NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY GARDEN SOCIETY

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UPCOMING AGM

March 16, 2023 – 7 p.m. Remote meeting – the link will be forwarded.

We will have a special guest speaker: details to follow.



EASTERN GARDEN – 1603 Eastern Road, N. Van.

We are proud to announce that a new garden was created and opened to new members in September of 2022. It contains 23 plots and includes a "Butterfly Way initiative". This is a temporary garden supported by the City of North Vancouver.

LOWER LONSDALE COMMUNITY GARDEN – WELCOME!

We are thrilled that in November 2022, the members of the Lower Lonsdale Community Garden unanimously voted to join our Society. For this summer's season, they will move to their new home, located on Alder St. next to the Spirit Trail. It will be known as "Alder Community Garden".

LILLOOET COMMUNAL HERB GARDEN & POTENTIAL EXPANSION

We were successful in an application to the District of North Vancouver for a grant to repair the central seating and herb garden. We have also submitted a proposal and drawings for an expansion of the garden. This would include the upkeep of the trees bordering the garden and the removal of some invasive species.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS

Queen Mary, Garibaldi, Lillooet and City Hall gardens received funding for updates and repairs.

IN THE WORKS

Improving security; adding more beehives; creating Indigenous "healing gardens"; building relationships with partners and government for the growth of the NSCGS.

NORTH SHORE CONNEXIONS SOCIETY

After approaching us for volunteer opportunities, they have assisted us with the upkeep of the "Butterfly Way initiative" at Queen Mary.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

All our Board members and garden coordinators have new email addresses with the domain of nscgarden.ca. Also, we have converted our digital files to

Google Workspace. A big shout-out to our Board Member Mike (Tech Admin) for all of the time and effort. Also to Kody, one of the new Eastern Garden coordinators, who offered his help, expertise and time.

We have updated our Gardener's Guidelines with the goal of adding clarity for our members and our Coordinators. They will be a part of the AGM package to come.



"Gardening adds years to your life, and life to your years".

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