

AGM DECEMBER 4th, 2025 7 30 PM

CARLETON PLACE & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

President Rick Roberts welcomed members to our Annual General Meeting.

recited the Indigenous Land Acknowledgment.

There was a quorum of 46 members present. Debbie Guthro requested a motion to approve the Minutes of our previous AGM of December 4, 2024: **Motion by Linda Bartlett seconded by Brenda Cupper. Motion to Accept, All in favour**

TREASURERS REPORT – Linda Bartlett gave a summary of our financials. Debi McEwen and Carolyn Brendin completed the audit and all was good. Linda Bartlett asked for a Motion to approve the Audited Treasurer's Report.

Motion 1 to approve the Financial Statement by Sandy Roberts, seconded by Brenda Cupper. Motion to Accept, all in favour. No No's, No Abstains.

Motion 2 To accept Financial Reviewers for 2025 Debi McEwen and Carolyn Brendin by Debbie Guthro, seconded by Barbara Fowler. Motion to Accept, all in favour. No No's, No abstains.

Actions and Decisions of the Executive in the Past year

Motion to approve the actions and decisions of the Executive in the past year by Beth Hunter, seconded by Margaret Coombs. Motion to Accept, All in favour, no No's, no Abstains.

Motion to approve the actions and decisions of the Board of Directors in the past year by Brenda Cupper, seconded by Kilby McCann Motion to Accept, all in favour, no No's, no Abstains.

Presidents Report

Motion to approve the Presidents Report by Carolyn Bredin, seconded by Irene Tobis. Motion to Accept, All in favour, no No's, no Abstains.

D2 – OHA REPORT – D2 Director Cindy Zorkel was introduced by Rick Roberts.

The D2 is now in good standing with the OHA, brief discussion on why this happened and how it was resolved.

Cindy reminded us of the D2 Flower show on June 13, 2026 at the Richcraft Recreational Center, no longer providing trophies but giving gift certificates instead.

The next D2 AGM will be on April 18, 2026 at St. Stevens Anglican Church in Ottawa and is being hosted by the Nepean Horticultural Society. There will be 3 positions available on the board.

ELECTIONS –

Rick Roberts explained the process for Elections:

All offices are now declared vacant (OHA)

Election of Directors at AGM (bylaws)

Election of Officers by Directors at upcoming meeting for that purpose (bylaws)

Barbara Fowler nominated Kilby McCann and to our Board of Directors as Director at Large. **Kilby accepted the nomination.**

Linda Bartlett nominated Carlo Beaudoin to our Board of Directors as Director at Large. **Carlo accepted the nomination.**

Irene Tobis nominated Kiah Barton to our Board of Directors as Director at Large. **Kiah accepted the nomination.**

Rick Roberts asked for **other nominations** from the floor (1 time).

Rick Roberts asked for **other nominations** from the floor (2 more times). There were no further nominations.

Cindy Zorkel presented the Board for 2026 –

Directors – Rick Roberts, Linda Bartlett, Debbie Guthro,, Laura Cupper, Barbara Fowler, Irene Tobis, Kilby McCann, Carlo Beaudoin and Kiah Barton.

D2 Representative Cindy Zorkel Installed the 2025 Board and asked the Society Members to **accept the Board of Directors to fulfill their duties.**

AWARDS

President's Award – Kilby McCann, was presented with a plaque by Rick Roberts

Photo Competition – Cheryl Moore was awarded a Certificate by Rob Drapeau and Doreen Harris.

Flower Show – Barbara Fowler presented a Certificate and Gift Card to:

Highest Points – Anita Ruus

Edibles – Barb Clarke

Floral Design – Janet Cain

Novice Floral Design – Deborah O'Mally

Wendy Leblanc Silver Bowl - Deborah O'Malley

CHRISTMAS FLORAL DESIGN DEMONSTRATION by Nora Kazda from Wild Bloom Farm demonstrated season wreath and arrangement design. The Floral Wreath was given as a door prize.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – The President's report is in the most recent Newsletter that was handed out to the attendees. Rick recognized all volunteers from 2025. Rick also recognized the Hospitality Committee in respect to the potluck.

OTHER REPORTS - A 3 minutes slide show was presented to the membership to portray the accomplishments for the year for the CPDHS.

Door Prizes: Members Linda Bartlett, Deb Crosby, Jocelyn Filipowich, Irene Tobis and Paul Pietsch were the winners of either a poinsettia or the beautifully designed wreath by Nora Kazda.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS - Donations and food were received from members.

Motion to Adjourn by Debbie Guthro and Seconded by Margaret Coombs, All in favour.

First General meeting of the New Year will be on March 4, 2026.