

Meeting Notice

July 23, 2019

Eastman Memorial Rose Garden
5th and Grant St
Hillsboro, OR

*** 7:00 p.m. Meeting***

Agenda

Group Prune

President's Message

Hello to all.

Wow and wow. July is already half over. For me it seems that this season is flying by. Mentally it should still be June but the calendar tells me I am fooling myself. The rose's growth also tell me this. I am still behind and clearing the beds but the roses keep growing. I just love the colors they bring to my life.

Ok. So this month we are meeting in the Eastman Garden to do a group prune before the meeting. Yeah I know, work before the meeting is a slight pain but when we meet we feel good about what we just did and the way the garden looks.

Now to business. We have the Elephant Garlic Festival coming up. We are covering the beer garden on the 11th of August. We need to cover from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. so look at your schedules and see when you can cover. I will be there all day but we need at least three (3) total for each two hour shift. BUT...we would really like to have at least four (4) per shift from 12:00 to 6:00. The fourth person would be a floater to give potty breaks or get water or whatever. So

PLEASE review whether or not you can help. So next item. August is our annual picnic and raffle. Right now we do not have a location nor date/time. So be thinking on this.

Well this is all for now. I am hoping all of you are enjoying your roses and other plants that are alive and well and making you wonder how to take care of it all.

Thank you and I hope to see you in the Eastman Garden.

Hambie

Treat List

July	July
October	
November	

Coming Events

June 25	Meeting in the park
July 23	Meeting in the Park
August 11	Elephant Garlic Festival
August ?	Annual Picnic
September 6	Rose Show Set-up
September 7	Annual Rose Show
September 8	Rose Show Take Down
October 22	Annual Business Meeting

Remaining Area Rose Shows

The three remaining area rose shows are:

Portland All Miniature

at Pittock Mansion, August 3, 2019

Tualatin Valley Rose Show

at Cedar Hills Crossing, September 7, 8 2019

Portland Fall Rose Show

at Lloyd Center, September 14. 15 2019

Garden Maintenance Schedule

July 21 – 27	Group prune on 23 rd		
July 28 – Aug 3	Kim		
Aug 4 – 10	Hambie		
Aug 11 – 17	Kim	Chris	
Aug 18 – 24	Judy	Bev	
Aug 25 – 31	Group prune on 27 th		
Sep 1 – 7	Judy		
Sep 8 – 14	Bev		
Sep 15 – 21	Kim	Chris	
Sep 22 – 28			
Sep 29 – Oct 5	Judy	Bev	
Oct 6 – 12			
Oct 13 – 19	Kim	Chris	
Oct 20 – 26	Hambie		
Oct 27 – Nov 2	Kim	Chris	

As If We Didn't Have Enough To Worry About

Last week we had a visit from a representative of the Oregon Department of Agriculture who requested permission to place a trap in our roses to check for the presence of Japanese beetles. He told us that these insects have a fondness for roses. The trap will be checked monthly and we will be advised at the end of the normal growing season. Of course we are hoping for a negative report.

“The Japanese beetle (*Popillia Japonica*) is a serious invasive insect pest that threatens Oregon and the western US. Japanese beetle adults feed on flowers, fruits, and foliage of more than 300 species of ornamental and agricultural plants, including roses, blueberries, and grape vines. The larvae (grubs) attack roots of turf grass and other plants. Both adults and grubs cause significant damage in the eastern US. Oregon has a quarantine that regulates the import of plants from infested states. This quarantine helps to keep Japanese beetles from entering the state.” *Reprinted from the Oregon Department of Agriculture pamphlet “Japanese Beetle.”*

Japanese beetles are extremely devastating in both the adult and larvae stages. The female beetle lays her eggs in the soil and when hatched the grubs appear. The grubs feed on the roots of turf grass and the ornamental shrubs, which creates double jeopardy for roses. When the insects mature they dine on the leaves and flowers of shrubs, vegetables, fruits, and trees. They have a great fondness for roses which causes a great concern for rosarians.

Let's all hope that we don't get a large infestation in our area.

THE SKEPTICAL ROSARIAN

This Summer is nothing I remember in my entire life, short as that has been. Ever since I was old enough to pick berries to buy my school cloths I remember May being fantastic weather, teasing us during our last month of school. Then June brings us strawberry season and alternating rain and sun, mud up to our elbows one day and baked clay covering us the next for the entire month. The 4th of July arrives with clear weather for the end of season picnic and we don't see rain again until mid-October. (Our secret Summer.) We don't tell ANYBODY who doesn't live here about it). OK. Last year September and October swapped places and July and August were cooler than normal. That was just to confuse the “global warming” dooms day crowd I believe. Now, what is with this Summer.

Is it possible it is just a scheme to ease me into the Colorado summers that I will need to adjust to? Remember, June and July will be my new rainy season there when we get half of the annual precipitation those two months. Whatever is happening, it is not our usual growing season for our rose gardens.

I'm wondering what differences other people are seeing in their roses this year. My blooming season got a slow start but our garden has had less disease problems. Also, larger blossoms with consistently better form on some varieties such as Double Delight and Hoagy Carmichael. *(continued on page 3)*

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Elena has great blossoms but sometimes stems can be weak and the heavy blooms droop more. We are also seeing more sprays than usual, but perhaps we have not been doing enough disbudding.

Our starts are doing well and still require watering as often as if we were getting warmer and dryer weather.

I'm open to theories and hope this sparks some discussion.

Will Rogers says

The income tax has made more liars out of the American people than golf has.

November 2, 1924