

Dahlia Times

San Leandro
Dahlia Society
May 2023



Kenora Jubilee

Letter from the President

Dahlia folk,

We are looking forward to another successful tuber/plant sale this Saturday. For the new folks, you can catch one of the older growers and find out how they do what they do. The last sale was good but because of weather, everything was slow to eye up or in the case of cuttings, slow to root up. We should have a lot of product this time and hope the gardeners will come and buy all we have again.

Put this on your calendars. On July 22, the Dahlia Society of California, (San Francisco), will hold a judging seminar for all that can come. This will be held at the Lakeside Presbyterian Church, Eucalyptus Drive, San Francisco (the corner of 19th and Eucalyptus). We usually start at 9:00am, but I will check. The new ADS modules will probably be used to clarify judging techniques. Are you ready to be a judge?

Thanks to all that helped dig and divide dahlia tubers at Casa Peralta. Kristi spends a lot of time there making the garden a show place for the city, so we thank all that came and helped.

We continue to search for a meeting place for our show this year. We have Lake Side Park set but if we can find an affordable place in San Leandro, we would jump on it. After all, we are the San Leandro Dahlia Society, and the official flower of San Leandro is the dahlia so it would be nice if we could if we could show our flowers here.

Hope you see you at the meeting,

Pres. John



APRIL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY APRIL 18,2023

PRESENT

ELLEN MUIR

CURTIS MAXWELL

BEVERLY DAHLSTEDT

DEVA LOWENTHAL

FRANCES KAWAGUCHI

SABRINA ALMAZAN

CRAIG CALLIHAN

GINGER PORRILL

CHRIS DIX

SUE GREGORI

JOHN KAWAGUCHI

PEGGY MURPHY

JOHN MORTON

KRISTI WHITFIELD

DIANE BOND

MAX CRITCHFIELD (JOY)

MARILYN FONG

VIA ZOOM

QUAMRUN ELDRIDGE

CLAUDIA BOW

LESLIE

EVELYN ROSA

DENNIS STONE

ELISE

ALEX GUERRA

CHET

MEETING STARTED AT 7:17PM

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

MARCH MEETING MINUTES = NOT PUBLISHED, NO VOTE

TREASURES REPORT = APPROVED

APRIL MEETING MINUTES (CONTINUED)

GROUP DISCUSSION ON SEEDS, CUTTINGS AND TUBERS

- TUBER STORAGE - MOISTURE CONTROL IS THE KEY (TEMP/HUMID)
- CURTIS HAD GOOD SUCCESS WITH PERLITE - BAG HAS TO BE COMPLETELY FILLED WITH PERLITE AND NO AIR. HE FOUND THE ARTICLE IN THE OCT BULLETIN. OTHERS HAVE TRIED IT WITH VARYING DEGREES OF SUCCESS .
- CHRIS DIX LOST A BUNCH BUT HE THINKS IT WAS DUE TO THE BAGS HE USED THIS YEAR.
- DEVA TRIED A NEW MIXTURE THAT WAS RECOMMEND TO HER, IT HAS DESTROYED MOST OF HER TUBERS.

TUBER SALE

- 9:30-10:30 MEMBER SALE \$4 TUBERS \$6 PLANTS
- 11-2:30 OPEN SALE \$6 TUBERS \$8 PLANTS
- JOBS ASSIGNED -
- FRIDAY 1 -5 FOR SET UP.

PLANT GIVEAWAY - EVERYONE INCL. ZOOM PARTICIPATED. ALSO EARLY PLANT SALE BY CHRIS AND MAX.

MEETING ENDED AT 9PM

May 2023 Meeting

Tuesday May 16, 7:00 PM

Church of Christ

601 MacArthur Blvd

San Leandro CA 94577

AGENDA

1. Opening remarks by John Morton
2. Introduction of visitors and members
3. Approval of minutes, treasurer's report
4. Announcements:
 - Tuber sale report
 - Judging class date and location
 - New Kristine Albrecht book
 - 2023 show date
 - 2024 show date
 - Upcoming workdays
 - Mentoring opportunities
 - Dahlia classification quick tips (Curtis Maxwell)
5. Program
 - Group discussion: watering, fertilizers and pesticides
- 6: June preview:
 - Plant growth control (pinching, de-branching, dis-budding)
 - Hands-on garden demonstration (TBD)



May 2023 Meeting

Zoom link for the meeting

Topic: SLDS Monthly Meeting 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86055602057>

Meeting ID: 860 5560 205

Dial by your location

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

Tuber Sales

We had a very successful tuber sale again this year at Mulford Park. Because our winter was so cool and wet, we did not have as many tubers and plants as usual. Now, a few weeks on, we have more plants and tubers!

We have decided to have ANOTHER tuber sale Saturday May 13 at Peggy's home.

San Leandro Dahlia Society Plant and Tuber Sale #2:

Saturday, May 13, 2023 ~10 AM - 12 noon
1111 Glen Drive, San Leandro, CA 94577

tubers - \$6

small plants or cuttings - \$8

Cash, checks and Venmo accepted



Work Day at Casa Peralta

A fine time was had by all Saturday May 6. Tubers got dug, washed, divided. Weeds got pulled and everyone had a good time. Thanks to everyone that participated. It was an amazing effort.



Work Day at Casa Peralta



Work Day at Casa Peralta



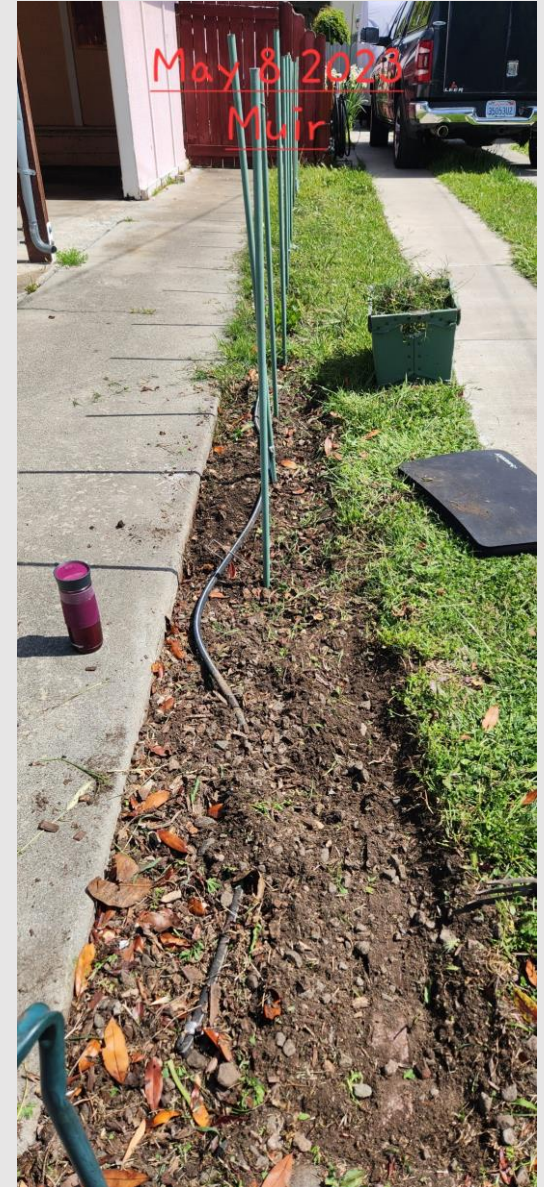
Work Day at Casa Peralta



Capturing Our Gardens Through the Season- photo chronology request

By the time September arrives, we forget all of the changes our garden plots and pots go through from weeds and bare soil to luscious green bushes with bountiful blooms. Starting today, go out and take a picture of your garden or planter pot group today. Every two to three weeks, snap another photo of the same location and date it, if you can. In September, I will collect your photos and will make a slideshow to share at our meeting. Here is a photo of my partially weeded side plot to inspire you.

-Ellen





Want Ads and Notices

- Ellen Muir has ~20 4" pots available for the asking. Contact Ellen if you are interested.

Send a note to :

- bonddiane9@gmail.com

if you want to put something in the want ads.