



# Manitoba Lily Connection

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## President's Message

As our hours of daylight become shorter and temperatures eventually cooler, today's forecast (Sept 3) being 32C (normal is 22.1 and 9.1) this is perhaps an opportune time to think about the upcoming annual bulb sales in Brandon, Dauphin and Winnipeg. What about reflecting on possible new additions, replacements and perhaps adding complementary colours or varieties to existing beds or designs?

Our bulb chair and associates have been busy at selecting a wide diversity of bulbs from the asiatic, martagon, trumpet and interdivisional groups along with the odd species selection and even many heritage and historic types from Frank Skinner, Bert Porter, Ed Robinson and Wilbert Ronald. Hopefully there will be some treasures for most of our members and public to consider, contemplate and participate in a purchase or two.

On another note one of my personal lily breeding goals is the extension of the lily blooming season. Some of the earliest blooming lilies include *L. pumilum* and the asiatic Early Bird, however both seemed to be short lived in my trials. There are a few hybrids that need to be lined out for increase, observation and evaluation, one example being an early asiatic hybrid which has been around for 14 years. In searching for a late bloomer, August Gold comes to mind but my bulb did not last that long. Hybrids of *L. henryi* and *L. rosthornii* are potential candidates for extending the lily season and several crosses are showing some promise.

Ed Czarnecki



THE 2015 AWARDS POTLUCK WINDUP HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF MEMBERSHIP INTEREST

## 2015 BULB SALES

WINNIPEG - Assiniboine Park Conservatory  
September 26th

Brandon - Central Community Centre  
October 3rd

Dauphin - Market Place Mall  
October 10th

All Sales 9 AM to 4 PM

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## Research Report

A research site to test whether *Tetrastichus sertifer*, a parasitic wasp of the scarlet lily leaf beetle *Lilioceris lili*, is able to overwinter in Manitoba was established this year at a dairy farm about 10 km north of Winnipeg. It is located at the edge of a commercially cultivated field that is seeded annually to a cereal or oilseed crop, and is not in an area with high beetle infestations. The site is enclosed by a 1.3 m high commercial chicken-wire fence and with a metal wire attached to stakes at a height of 2 m to prevent damage to the lilies by deer or rabbits.

Forty Asiatic lilies and 7 Martagons initially were transplanted into the site in late June. The site was later expanded to accommodate at least 90 plants. Included among the lilies are varieties known to be susceptible to the lily beetle and selections with possible tolerance or non-preference to feeding damage. Additional bulbs will be planted in the fall and/or spring to increase the lily population. The site could further be expanded in the spring, depending on the opportunity to test more varieties or the need to increase the lily beetle infestation based on the number of *T. sertifer* available for introduction.

No lily beetles adults or beetle damage from summer generation adults were found on plants at the site. Adult lily beetles will be collected in the spring as they emerge and then added to the site. The staff at Assiniboine Park have agreed to provide beetles from their collections, and sites throughout Winnipeg with known high beetle populations also will be inspected.

Ian Wise and Ed Czarnecki

**THE MRLS NEEDS YOU!**  
**Volunteers are needed for our Winnipeg and Brandon bulb sales.**  
**In Winnipeg contact Thelma at [eczarnecki@shaw.ca](mailto:eczarnecki@shaw.ca) 889-5730**  
**In Brandon contact Deborah at [petrie@mymts.net](mailto:petrie@mymts.net) 721-0297**

### OBITUARY

#### PILOT OFFICER IRENE ELIZABETH (BETTY) HYLAND

On Tuesday, July 21, 2015, Betty passed away at the age of 85. She was born in London, England where she helped her family run a successful newsagent and tobacconist business. Dealing with the many people that came into the shop from all over the world kindled a lifelong interest in languages. She was also a flying enthusiast and became a Pilot Officer in the R.A.F. Betty enjoyed cycling all over London and the surrounding countryside. She married Xande "because he was the only boy who could keep up with me on a bike." Xande and Betty began their life in Canada as newlyweds. Betty worked at various office jobs until her retirement from the Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions (OSFI). She then returned to her newspaper roots, taking up a paper route to keep herself active. Betty was an active volunteer, supporting her children's interests (Girl Guides, Pop Warner) and her own (St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Manitoba Crafts Guild, Western Canada Aviation Museum, Manitoba Herb Society, the Manitoba Lily Society, the Can-West Iris Society, and many others). At the 1967 Pan Am Games, she worked as a translator and a tennis official. Betty was an avid reader. She corresponded with authors and encouraged their efforts, at first by letter and later via email and Facebook. We were all kept in hand-knitted sweaters and socks on a steady basis. She baked her own bread and her chocolate cake was the best ever. Her cats were her constant companions and her garden brought her joy. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, her friends and acquaintances will long remember her cheerful spirit and practical nature. On Betty's most recent visit to England, she had the chance to fly in a Chipmunk and did barrel rolls and loop-de-loops to her heart's delight. When she came down she was grinning from ear to ear. In memory of Betty's philosophy of life; follow your dreams no matter what people say; do something you love till you are good at it; read every day, plant something, and hug someone.

#### Excerpt from the Free Press

Irene was always available when you needed her to help out with bulb sales. I spent many a spare moment behind the bulk bulb sale table being regaled by her stories of her flying exploits and life's adventure. Her wit and practical nature made her a joy to work with. She will be missed.

Deborah Petrie

## MRLS 2015 SHOW RESULTS

AWARD	Winner	Entry
<b>Criddle Award</b>		No entry
<i>Best stem of a Cultivated Lily Species</i>		
<b>Barrie Strohman Award</b>	John Rempel	Eastern Morn
<i>Best Stem in the Show</i>		
<b>Reg Gallop Award</b>		No entry
<i>Best Martagon seedling hybridized and grown by exhibitor</i>		
<b>Lillian Luky Award</b>	John Rempel	Eastern Morn
<i>Best Stem in Show developed by a Prairie Breeder</i>		
<b>Ed Robinson Award</b>		No Entry
<i>Best Martagon in the Show</i>		
<b>William Silversides Award</b>	Valerie Denesiuk	Marseille
<i>Best named Asiatic Lily in the Show</i>		
<b>Dr. F.L. Skinner Award</b>	John Rempel	Annacondax x Gold Eagle
<i>Best Stem grown from Seed and exhibited by the Breeder</i>		
<b>Thomas &amp; Lynn Smith Award</b>	John Rempel	Eastern Morn
<i>Best Trumpet/Aurelian in the Show</i>		
<b>Jean Ericksen Award</b>	John Rempel	Easter Morn
<i>Best Interspecific Hybrid (Div VIII) in ths Show (Excluding L.A.)</i>		
<b>Gordon Danzinger Award</b>		No entry
<i>Best L.A. Hybrid from Division VIII</i>		
<b>Junior Design Award</b>		No entry
<i>Best Design in Section J</i>		
<b>Design Award</b>	Deborah Petrie	Fan Appreciation
<i>Best Design in Section K</i>		
<i>Number of Designs - 9</i>		
<i>Number of Stems in Show - 27</i>		
<i>Number of Exhibitors - 11</i>		



**Best Design in Show  
Fan Appreciation  
Deborah Petrie**



**William Silversides  
Award  
Marseille  
Valerie Denesiuk**



## 2015 FALL BULB SALES

This year's bulb sales are featuring many seldom offered and hard to get heritage and historic lilies as well as difficult to find varieties that we all know and love. One of those well-loved historic cultivars is Red Velvet. Hybridized by Stone and Payne and introduced in 1964 this lily was a personal favorite of the late Barrie Strohman of the Lily Nook. Red Velvet has deep velvety black-red flowers, and stands between 3 and 5 feet tall. It is a robust triploid that has earned its place in the North American Lily Society's *Hall of Fame*.

**Red Velvet**



**Isis**



We are also featuring Heritage lilies from the hybridizing program of Dr. F.L. Skinner. The following seldom seen cultivars are being offered this year, Maxwell – 1928, Lemon Lady – 1951 and Prairie Harlequin – 1954. Isis is from the hybridizing program of Dr. A.J. Porter, and is also a part of the genius lily's illustrious past. All these tried and true garden lilies and new varieties as well will be offered this year at our three sales.

Winnipeg Bulb Sale - September 26<sup>th</sup> at the Assiniboine Park Conservatory.

Brandon Bulb Sale - October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Central Community Centre.

Dauphin Bulb Sale - October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Market Place Mall.

ALL SALES 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Instructions for mail-order purchases and the complete bulb sale list are included with this newsletter.

## **NEW THIS YEAR**

**Purple Life**



**Beau Soleil**



**Santini**



## MRLS Mail-order Bulb List

<b>Asiatics</b>	<b>Price</b>
Chocolate Canary	\$6.00
Fata Morgana	\$5.00
Isis	\$7.00
Mapira	\$6.00
Morden Butterfly	\$6.00
Navona	\$5.00
Night Flyer	\$7.00
Peach Butterflies	\$7.00
Pink Champagne	\$7.00
Prairie Harlequin	\$7.00
Purple Life	\$7.00
Robinson's Comet	\$7.00
Rusty	\$7.00
Starbust	\$6.00
Thesire	\$6.00
Trogon	\$6.00
<b>P&amp;B</b>	
Burning Joy	\$5.00
Delicate Joy	\$5.00
Dreaming Joy	\$5.00
Nova Joy	\$5.00
Partner	\$7.00
Tiny Double You	\$5.00
<b>LA</b>	
Beau Soleil	\$6.00
Courier	\$6.00
Eyelinor	\$6.00
Forza Red	\$6.00
Golden Stone	\$6.00
Party Diamond	\$6.00
Riverside	\$6.00
Royal Sunset	\$6.00
<b>Tet's</b>	
Nutcracker	\$5.00
Pearl Justine	\$7.00
Pearl Carolina	\$7.00
Pearl Loraine	\$7.00
Pearl Melanie	\$7.00
Red Velvert	\$7.00

<b>OA</b>	<b>Price</b>
Kaveri	\$10.00
<b>LO</b>	
Nuance	\$10.00
Prince Promise	\$10.00
<b>OT</b>	
Big Brother	\$9.00
Northern Carillon	\$9.00
Northern Dazzle	\$9.00
Northern Delight	\$9.00
Pink Palace	\$9.00
Santini	\$9.00
Sensi	\$9.00
<b>Unique interdivisionals</b>	
Easter Morn	\$10.00
Evening Glow	\$10.00
Lankon	\$10.00
<b>Trumpets</b>	
Griesbach Pink Tet	\$9.00
Griesbach Apricot PicoteeTet	\$9.00
Pink Perfection	\$8.00
Golden Splendor	\$8.00
<b>Asiapets</b>	
Golden Belles	\$7.00
Silky Belles	\$7.00
<b>Species and Species X</b>	
Henryi select	\$9.00
Longiflorum x henryi	\$9.00
Maxwill	\$8.00
Tsingense	\$25.00
<b>Martagons</b>	
Dalhansoni	\$15.00
Gaybird	\$25.00
Redpath	\$25.00
Sweet Betsy	\$25.00

VIEW PICTURES ONLINE AT  
[www.mrlsfallbulbsales.weebly.com](http://www.mrlsfallbulbsales.weebly.com)

## MRLS Mail-order Information Sheet

For the first time ever The Manitoba Regional Lily Society is making the complete fall bulb sale list available to all members by mail-order.

There will be promotional pricing available at all three bulb sale locations on select varieties but for those unable to attend in person, mail-order is for you. Quantities on all bulbs are limited so order early.

Orders must be received by Friday September 19th, 2015 and payment for *all* orders must accompany each order.

Shipping charges:

Manitoba orders - \$12.00

All other provinces - \$15.00

We do not ship to the US or other international locations. All orders are subject to availability and substitutions may be made with permission. We accept cheques, money orders and electronic etransfers.

How to order: Make all cheques payable to the MRLS.

Place your order by email or phone to Gwen Jamieson at [bowhill21@shaw.ca](mailto:bowhill21@shaw.ca), 204-888-2150. Once confirmation of your order is received then simply mail the order form and payment (including shipping charges) to Gwen Jamieson at the address below.

MRLS c/o Gwen Jamieson

21 Bowhill Lane

Winnipeg, MB R3R 0J4

\*If you wish to pay by electronic etransfer please email your order to: [petrie@mymts.net](mailto:petrie@mymts.net) and await further instructions.

## LILY DAZE AT THE NOOK

The Lily Nook had approximately two thousand five hundred visitors from all across Canada and the USA, during our Lily Daze week in July. The Lily Show had thirty one stems and four arrangements that were judged by Barbara-Jean Jackson and myself. The Lily Nook also had a display of thirty stems.

### Prize winners:

Ted Walker – Best LA Hybrid and Best Stem in the Show with ‘Royal Sunset’

Ted Walker – Best Asiatic in the Show with ‘ Strawberry and Cream’

Declan Smith – Best Design in Section J ‘The Lilies of the Field’

Glenda MacPhee – Best Design in Section K ‘Lily Volunteers’

The Lily Nook plans to add more activities and entertainment for 2016 and looks forward to the combined MRLS and Lily Daze show to be held at the Lily Nook in 2016.

Nigel Strohman