

The Dahlia Society of Nova Scotia Quarterly Newsletter – Oct. 07



As you can readily see, this newsletter is dealing with the results of the 2007 Dahlia Shows. For those of you who did not get the opportunity to view one of the shows, like myself, can only imagine the oceans of colour available for the eyes to feast over.

So, without wasting any time whatsoever, let's jump right in and see the results. The names associated with the prizes indicate hours of work in the garden, grooming the prize-winning blooms.

DAHLIA SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA MINI-SHOW

August 15 , 2007 • Halifax Co. Exhibition, Nova Scotia • Chairpersons: Joyce and Eric Higgins

NAME OF PRIZE	NAME OF DAHLIA	EXHIBITOR
BEST of SHOW	DAISY	Carol Dexter
LARGEST	Kids Climax	Carol Dexter
Best AA FD	Bonaventure	Eric Higgins
Best A FD	Tribune's Samuel The Great	Joe LaPierre
Best B FD	Lady Darlene	Cecil Dexter
Best BB ID	Goldilocks	Arthur Haskins
Best M FD	Brian's Dream	Carol Dexter
BEST DECORATIVE	Bonaventure	Eric Higgins
Best AA SC	Inland Dynasty	George Graham
Best A SC	Pink Jupiter	Arthur Haskins
Best B SC	04 Tribune's Janet Elizabeth	Joe LaPierre
Best BB SC	Embrace	Cecil Dexter
Best M SC	Mary Jo	Joan Randall
BEST SEMI CACTUS	Embrace	Cecil Dexter
Best A C	Camano Messenger	George Graham
Best B C	Juanita	George Graham
Best BB C	Seedling	Rod Prowse
Best M C	Glenbank Twinkle	Carol Dexter
BEST CACTUS	Glenbank Twinkle	Carol Dexter
Best A L	Cyril Higgo	Alice Dempsey
Best B L	04 Tribune's Eureka	Joe LaPierre
Best BB L	Top Honour	Joan Randall
Best M L	Mingus Lucio	Carol Dexter
BEST LACINIATED	Tribune's Eureka	Joe LaPierre
Best MB	Seedling	Carol Dexter

Best BA	Mary's Jomanda	Barry MacKenzie
Best POM	Glenplace	Cecil Dexter
Best WL	Juul's Lotus	Cecil Dexter
Best Mignon	Daisy	Carol Dexter
Best Collarette	Bridal Bouquet	Carol Dexter
Best Orchid	Marie Schnugg	Eric Higgins
Best Novice	Twilight Time	Jennifer Doane
Best OF	Sandra's Tiffany	Alice Demsey
Best FD/ID Basket	Colt 45	Carol Dexter
Best SC Basket	Dana Iris	Arthur Haskins
Best WL Basket	Suitzus Julie	Arthur Haskins
Best POM Basket	Yellow Baby	Joyce Higgins
Best OF Basket	Marie Schnugg	Joyce Higgins
BEST BASKET	Marie Schnugg	Joyce Higgins

Our early mini-show was a complete success with 254 entries and good quality for the early date and poor weather conditions.

-Arthur Haskins

Dahlia Judges Training Program

Anyone interested in becoming a dahlia judge please contact Arthur Haskins at 668-2838 or email me at (ahaskins@eastlink.ca). This is a 2-year program of study and practical training, leading to certification as an accredited ADS dahlia judge. This is not a program to learn how to exhibit dahlias, but only how to effectively judge them. Accredited judges who would like to upgrade to a Senior Judge are also asked to contact Arthur.

Program

Oct 26	Regular Meeting – Program to be announced.
Nov 30	Regular Meeting - Program to be announced.

DAHLIA SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA

September 7 - 8, 2007, Show Chair: Rod Prowse, Micmac Mall, Bedford, Nova Scotia

OPEN

Name of Prize	Dahlia	Exhibitor
King of Show	Clyde's Choice	Cecil Dexter
Queen of Show	Trengrove Millenium	Carol Dexter
Prince of Show	Taratahi Lilac	Eric & Joyce Higgins
Princess of Show	Glenbank Twinkle	Eric & Joyce Higgins

Duchess of Show	Odyssey	Eric & Joyce Higgins
Duke of Show	Lorona Dawn	Cecil Dexter
Best AA	Clyde's Choice	Cecil Dexter
AA FD	Clyde's Choice	Cecil Dexter
AA ID	Mingus Whitney	Carol Dexter
AA SC	No qualified entry	
AA C	Hy Mom	Gordon Garnet
AA L	No entry	
Best A	Red Emperor	John O'Neil
A FD	No qualified entry	
A ID	Red Emperor	John O'Neil
A SC	Fern Ridge Fancy	Eric & Joyce Higgins
A C	Hy Miriam	Cecil Dexter
A L	Cyril Higgo	Alice Dempsey
Best B	Trengrove Millenium	Carol Dexter
B FD	Trengrove Millenium	Carol Dexter
B ID	Not indicated.	
B SC	Not indicated.	
B C	Not indicated.	
B L	Not indicated.	
Best BB	Taratahi Lilac	Eric & Joyce Higgins
BB FD	Alf's Mascot	Carol Dexter
BB ID	Not indicated.	
BB SC	Not indicated.	
BB C	Taratahi Lilac	Eric & Joyce Higgins
BB L	Camano Puff	Carol Dexter
Best M	Glenbank Twinkle	Eric & Joyce Higgins
M FD	Not indicated.	
M ID	No entry	
M SC	Not indicated.	
M C	Glenbank Twinkle	Eric & Joyce Higgins
M L	Mingus Lucio	Carol Dexter
BA	Cornel	Carol Dexter
MBA	Odyssey	Eric & Joyce Higgins
POM	Yellow Baby	Eric & Joyce Higgins
Stellar	Pink Pet	Carol Dexter
Waterlily	Gerrie Hoek	Nina Dandurand
Peony	Longwood Dainty	Eric & Joyce Higgins
Anemone	Goldie Gull	Cecil Dexter
Collarette	David Lam	Eric & Joyce Higgins
Single	No entry	
Mignon	Exotic Dwarf	Cecil Dexter
Orchid	Marie Schnugg	Mike Dandurand
NO	Lorona Dawn	Cecil Dexter
NX	Akita no Hikari	Carol Dexter
Best 3 bloom	Wildwood Marie	Carol Dexter
Best 5 bloom	Daisy	Carol Dexter
Basket	Brian's Dream	Carol Dexter
Ed Alley Memorial	Brian's Dream	Carol Dexter
Largest	Wanda Capella	Gordon Garnett
Novice Grower	Tribune's Alice M Gray	Molly Gray

Flower of the Year	Mary's Jomanda	Carol Dexter
Nova Scotia Intro	Onabrook Echo	Carol Dexter
Canadian Intro	Tribune's Samuel the Great	Joe Lapierre
2007 Intro	Tribune's Janet Elizabeth	Joe LaPierre
1st Yr.Seedling	2054-11	Carol Dexter
ADS Seedling	Rogue Starburst	Gordon Garnet
Arrangement	Sea Adventures	Nina Dandurand
Best Floating Dahlia		Nina Dandurand

SMALL GROWER

Name of Prize	Dahlia	Exhibitor
SG King of Show	Fernridge Fancy	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Queen of Show	(See notes)	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Prince of Show	Gitts Attention	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Princess of Show	Weston Spanish Dancer	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Duchess of Show	Glenplace	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Duke of Show	Alloway Candy	Alice Ferguson
SG Best AA	Walter Hardisty	Michelle Bouthillier
SG AA FD	No entry	
SG AA ID	Walter Hardisty	Michelle Bouthillier
SG AA SC	No entry	
SG AA C	No entry	
SG AA L	No entry	
SG Best A	Fern Ridge Fancy	Joanne Bouthillier
SG A FD	No entry.	
SG A ID	No entry	
SG A SC	Fern Ridge Fancy	Joanne Bouthillier
SG A C	Camano Sitka	Tom Roberts
SG A L	No entry	
SG Best B	Not indicated.	
SG B FD	No entry	
SG B ID	April Dawn	Joanne Bouthillier
SG B SC	Hamari Accord	Joanne Bouthillier
SG B C	Jo Anne	Joanne Bouthillier
SG B L	No entry	
SG Best BB	Gitts Attention	Joanne Bouthillier
SG BB FD	No qualified entry	
SG BB ID	Gitts Attention	Joanne Bouthillier
SG BB SC	No entry	
SG BB C	No entry	
SG BB L	No entry	
SG Best M	Weston Spanish Dancer	Joanne Bouthillier
SG M FD	No entry	
SG M ID	Brookside J Cooley	Joanne Bouthillier
SG M SC	No entry	
SG M C	Weston Pirate	Joanne Bouthillier

SG M L	Weston Spanish Dancer	Joanne Bouthillier
SG BA	No entry	
SG MBA	No entry	
SG POM	Glenplace	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Stellar	Alloway Candy	Alice Ferguson
SG Waterlily	Suitzus Julie	Heather Drope
SG Peony	No entry	
SG Anemone	No entry	
SG Collarette	David Lam	Joanne Bouthillier
SG Single	No entry	
SG Mignon	No entry	
SG Orchid	Marie Schnugg	Alice Ferguson
SG NO	No entry	
SG NX	No entry	
SG Best 3 bloom	Trengrove Millenium	Alice Ferguson
SG Best 5 bloom	No entry	
SG Basket	No entry	
Canadian Intro	No entry	
SG Flower of the Year	Mary's Jomanda	Sherma Richards
SG Best Arrangement	Oriental Simplicity	Heather Drope
SG Best Floating Dahlia		Heather Drope

Notes:

Bloom count: 730, excluding arrangements. The natural light in the bay court of Micmac Mall was a marked improvement over the dark hallways in Bedford. Perhaps most importantly, there was definitely much greater interest from shoppers than at previous shows, with a number taking pictures.

Problems with judging:

- In the open category, the best in each of B ID, B SC, B C, B L, M FD, and M SC were not recorded by the judges, though there were multiple blue-ribbon blooms in each. Similarly, Small Grower BB was not recorded.
- In the small grower section, the best B ID, SC and C were not recorded though blooms of April Dawn, Hamari Accord and Jo Anne were awarded blue ribbons in each of these these categories. As there were no other entries in small grower B, one of these blooms should have been judged as small grower Best Single Bloom B and awarded Queen of Show, and credited to Joanne Bouthillier who entered all of these blooms.

Whether entirely due to the extra sections for small growers (growing fewer than 51 dahlia plants, excluding seedlings) or not, judging ran past 2:30PM. From comparison to the 2006 report, there were a total of 2 more names in the court of honour: Molly Gray in the Open Novice section, and Michelle Bouthillier in the new Small Grower section. The net gain from the small grower section, intended to see more names in the court of honour, resulted in one more name than 2006.

A shortened version of this report has been submitted to the ADS Bulletin. — John Proctor

2008 ADS Memberships Through Dahlia Society of NS

ADS membership dues for 2008 can be paid through the Dahlia Society of NS for \$25 Canadian. The dahlia society subsidizes ADS memberships by paying the conversion on the dollar to the

US membership fee, the \$8US upgrade for receipt of all ADS bulletins by air mail, the US funds money order and postage to the states. (If you pay the ADS directly, full ADS dues rates apply.)

ADS dues will be collected at the October and November meetings. Otherwise, send \$25 Canadian payable to the Dahlia Society of Nova Scotia to the address below. I will be passing it along to our treasurer but it is important that you send it to me, John P., with any address changes, so I can include your information on the form listing ADS members to be submitted to the ADS.

Deadline: Receipt by me by November 30, 2007.

If you want to pay your Dahlia Society of NS at the same time, just add \$5 for a single membership or \$7 for family, as the case may be.

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Meeting Location

Dahlia Society of Nova Scotia meetings are held at the Nova Scotia Museum of Natural History at 1747 Summer St. in Halifax. Meetings are on the **last Friday** of the month starting at 7:30 PM in the auditorium on the lower level. The evening entrance to the museum is from the parking lot on the south side.

DAHLIA SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA: New Member / Renewal Form
DSNS dues are \$5.00 single and \$7.00 for family in Canadian funds, per year.

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Address _____ APT ____
City/Town _____
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