

THE WASHINGTON DAFFODIL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER, SPRING 2016

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WDS SUMMER SOCIAL 6/12/2016 / WDS 2016 BULB ORDER DUE 5/31/2016

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The WDS Newsletter

is published in the Spring, Winter and Fall for members of WDS, with information on the activities of the club. Please send comments, ideas, and articles to the Editor: Mary Anne Barton, 3707 Burrows Avenue, Fairfax, VA 22030

Message from the President:

Dear Daffodil Friends,

Crazy Spring! But what is normal weather anymore anyway?

We all worried about having flowers for our later show this year, but we did, and they were beautiful. I went home from the show with a long list of later bloomers to acquire. My list for the fabulous WDS Bulb order will keep me busy digging, again.

The show would not have happened without the hard work of a few. The same few who do pretty much of everything. These few are thinking there might be other things they would like to do in their lives. Which means we need you to step up right now and contribute your time to keep WDS alive.

Please email me at kcogara@gmail.com to offer help.

The Summer picnic is going to be remarkable. You will be sorry not to attend, and we will be sorry to miss you.

Karen Cogar WDS President kcogara@gmail.com

WDS Summer Social & Meeting

SUNDAY June 12, 2016

RIVERSIDE ON THE POTOMAC - home of Suzi Worsham

Board Meeting 10:30Am

Potluck Lunch at 12 Noon, Followed by Program, Plant Exchange

Main dish, beverages and eating utensils provided by WDS

All attendees bring side dishes or deserts for 4 to 6

Short business meeting 1:30 pm

Plant exchange (a plant or garden related item)

Short program

End about 3-3:30 pm

DO NOT FOLLOW GPS!!!! Directions next page

Hort. Hint: Remember your daff leaves need 6 weeks of sun after bloom before you cut them down or dig your bulbs!

WDS Summer Social --DIRECTIONS

Directions to RIVERSIDE ON THE POTOMAC - home of Suzi Worsham SUNDAY June 12, 2016
44337 Spinks Ferry Road, Leesburg, VA 20176, 571-528-1065

DO NOT FOLLOW GPS!!!!

From the SOUTH:

Take route 15 North from Leesburg, Virginia to Lucketts, Virginia, turn RIGHT at stoplight, Lucketts Road, continue until road becomes Lost Corner Road, continue until road dead ends on to a gravel road, turn LEFT, Spinks Ferry Road, go .8 tenths of a mile, they are the last property, stone house on the hill. 44337 Spinks Ferry Road, Leesburg, VA 20176

From the NORTH:

Route 15 South to Point of Rocks into Virginia, go until Valero gas station, turn LEFT St. Clair Road, LEFT Lost Corner Road, LEFT on Spinks Ferry Road, .8 tenths of a mile, last property on road, the stone house on the hill. 44337 Spinks Ferry Road.

We will be meeting in The Long Stable Gallery and The Stable.

Call Suzi Worsham for information: 571-528-1065

Receive Your Newsletter Electronically

If you don't receive your newsletter via email and would be willing to do so, please **contact Kathy Welsh at: Kathy.Welsh@phmloans.com / 10803 Windcloud Ct., Oakton, VA 22124**. Electronic newsletters save us printing and mailing costs, plus you see the pictures in color. We plan to post the newsletters on the WDS website.

WDS Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is soliciting names for positions in the WDS. The election will take place at the fall meeting. We have positions open for 3 directors, a Vice President and a President. We really are asking for your participation and involvement in the WDS that we may continue this Society we all enjoy and are so very proud of. A small group cannot do it all - nor would you want them to - so please offer to serve and become an active participant. We want to hear your ideas and comments.

Contact Glenna Graves 1-540-434-8587 or glennamgraves@comcast.net

WDS 2016 Daffodil Show

In spite of the strange weather that seemed to wipe out so many daffodils before the show date, we had a beautiful show with over 900 stems!!! Thank you to all who helped in so many ways - "Many hands make light work!"

We were especially pleased to see the wonderful entries in the newly named Mary E. Koonce Parent Child class. Congratulations to Janet Hickman on her winning entry. Many members provided their pictures for this newsletter. Special thanks for our Photo Section judge, local photographer Ellis Rosenberg for his photos.

Horticulture: 918 stems, 397 exhibits, 39 exhibitors

Photo: 9 entries, 2 photographers

Floral Designs: 12 exhibits, 12 designers

TOP AWARDS

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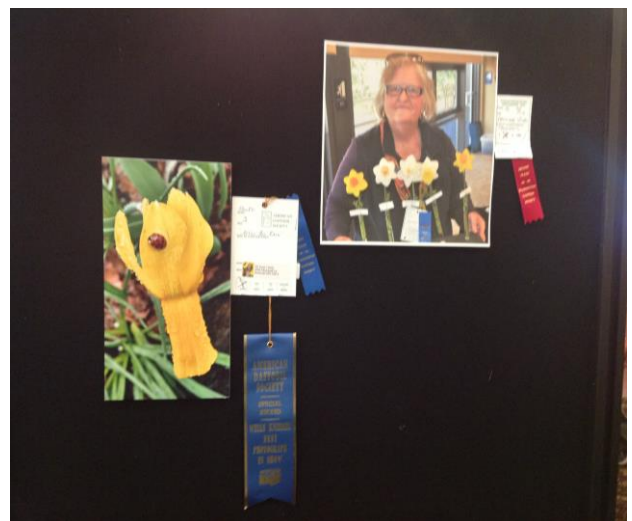
Gold: Glenna Graves – Pogo 3W-GYO
Rose: Mitch & Kate Carney – 5W-W, 05-80 'Gilead' x Nitri
Mini Gold: Karen Cogar – 5Y-Y, Duncan 04-175
White: Richard Ezell – Molly Malone Cook
Mini White: Lina Burton – Clare 7Y-Y
Best Intermediate: Glenna Graves – Pogo 3W-GYO
Best Intermediate 3-stem: Karen Cogar – Problem Child 2P-GYP
Best Historic: Karen Cogar – Folly, 1926, 2W-O
Best Historic 3-stem: Janet Hickman – Cassandra, 1897, 9W-GYR
Best Classic: Karen Cogar, Loch Assynt, 1963, 3W-YYO
Best Classic 3-stem: Amelia Abrahams- Stratosphere, 1968, 7Y-O
Youth Best Bloom: John Potter – Wave 4W-T
Small Growers: Janet Nolan – Saint Keverne 2Y-Y
Silver Ribbon (most blues): tie – Bridget Bryant & Karen Cogar
Intermediate collection of 5: Karen Cogar
Red-White-Blue: Karen Cogar
Purple Ribbon: Kathy Welsh (5-9 Collection)
Marie Bozevich: Richard Ezell
Elise Havens: Glenna Graves
Throckmorton: Bob and Lina Huesmann
Quinn: Karen Cogar
Mini Red-White-Blue: Mitch & Kate Carney
Lavender: Karen Cogar
Bankhead: Kathy Welsh
Roberta Watrous: Bob & Lina Huesmann
Mini Bronze: Janet Hickman
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Crenshaw: Karen Cogar
Battle: Glenna Graves
Mary Koonce Parent Child Award: Janet Hickman
Butterworth: Ginger Wallach
English Medal: Geni Applegate
Div 5-9: Kathy Welsh
Lawler: Mitch & Kate Carney
Novice Award: Geni Applegate
Rimmed Cup: Kathy Welsh
Weiss: Glenna Graves
Culpeper: Bridget Bryant – Stainless 2W-W
Ticknor: Mitch & Kate Carney – Rapture 6Y-Y
Reserve Best Bloom: Bridget Bryant – Stainless 2W-W

Floral Designs: Small Standard Flower Show

WDS Cahill Award: Arlene Stewart Class 1
WDS Gates Award: Robert Darling Class 3







Pictures Below by Ellis Rosenberg



The 2016 WDS Bulb Order Buyer's Guide by Bob Huesmann

Here are some comments, additional to those on the 2016 Bulb Order, which I hope will be helpful in sorting out your selections. It was a pleasant surprise to see our WDS Bulb of the Year, the well-named Resplendent, commercially available again after many years, and at a very good price, apparently a result of the productive genius of the Dutch bulb industry. Also, tucked away in the general list are two Pannill award winners, American Dream 1 Y-P and Oregon Pioneer 2 Y-P. Both could have been Bulb of the Year selections but quantities are limited. Another rescue from the Havens heritage is Smooth Sails 3 W-W, the child of two classics: the often-awarded Verona and Silken Sails, one of Mary Koonce's favorites. Then there is Woodstar, our first-ever mini Bulb of the Year. It was (again) best-in-show this year. It's hard to get--and keep--a healthy bulb of Lemon Silk 6 YYW-W. I, and others, have found Inca (Reverse of the Year) to be less frustrating, and it's a jaunty, very showable flower with obvious cyclamineus form. Brian Duncan, the hybridizer of Burt House (pink of the year), thought it when introduced to be the best of his many flowers in that class, and the record supports that. We reserved the limited quantity available at a special price. Another beautiful award-winning Duncan 2 W-P, Version, is on the general list. It differs from Burt House, with a near-trumpet corona of light pink which has an almost white rim. Both of these are on our list for the first time. The third excellent Duncan 2 W-P on the list, Lake District, is yet different with an attractive cup that is paler toward the base. Modulux, the Downunder Bulb of the Year, is a must-have. (Ask any old-timer!) It is a healthy grower and virtually always produces cut-and-show flowers. The cup fades to white within a few days, but the yellow rim remains and the flower is so beautiful at that stage, too.

If you like yellow--and who doesn't?--consider American Gold 1 Y-Y, and the intermediate Mighty Mite, both in the Newer and Interesting section. Mighty Mite was a winner in St. Louis this year. There are also two fine Duncan 1 Y-Y's in the general list. Kingsleigh is a sibling of Temba and has inherited the same smooth, rounded perianth, but has a bit more expanded corona frilled at the rim. One of our major growers rates the other one, Barnesdale, as the best of Duncan's 1 Y-Y's. All three of the large-cupped yellows offer exceptional value at their prices. Clouded Yellow, our 2015 Bulb of the Year, is offered again in case you missed out on it last year. (The same is true of Silent Valley 1 W-GWW which was best classic in St. Louis this year.) Also check out the new, lower price for Burravoe 1 Y-WWY, one of Ron Scamp's best flowers; it's a Trumpet Warrior child. There are two Div 2 reverse bi-colors on the list. Helford Dawn, awarded by the RHS, is probably earlier than the Daffseek "M" indication. My Sunshine, a Hambleton child, is larger and later.

Cape Cornwall 2 Y-YYO is another of Scamp's best, a gold ribbon winner. Fire-Blade, one of the few Postles bulbs this year, was in the winning English-bred collection in St. Louis. Ruddy Rascal 2 Y-R, from the excellent parents Patabundy and Burning Bush, blooms usefully late mid-season and is finally available at a reasonable price. Angel's Wood, a mid-season bloomer, is highly rated by its grower. We listed Coliseum 2 W-YYO in 2010 at a much higher price. The rather wide cup, with its sun-resistant rim, is eye-catching. Hot Embers 2 W-GOP (that's the color code, not a political statement!) is a newly available Duncan cultivar (Alston x Soprano), apparently the first and only one in its color code. Warm Welcome 2 W-GWP is welcomed thusly to our list, down from its \$60 intro price. If you need to replenish your Div 2 whites, this is a good year to do it at a very reasonable cost. All three on the list are good ones. I grow Areley Kings, and it's a healthy grower, a very consistent and floriferous producer of showable blooms that last a long time.

Nonchalant 3 Y-GYY is one of those aging cultivars that simply won't fade away and keeps winding up in winning exhibits. The perianth of Bossa Nova 3 O-R is light yellow with an orange cast to it that contrasts so beautifully with the red cup, and it can be very smooth, too, without that bothersome center rib. It's under-appreciated. Armidale 3 Y-O has celebrated parents (Burning Bush and the multiple best-in-show Triple Crown) and is a good choice for the later shows. For 3 W-Y's, this is an abundant year, with three really superior show cultivars: Astrid's Memory, Halley's Comet and Moon Shadow. Hartlebury 3 W--ORR has been around for a while, but Kathy Welsh took one all the way to gold at the national show a few years ago. (Just a personal comment here: Although there are a relatively few cultivars like Clouded Yellow, Banker, etc that are multiple times gold ribbon winners, a majority of the cultivars on our list are capable of best-in-show if they are grown well AND the soil, moisture and weather conditions are just right. If we only knew exactly what those conditions were, and could duplicate them!!)

The doubles on the list this year deserve wider recognition, in my opinion. Greek Surprise 4 W-Y is an improvement over Duncan's earlier cultivars in its class. The name just seems a bit off-putting to me. Heamoor 4 Y-Y and Madame Speaker 4 Y-O are never hyped, but they persist in appearing in winning collections. Gay Tabor 4 W-O is an unregistered Dutch variety, so an unlikely candidate for our list, but you should have seen the one Janet Hickman had in her winning collection at Chambersburg a couple of years ago. I grew it this year, and it's very similar to Gay Kybo, a big, full blossom with smooth petals and bright orange corona segments. I'm going to give Vivash 4 W-P a try this year. I'm hopeful that it may be an alternative for those of us on this side of the Atlantic--myself included--for whom the great Dorchester won't bloom.

Tuesday's Child 5 W-Y, another classic, has given me very well-formed late-season blooms. The same goes (except it's early) for Whang-Hi 6 Y-O. It's absolutely delightful--like Beryl, but a bit larger and with richer coloration. My first Throckmorton of the season always has one at the end of the first row. Based on the smooth blooms from the two Scamp Div 7's we listed last year (Hugus and Littlefield) I am optimistic about Treble Two 7 Y-GYY. Silver Smiles 7 W-Y from Brent Heath also appears to be a cut above others in smoothness and overall form. Among the split coronas, Saxby and Marion Pearce are siblings. The latter is an intermediate in the U.K., at 85 mm just a shade over the ADS limit--but judges are usually lenient! Cosine 11a W-P is a child of the wonderful Trigonometry and has a very richly colored corona.

In the Classics section note the correct registration date for Kimmeridge is 1968, not 1975 (sorry, my error), so it is indeed eligible as a classic entry. There is a very strong group of intermediates on the general list. Among them, Quiet Magic 2 W-P has been a consistent winner in the U.K., and it could well have been included in our Newer and Interesting section. Miniature fanciers will note several varieties on the list that haven't been available for some time, at pretty reasonable prices. There are some interesting species there, too, including *n. cyclamineus*.

LIMITED QUANTITIES! Some bulbs are available only in limited quantities. I've noted American Dream and Oregon Pioneer. Others are Astrid's Memory, Quiet Magic, Cosine, Crevenagh, Moon Shadow, and all three of the poets. Please order early, folks. It helps you avoid a "sold out" situation, and if you order early it also helps us to avoid the substitutions and refunds that nobody likes. Thank you for your support of WDS, and I hope you find a good many bulbs on the list that will give you some happy days next spring.

March 12, 2016 – Washington Daffodil Society Spring Meeting

The March 12, 2016 meeting of the Washington Daffodil Society met in the home of President Karen Cogar. The board meeting was called to order at 10:50 AM. Members present were Robert Huesmann, Karen Cogar, Mary Ann Barton, Glenna Graves, Ruth Ann McGrail, Joy Duncan, Robert Darling, Jim Taylor, Susan Kroner, Don Caton, Lina Huesmann, Femmo Lo, Mary Darling, Donna Clausen, Steve Morrison, Lea Shuba, Mary Schwegler.

Treasurer report: President Cogar presented the treasurer report. Profit of the 2015 bulb order was \$4,796.03. A detailed report will be provided upon request.

Minutes: Joy Duncan made a motion we accept the October 24, 2015 minutes as printed in the last WDS Newsletter.

Seconded by Don Caton.

Bulb Order: Bob Huesmann presented a draft of 141 bulb selections for our 2016 bulb order with the anticipation of adding a few more choices depending on growers' availability. It is anticipated that the order will be completed and ready for distribution by the ADS Convention and daffodil show time.

The 'import permit' for receiving international bulbs will be transferred to Karen Cogar as it had previously been in the name of Mary Koonce.

Bulb Choice, a British wholesale company that coordinates bulbs from Holland, England, etc. for orders, will be added to our purchase list.

Mary Ann Barton will print the bulb order forms for distribution and then receive the orders for tabulation. The bulbs will be shipped to Karen Cogar to prepare for distribution, Amelia Abrahams and Martha Best will again make the labels for all bulb bags then several members will assist in sorting, bagging and mailing. Volunteers are welcome to assist.

At the fall meeting we plan to have the bulb auction, raffles and bulb exchange as we did last year with the income of each recorded separately, if feasible, for comparison.

The fall WDS meeting is tentatively set for October 22, depending on the location availability. **Bulb order deadline date – May 31, 2016.**

Membership – No report

Newsletter: Only 40 hardcopy Newsletters are mailed out now. Please send Mary Ann Barton articles of interest for the Newsletter. She would be most appreciative.

Arboretum- Robert Darling will set up a meeting with the new director of the National Arboretum Perennial Collections, Mr. Christopher von Kohn. We want our presence and interest to be known at the arboretum. Robert will also check on the possibility of having our summer WDS meeting/picnic at the Arboretum and also discuss membership with the National Arboretum.

Daffodil Show- Mary Ann Barton, Glenna Graves and Karen Cogar are co chairs of the show which will again be held at the American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, VA 22030 on Thursday, April 21-Friday 22, 2016. Set up day is Wednesday, April 20th.

A new class has been designated as the Mary E. Koonce Award-Daffodil Parent and Child (previously known as the Bloomer Award). We hope to have many entries in this class. To get more information for parent and child submit a bloom name on the ADS Query page, click on Descendants button and you will see the 'children'. EX: Submit bloom AIRCASTLE and you will see this bloom has been a parent 57 times. Some of the children are Earthlight, Ginger, Oryx, Spindletop, Pogo etc. Check it out.

Alternate show and meeting venues was discussed. Karen Cogar will investigate having a regular meeting at River Side Farm, American Horticulture Society Headquarters, and also inquire about available space and cost of having a show there in the future.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 12:10PM

Following lunch and conversation the General meeting was called to order.

Reports:

- Bulb Order -Bob Huesmann discussed his bulb order draft selections with emphasis on the Parent-Child bulbs that will be available. His goal is having the bulb order forms ready before the ADS Convention and other daffodil shows. Anticipates the deadline for Bulb Orders will be May 31, 2016.
- Daffodil Show – April 20-21-22, 2016. Wednesday April 20 is the set-up day. Had sign-up sheet for member participation in the show...all areas need help. We encourage club members to enter the Mary E. Koonce Daffodil Parent-Child class. Our show is also The Mid Atlantic Regional Show so the Tuggle medal/ribbon and the Mini Bronze ribbons will be awarded.
- Arboretum-Robert Darling will meet with the new perennial director of the National Arboretum to discuss our daffodil collection, membership/Friends of the National Arboretum and the possibility of having our summer meeting/picnic at the there.
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Meeting adjourned 2:00PM.

Glenna Graves, Secretary

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WDS Membership - Membership Year January 1 - December 31

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WDS Fall Annual Meeting



June 12, 2016 WDS Summer Social