

WEEKLY UPDATE #22 – AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

It may be a bumpy week ahead for cart drivers. Large tarred sections of the Rhododendron Walk and part of the path next to the Giant sequoias have been removed for repaving.

As the hot weather continues, look for pooling water on the paths. This may be a signal that you and your tour group may soon be soaked by a sprinkler!

NOTED ON FRIDAY 25TH AUGUST, 2017

- In the Sino-Himalayan Garden, not far from the weeping Ginkgo, around the corner from the real 'Giant Rhubarb' (Not a Gunnera) there is a colourful Spindle tree *Euonymus planipes*.
- At the top of the Rhododendron Walk, there are many blooming fragrant hostas.
- Orange black and gold Rudbeckias, bordering the Autumn Stroll and elsewhere, hint at the colours of the falling leaves due in the next few weeks.
- The path through the Camellia bed, below the Korean Pavilion, has many flowering Hibiscus.
- At the top of the 'Wedding beds', by Heron Lake, the pink and white candy-floss cones of the PeeGee hydrangea *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Renhy' Vanille Fraise are at their best.
- The Red maple on the Autumn stroll, *Acer rubrum* 'October Glory' is showing a substantial amount of red.
- The Golden Whitebeam, *Sorbus aria* 'Aurea', is a bright contrast to the nearby candelabra Western red cedar.
- The Hybrid Bladder Senna, *Colutea x media*, near the top of the path above the Black Garden, on the Laburnum Walk side, is fully inflated.

SOCIAL SUNDAYS AT VANDUSEN IN AUGUST¹

Free with Garden admission. Sunday afternoons - 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM on the Great Lawn.

August 27: Day Trippers

- The Day Trippers (60s and 70s) are a Vancouver based Beatles tribute band that transport you back to the touring days of the early 1960s.

During Patti Buchanan's absence, please send any comments, suggestions for future "Weekly Update" topics, questions etc. to: malcolmjhunter@hotmail.co.uk

¹ <http://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/vandusen-social-sundays.aspx>