



CODS CORNER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a daffodil season! Spring in February and Winter in March. Our daffodils are really taking a beating. If you have as many flowers already ruined as I do, you may be wondering where we are going to get enough blooms for a decent show. Some buds are still low enough that we can hope they haven't been damaged by the freezing weather. Let's all try to make our show outstanding. Please give our show chairman your cooperation.

Don't forget to make notes on good daffodil performers and keep records of what was in bud when the weather was freezing and how it affected the blooms. We are having a very long season and tend to forget if climate, bud appearance, and quality of bloom are not recorded.

The March 8th meeting was well attended and most informative. Thanks to Mary Lou Gripshover's program on hybridizing, we will all be watching for possible crosses to make, dabbing pollen, and watching for seed pods. Thanks for an inspirational program, Mary Lou.

Don't forget the May 17th meeting. Try to get to as many shows as you can, visit each others' gardens to see the "dogs" that didn't make it to the show, and have a happy daffodil season.

Ruth Pardue, President

NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Friends, It was good seeing all of you last week, and I want to thank each of you for making me feel so welcome. Your hospitality was, as always, unexcelled. I enjoyed sharing some ideas on hybridizing with you and hope some of you will plant some seed this fall, and in five years have some beautiful seedlings.

Thanks again for making it such fun to come "home."

Fondly,
Mary Lou

Remember the CODS Show April 23-24, 1983, Upper Arlington Municipal Building. After-show party will be held at Ruth and Bill Pardue's at 7 p.m.

THE LATEST AND BEST: DIVISION 4 SHOW DOUBLES

--R. McMullan

Because of the limited number of classes available to the exhibitor coupled with a general reluctance by horticulturists to consider doubled flowers as natural, the number of doubled varieties of daffodils was limited. When I first took up this hobby I was not sure if I liked doubles, however I have come to accept and like them. I do not grow many but those I do must have good form as this is essential for a good show double. I list below varieties I have grown or have seen many times on the show bench.

'Acropolis' - well-rounded medium-size white and red, very consistent. Only problem is a tendency to late flowering and occasional small flowers.

'Fiji' - good consistent, round all-yellow double.

'Gay Challenger' - large white and orange - good form when seen on the bench but may lack consistency as it is seen only occasionally and is still pricey.

'Hawaii' - good-size yellow and red. Generally consistent, sometimes lacks petal in the centre and fades when ageing.

'Manly' - large pale yellow with deep orangey-yellow centre. Has been seen more often on the show bench and winning prizes recently.

'Papua' - well-rounded all-yellow, good form when well grown, on occasions has a good centre.

'Tahiti' - lovely yellow and red, consistent and probably the best of this colour range.

'Tonga' - similar to 'Tahiti' but not as consistent and a little smaller.

'Unique' - the flower which won more awards over the last three years than any other double. A beautiful white and yellow with great size and form.

Some of the older varieties such as 'Candida' (white/primrose), 'Double Event' (white/yellow), 'Gay Time' (white/red), 'White Lion' (white/yellow) may be seen but do not have the form to compete with the above. Of the new varieties 'Gay Song' (white), 'Gay Kybo' (cream/orange), 'Tamar Fire' (red/yellow), 'Pere Ferrers' (white/orange), 'Smokey Bear' (orange/red) appear to have a future and will be seen more often on the bench. Some nice pink doubles are coming on the scene but are still very pricey and they have not been exhibited in any number to be included in my list. If I was limited to four varieties I would pick 'Acropolis' and 'Unique' for white ground varieties and 'Tahiti' and 'Papua' for yellow varieties.

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CODS NOMINATIONS FOR 1983-84 OFFICERS. (Election and Installation May 17, 1983.)

President - Naomi Liggett

Secretary - Mary Edwards

Vice-President - Donna Dietsch

Treasurer - Vanessa Quiones

Nominating Committee members are Marilyn Fitch, Sharon Decker, and Lura Emig. We wish to thank them for their efforts. Nominations from the floor will also be accented at the Annual Meeting.

PawPaw labels are much better if you put shellac on them. Mark on the back with indelible ink.

WAYS AND MEANS NOTESREASONABLY-PRICED FERTILIZERS

I have an interesting list of fertilizers that can be purchased at the Derby Landmark, 11897 London Road, Derby, Ohio (south of Columbus). (TEL: 877-3495). DIRECTIONS: Take I-71 south to the Harrisburg-Orient exit. Continue south 5-6 miles on 30 highway until you come to a Union 76 gasoline station on the left side of the road. Turn left at this corner and continue past the railroad tracks to Landmark. HOURS: M-F 9-5, Sat. 8-12, beginning April 2.

	REG.	Special*
Lawn Fertilizer: Lawn Pep + Dactyl for Crabgrass Control 33 1/3 lbs 20-5-7 Covers 7500 sq. ft. (Apply 1st application now)	\$18.95	\$17.00
Lawn Fertilizer: Weed & Feed (2nd Application) 21-10-6 Covers 7500 sq. ft. (33 1/3 lbs.)	\$19.95	\$18.00
Plant Pep - 25 lbs. 6-12-12	\$5.99	\$5.50
Fert-O-Fels - 25 lbs. 14-14-14	\$5.65	--
Bean Bounty - 50 lbs. 6-24-24	\$6.30	--
Benlate - 2 lbs. 50% Active Ingredients	\$24.75	--
Superphosphate - 0-44-0 Approx. price 10¢/lb. (bring own container) Call and check price.		

* Special prices applicable only if 20 bags are purchased at one time.

NEED "COMMON" BULBS

If you are digging the more common varieties this year such as Mount Hood, Spellbinder, King Alfred, etc., bring them to me for sale instead of giving them away. I have requests for them "by the bushel." Your donations will mean money for our society.

--Cecile A. Spitz
Ways and Means Chairman

WHETSTONE PARK DISPLAY GARDEN

There was practically nothing in the high-bud stage when the March 20th freeze hit, so the bloom should not have been affected by the cold weather.

Labels will be put out the week of April 11. Anyone able to help with this project, please call Ruth Fardue to schedule the time. Would everyone please try to get to the garden at least twice during April and May and weed for 2-3 hours. "Killer-Canes" used on the grassy-area dandelions count.

Please reserve the following dates in June for digging: June 18, 20, 22, and 25. We will be digging beds 14, 15, 8, 2, and maybe 3.

AFTER-THE-SHOW PARTY

The annual celebration after the COPS Show will be held April 23rd at the Fardues', 2591 Henthorne. We will have cocktails at 7 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:45 p.m. A non-refundable payment of \$3.50 per person must be made by April 21, Noon to Ruth Fardue. (No exceptions.)

If anyone would like to assist the host and hostess, please let Ruth know (486-2775 by April 19th. See you there!

With the many new members CODS has, I thought it might be a good idea to instruct those people on how to fill out our entry tag. Correct completion of show entry tags is essential to an accurate count of exhibitors, number of entries and awards given. CODS Entries Chairman is responsible for filling out show report forms for ADS and correct information on entry tags will make their job on show day go much easier.

Please complete your entry tag like the example shown below. It is important that the information called for by the lower portion of the card be completed. After judging is finished, this portion of the entry tag is collected by the Entries Committee, all are tabulated, and this is what produces the official record of our show.



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SOCIETY

SECTION A

RHS DIV &
COLOR CODE

CLASS 1

1Y-Y

VARIETY ARCTIC GOLD

SECTION A - Single stem entry

CLASS 1 - Colored perianth, trumpet yellow, orange, red

RHS DIV. & - This is a short version of the COLOR CODE information on the line above. It is a Trumpet (Div. 1) and the color code is Y-Y (Yellow perianth & trumpet)

VARIETY (CULTIVAR) - The name of the daffodil you are entering

NAME Mrs. Hubert Bourne
ADDRESS 1052 Shadyhill Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43221

NAME/ADDRESS - You may write this information in, you may type it, use a rubber name stamp or gummed address labels.

1st	2nd	3rd	Honorable
X	0	0	0
AWARD	AWARD	AWARD	Mention

The daffodil judges indicate their decision on the entry by placing a "X" in the appropriate box. The clerk punches a hole through the marked box. After completion of judging of the entire show, the lower portion of each entry tag is collected by Entries.

1st	2nd	3rd	Honorable
0	0	0	0
AWARD	AWARD	AWARD	Mention

COMPLETE THIS SECTION OF YOUR TAG ALSO. After you fill out the bottom portion of your tag, fold it upward, inserting the corner into the cut in the upper portion so it will lock into place. Place a rubber band in the hole at top and slip the tag over the test tube and place in block. Your entry is now ready to be placed on the show table. All that should be visible is the Section, Class, RHS Division and Cultivar Name.

SECTION A DIV. & C/C 1Y-Y
CLASS 1
VARIETY ARCTIC GOLD
NAME Mrs. Hubert Bourne
ADDRESS 1052 Shadyhill Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43221

NOVICES: Anyone who has never won blue ribbon in an ADS show... place visible "N" on top portion of entry tag.

The theme of our show which will be held on April 23-24 will be "Nature and Narcissus." The Ohio Branch of Sogetsu School of Flower Arranging will have an exhibit in the concourse area, and the daffodils will be in the lower level. Grooming and the exhibitors' luncheon will also be in the lower level. Set-up will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, 22nd and much help is needed to stage the show. The tubes, etc. will be taken over on Thursday night, so plan to pick up your supply at my house (1052 Shadyhill Drive) on Monday and Tuesday evenings, April 18-19 during evening hours. If you can help supply Taxus, bring it on Friday when we set-up or early on Saturday morning. Any daffodils you might have that are not suitable for showing, please bring for the Sogetsu group to use in some of their arrangements.

Everyone is again asked to bring something to the Pot-luck luncheon to be held at 11:00 A. M. on the 23rd. If you have any questions, please call.

As you know, we are working in conjunction with the Art Commission on this show. Due to the fact they would not have an opportunity to pass on the artwork of CODS members, we cannot place art works on the wall. However, we will have a LOCKED glass case where we can display some of our artifacts ... jewelry, plates, small pictures on stands, any needlework, in other words, any daffodil-oriented collection items. Please try and participate in this.

TEAR DOWN AT 5:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY ALL MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO HELP!

Tag Bourne, Show Chairman

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If you are interested in sending a combined order, saving postage and possibly receiving a discount on daffodils, see below:

John Lea - No discount - send order and payment directly to John Lea and request that it be sent with Grace Baird's order. Postage charges to be paid to Grace upon arrival.
 Rathowen - send check to Tag Bourne by April 25th. No discount.
 Abel Smith - no discount.
 Carncairn - 1/3 discount - Cecile Spitz will handle both of these. Send your check made out to Cecile.
 Mitsch (Havens) - 25% discount on order of over \$250.00 for group. No net bulbs.
 Naomi Liggett will handle and check made out to Naomi must be in her hands by April 25th.

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NEW MEMBERS:

A warm welcome to two new members:

Ms. Phyllis Hess, 3670 E. Powell Rd., Westerville, Ohio 43081
 Ms. Kathryn Culbertson, 3693 E. Powell Road, Westerville, Ohio 43081

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TO SHOW OR NOT TO SHOW

Participating in shows can prove tremendously instructive ... if you are not a regular exhibitor, and especially if you are new to the growing and showing of daffodils, make this the year to enter your flowers in competition. Show preparations are always hectic, but there will always be someone there willing to take the time to see that a novice exhibitor gets started on the right foot. Only bring blooms of daffodils whose names you know. Make sure the blooms you bring are clean. Even their backsides this can easily be done with a Q-tip. See you on Friday, April 22nd for set up and any questions can be answered then.