# Welcome to the South Surrey Garden Club

Here is some information about the club:

#### General

The club usually has about 370 members. The meeting format is club business, followed by short presentations from club members before coffee; after which we have the main speaker. The speaker is usually an expert from outside the club. Many speakers include a slide presentation and may bring plants for sale.

Additional activities include a range of workshops, tours of members' gardens, a huge annual plant sale in May, a flower and garden show in June, and trips to various places of interest, sometimes out of town.

We have a newsletter distributed four times a year, a comprehensive library, an email based discussion group and a Facebook group.

Annual membership is \$35. Name tags and membership cards are provided. We encourage you to wear your name tag on all occasions. Some garden centres offer discounts to club members – remember your card and always ask. A drop-in guest fee of \$5 is charged for meetings only.

### **Meetings**

Meetings start at 7:00pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month (except August and December). Doors open at 6:00pm for set up and most people arrive shortly after 6:30pm.

Sign-up sheets are available for the current activities before the meeting and during the coffee break – please have the fee or deposit with you when you sign-up.

Goodies are provided by volunteers at the break but if you wish a beverage, please bring your own. There is a draw for several door prizes – be sure to place your name in the draw pot at the back of the hall by the end of the break. Meetings usually finish about 9:30pm.

# **Show and Tell**

There is usually a table set aside at the meetings for members to display plants from their gardens.

# Library

The library has about 600 books covering nearly everything a gardener wants to read. It is open before the meeting and during the coffee break. Members may borrow six books a month. There is \$1/month fine for each overdue book.

#### **Question Table**

At most meetings one or more of our many expert gardeners are on hand at the rear of the hall to try and answer your questions. Reference books are also available here.