## Meetings

Join us on the third Monday of the month, March to November, at St. Stephen's Parish Community Centre in Chester. Meetings start at 7PM, followed by a short refreshment, meet & greet and interesting program.

Please drop into a few meetings and considering becoming one of our members.

#### About Our Club

Chester Garden Club is a not-for-profit organization made up of a group of volunteers in the Chester area who are interested in gardening-related activities, both horticulture and design.

We are a member of the Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs.



# Membership

Membership in the club is open to anyone with an interest in gardening, on payment of the club's \$20/year annual dues.

New members are always welcome to join .

# Become a member of the Chester Garden Club!

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## Our Activities and Responsibilities

The aims of this club are:

- to stimulate knowledge and love of gardening; and
- to encourage and aid the beautification of Chester through horticulture.

We are very much a learning club. Many of our members start with very little knowledge and benefit from members who have decades of experience — or have commercial gardening businesses.



**MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE** 

For further information, check out our **Facebook** page or our website, **chestergardenclub.ca**.

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## **OUR PUBLIC GARDENS**

The Club is responsible for maintaining two public green spaces in Chester. One is the Parade Square, which is owned by the municipality, and the other is the Cove Garden, which is owned by the club itself.

Both areas require planting, pruning and weeding, which is done by volunteers from the club as part of the members' commitment to Chester.

Members volunteer their time and make it a fun time by catching up on neighbourly news and gathering at a nearby house for refreshments once the job is done.





#### **GARDENER'S SALE**

A sure sign of Spring is the our club's annual May fund-raising sale. Buyers enjoy finding special treasures at this sale, which features a wide variety of perennials from members' gardens along with many plants and accessories for the garden that are brought in by commercial dealers. Surprise items like free mulch or "gently used" garden tools are occasionally on offer.

### **JULY FLOWER SHOW & TEA**

Our annual Flower Show and Tea event in July is a popular hit for residents and summer visitors alike. Over 200 people enjoy sipping tea surrounded by innovative designs and plant exhibits.



#### **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

From time to time the club has formed partnerships with other ecologically oriented groups to work on specific projects, and every year members help to decorate the village bandstand for Christmas.



We arrange garden visits throughout the summer and have a social at a member's garden in August. Our Christmas social is at a member's house. In addition we arrange tours of interest to beginning and expert gardeners.







