

WEEKLY UPDATE #23 – SEPTEMBER 3 – SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

The tarmac repairs seem to be finished for now, so carts should have smoother ride this week. Opening hours at VanDusen Garden changed to 10 am–6 pm at the start of September. At Bloedel Conservatory, they changed to 10 am – 5 pm.

RESTRICTED GARDEN AREAS – NOTICE ISSUED

“Walking Guides and Cart Drivers are reminded that rentals for private functions/movie shoots/weddings/car shows/etc. remove areas from access by guides and other paying visitors. The information counter gets weekly lists of the out-of-bounds areas. The main pathways are not rented; only the lawn areas.”

NOTED ON FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 2017

- Two Red maples over Cypress Pond are showing their seasonal red.
- Autumn lilies, *Hosta plantaginea*, at the top of the Rhododendron Walk, remain fragrant.
- The cones of the Southern Hemisphere Garden female Monkey puzzle are now brown.
- Above the Stone Garden, the ‘Tree of heaven’, *Ailanthus altissima*, is in bloom.
- Green berries of the Arisaemas, Cobra Lilies etc, are swelling before they change colour.
- Pink and white cyclamens are blooming on the pond side of the Woodland Garden.
- The lantern pods of the Goldenrain trees, *Koeleruteria paniculata*, are becoming yellow.
- The Heather Garden is a pretty patchwork of varying shades of pastel colours.

GUIDE EVENTS

Garden Walk with Bruce McD. Thursday September 7th, 10 am, on Plaza.

VANCOUVER DAHLIA SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW

Saturday 2nd September (1 – 5 pm), Sunday 3rd September (12 – 3:30 pm)

Location: Floral Hall and Cedar Room - Admission by donation.

Contact Betty Girard at 604-431-5611 or Email vdsmembership@telus.net

POINT GREY CHRYSANTHEMUM ASSOCIATION EARLY CHRYSANTHEMUM SALE

Saturday September 9th and Sunday September 10th (12 - 4 pm each day)

Location: Floral Hall - Free admission. Contact Marie for information at 604-261-9219

LUXURY AND SUPERCAR WEEKEND

Saturday September 9th and Sunday September 10th (11 am – 5 pm each day)

Location: Great Lawn. Note Special pricing applies to access this event.

The rest of the Garden will be open as usual.

Please send any comments about this issue to malcolmjhunter@hotmail.co.uk

Patti will return next week, please send any suggestions for future "Weekly Update" topics, questions etc. To her at: pkbuchanan@shaw.ca