. As he always stated when talking about his lilies and hybridizing work. "THE BEST IS YET TO COME." May the lily fields he walks now have the "The Best of what was to come" for him to enjoy.



















Photos by L. Hepper 2006 showing 2003 to 2005 hybridizing work.

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Judith Freeman and Fred Fellner discussing lilies at the 2012 fall ARLS general meeting in Calgary.



Fred Receiving the Hybridizers Award for the 2012 ARLS Annual Lily Show the show display of his hybridizing work 2012.





Photos by L. Hepper & Kelley Towes this page

Class 4A winner of the Hybridizers award 2012. Fred's lilies always show well and everyone hoped that something like this ended up in the fall sale bags.



Baby Pink Bells was a unique hybrid as it never fully opened like a "normal" lily making it loved or hated by judges and growers.



Heather's Promise one of Fred's selected lilies by Lynnette Westfall

You can even pick up some of his lilies at the bulb sale this fall.

**SEPT 2022**