

THE DAHLIA DIRT



The Newsletter of the Monterey Bay Dahlia Society

October 2015

Next Meeting:

Friday, October 9 at Simpkins Center

7:00 Pot Luck Dinner

7:30 Meeting Begins



From the Vice Prez

Santa Cruz County Fair Dahlia Show

The dahlias exhibited at this year's Santa Cruz County Fair were the best quality we have seen at the fair in several years. Thirteen exhibitors entered over 250 entries which made it the biggest show in many years. MBDS sponsored the prize money, awarding \$269 between all the exhibitors. The show had 40 classes, which is planned to expand to at least 48 next year. Entry is open to any dahlia grower in the county. It is a great way to participate in the fair and to show your flowers to a very large number of people who visit the fair.

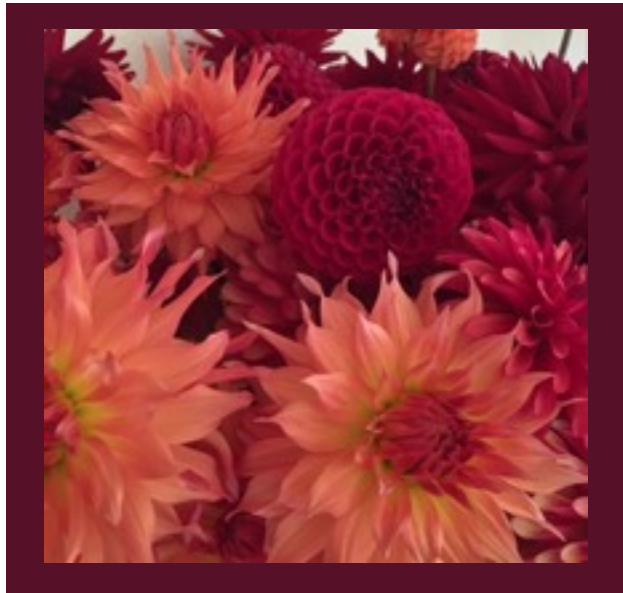


Best In Show - Single Bloom	Iris Wallace	Hollyhill Geisha
Best In Show - Multiple Bloom	Kristine Albrecht	Alberta Sunset
Best in Show Novice - Single Bloom	Danny & Drew Lazzarini	Rose Toscano
Best in Show Novice - Multiple Bloom	Tom Starkey	AC Riley
Open Dahlia Sweepstakes	Iris Wallace	
Novice Dahlia Sweepstakes	Danny & Drew Lazzarini	

Dean's Birthday



Minutes



Minutes from MBDS Meeting on September 11, 2015

Meeting began at 7:35. Welcome new member Verna. She inherited tubers in June and went to the annual show. Also welcome new-ish members Marco and Sonia, here for their second meeting.

Minutes: All in favor approved.

Membership: All membership fees are due in November. MBDS (local) is \$10, ADS (national) is \$24 , total of \$34 for both. This year an invoice will be mailed out to national members who are not prompt with their payment in November.

Treasurer's report: We continue to be in good standing and all expenses are in from the annual show. Bloom sales helped to cover costs, we got close to matching last year's sales. Some of the expenditures are investments in items that will be used for future shows- signs, floor lamps, etc.

Dahlia Dine Around: Our Dine-Around is coming up September 26th from 11am-5:30pm. We will visit the gardens of Lena and Randy Marsden, Kevin and Karen, and Debbie and Paul Russell. Directions and more information will be emailed out.

Tuber Raffle Winners: These lucky winners will receive their tubers next spring. Olivia Maureen: Katie, Linda & Yoshie. Ova-Jo: Verna & John. Rock Run John: Dean & Tim.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Maia Pedemonte

Tuber Purchase Program

October Tuber Raffle

In October we will raffle off 2 new 2015 Cultivars: Sandia Sunbonnet a yellow Colarette. and Sandia Suncatcher a laciniated and variegated B size yellow and red bloom. The third tuber will be for Tahoma Lilac Time from 2014 and is a laciniated pink bloom.

A reminder that most of these new cultivars will be distributed as we dig them up this fall/winter. Some will be handed out in the spring as cuttings.

Feedback wanted:

Would you like to continue this program in 2016?

Have you seen any new 2016 introductions you'd like the society to purchase?

Changes?

Please email Iris with any comments or questions at iris@cruzio.com

Thanks!



Sandia Sunbonnet 8202 Collarette



Sandia Suncatcher 2514

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