

CODS CORNER

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Betty Kealiher, President Tag Bourne, Editor

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Daffodil Friends:

The few bulbs which I planned to dig are now drying in an outbuilding, and my orders for new bulbs have been sent; so as of now, things are quiet with the daffodils. However, the topic of daffodils is very much in the forefront in planning for the 2013 convention. Work continues on the budget, topics for sessions, speakers, etc. If you have an idea, a thought, or if there is something which you would like to suggest, please let me know. My new email address is bkealiher@windstream.net

Judges School #1 will be offered on Thursday, April 11 at the convention site. If you have wanted to learn more and eventually judge, this is your chance to get started locally. More information will be available in the ADS Journal.

Mark your calendar now to attend a CODS meeting at noon on October 2 at the Columbus Crown Plaza Hotel. At that time we hope to add your name for help with different parts of the convention.

If you have any changes in your mailing address, phone number, email address, please let Phyllis Hess know at daffyphyll@hotmail.com. By the time you receive CODS Corner, Phyllis will have had her problem with carpal tunnel corrected which has plagued her this past winter and spring.

Hope you all have a wonderful summer. See you in October.

Regards,
Betty

Welcome new member: Jean Jankowski, 20 Carmarthen Way, Granville, OH 43023-1090, Phone 740-587-4116. Email: jankowski@alink.com

THE YEAR OF THE POET

Not all things were bad about the 2012 daffodil season. With the April-like weather in March, daffodils bloomed weeks ahead of schedule forcing the cancelation of several shows. SWODS was fortunate enough to be able to move their show ahead two weeks. the outcome of this weather pattern was the year of the poet.

The earlier poets, Meg Yerger's. 'Secret Circle', 'Sweet Somerset' and 'Sweet Surprise' were blooming by the end of March in my garden. Then April weather became March- like and flowering slowed down.

The earliest show in our region was SWODS at the Cincinnati Zoo on March 31st. This was two weeks earlier than planned. 'Cantabile' 9W-GYR 1932 won the best Historic and 'Sea Green' 9W-GYR 1930 was in the best collection of five historic. Shaw Nature Reserve 5M 9W-GYR was in the winning Delia Bankhead Collection. Mary Lou had a collection of five poets which included "Bisland" 9W-YYR, "Lyric" 9W-GYR, 'Dylan Thomas' 9W-GYR, "Kamau" 9W-GYR and 'Campion' 9W-GYR.

In the National Show held in Townson, Md there were eight collections of five poets. (How would you like to judge that class?) There were also I think as many three of a kind and of course single stems. In a winning collection of five historic there were three poets. In fact you could do a whole collection with all historic. Included in the collection was: 'Juliet' 9W-YYR 1906, 'Shannach' 9W-YYR 1939 and 'Glory of Lisse' 9W-YYR 1901. The White Ribbon was awarded to a vase of three 'Starlet' 9W-GYR and three Historic was won by 'King of Diamonds' 9W-R 1935. 'Murlough' 9W-GYR (Ballydorn) was included in the Northern Ireland collection of five and the Quinn Collection had three poets: 'Hoot Owl' 9W-GYR (Hamilton), 'Moyle' 9W-GYO and 'Braid Song' 9W-GYO. 'Campion' 9W-GYR and 'Patios' 9W-GYR were in the winning Havens Collection and 'Actaea' 9W-YYR was in the Throckmorton. In the Challenge Classes Michael Berrigan included a poet seedling 0026-1 9W-YYR in the Link Award winner and 'Peaceful Valley' 9W-GYO (Havens) was in the ADS Challenge Cup.



Hoot Owl 9W-GYR 2005 Max Hamilton

Then there were the miniature classes. The Rose Ribbon went to a Low seedling SP-2 9W-GGR and 6-W-E 9W-GYR took the Larus for best miniature three stems shown by the Originator. Delia Bankhead Collection had one poet seedling and Lavender Collection one seedling poet and 'Hupa' 9W-GYR (Wilson). The collections for hybridizers 3 X and 12 X included all poet seedlings. The twelve was won by Leone Low and the three by Daniel Bellinger.

The following weekend Joe Hamm held his first barn show where there were lots of poets in the winning entries. Joe took the historic single and vase of three stems with 'Marseillaise' 9W-YYO 1915. This cultivar was also in his Purple Ribbon along with 'Yeats' 9W-GOO, 'Minuet' 9W-R 1923, 'Starlet' 9W-GYR and 'Sonata' 9W-GYR 1910. 'Proxy' 9W-GYR was a winner for the Small Grower and Tag won the White Ribbon with three stems. 'Starlet' (Evans) was one of five in the Red, White Blue winner by Joe.

There were a total of twenty different standard cultivars and eighteen miniature seedlings and one named miniature cultivar in winning entries in these three shows. This certainly was the year of the poet!

The RHS at present has just concluded (April 30) a survey regarding the future requirements for Division 9. There were two options to vote for:

Option 1. Characteristics of the *N. poeticus* group clearly evident: usually one flower to a stem; perianth segments pure white; corona

very short or disc-shaped, usually with a green and/or yellow centre and a red or orange rim, but sometimes entirely red or orange; flowers usually fragrant.

Option 2. Characteristics of the *N. poeticus* group clearly evident; usually one flower to a stem; perianth segments pure white; corona very short or disc-shaped, not more than one-fifth the length of the perianth segments; usually with a green and/or yellow centre and a red rim, but sometimes of other colors; anthers usually set at two distinct levels; flowers usually fragrant.

Maybe if Option 2 passes one will not hear "They all look alike" as frequently!

(Editor's Note: In reference to the new definition for poeticus, we still have not received the RHS's decision on this matter).



Proxy 9W-GYR

CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 8, 2012

Dear fellow CODS Members,
We met today at The Crown Plaza which will be the site of the 2013 ADS Convention; Friday April 11 to Sunday April 14. This is a departure from previous Conventions we have had as we can get better hotel rates using Sunday night. The Secretary's report was approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved. We have 202.40 in the checking account and 2702.96 in the Savings account. One check was written for \$15 for dues to Garden Club of Ohio, \$15.

A bill from Naomi Liggett was submitted for Schedules for the show we had to cancel.

As there was a question as to amount Naomi received a check for \$28.26 there may be additional funds owed.

Margaret Baird moved; seconded by Avalee McCoy that the slate of officers be approved. Betty Kealiher, President, Naomi Liggett, Vice President, and Phyllis Hess, Secretary/Treasurer.

Officers elected.

Betty named the following chairs:

Education; Naomi Liggett

Sunshine; Margaret Baird

Publications; Tag Bourne (pending her approval)

Membership; Avalee McCoy

Show Chairs; Betty Kealiher; Lynn Ladd (for National Show)

Ways and Means; Phyllis Hess

It was wonderful to have Margaret Baird; Avalee McCoy and Irene Moseley with us. Also our newest member; Jean Jankowski from Granville, Ohio.

If anyone is interested in a membership list I will be happy to e-mail them one. (I attached the list.)

Phyllis Hess moved; seconded by Margaret Baird that dues remain at \$5 per year for individuals and \$6 year for families. Motion Passed.

They are due and payable at this time. A check should be sent to; Phyllis Hess (if your name is not checked in the 2012 column you owe dues.) 3670 E Powell Rd., Lewis Center, OH 43035.

Plans for the Convention were discussed; no conclusions were reached as unfortunately Jill was out of town and could not attend.

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned.

Phyllis Hess
Secretary

FINAL REMINDER:

If you have not paid your 2012-2013 dues this will be your last newsletter. \$5 per member or family membership \$6.

Deadline for next CODS CORNER is April 1,, 2013.

With the ADS National Convention coming to town many hands are needed to pull this off, so please let Jill Griesse or Betty Kealiher know what you would like to do to help.

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