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Garden Contest Winners Announced

The City of Campbell River Communities in Bloom Committee, The Comox Valley Regional District and the Campbell River Garden Club hosted another successful garden contest this year. The 2nd annual contest came to a close last week and it was extremely tough to pick the winners. According to the judges, all of the gardeners have invested huge amounts of time and effort into their properties and it has certainly paid off. The winners will be awarded their prizes at the Communities in Bloom Meet and Greet on Sunday, July 13. Category winners are as follows:

Best Overall Heidi Murton	Best Residential Property 1 st , Noel Smith 2 nd , Bob and Inez Savage 3 rd , Rita Choquette
Best Residential Patio/Balcony 1 st – Elizabeth Locke 2 nd , Linda Wrighton	Best Residential Complex 1 st , Ironwood Place 2 nd , John Perkins Memorial Housing
Best Business Frontage 1 st , Sinott and Co. 2 nd , Otter Lake Fencing 3 rd , Shadoe Intimates	Best Business Property 1 st , Dolphin's Resort 2 nd , Royal Coachman
Special Mentions Jim Morley, Exotic Plants Don and Betty Calimente, Innovation on Challenging Terrain Linda and Dave Christian, Natural Pest Management	Best Composting 1 st , Linda and Dave Christian 2 nd , Rita Choquette

The CIB Committee would like to thank all of the entrants who so graciously showed off their gardens.

The Committee would also like to thank the following sponsors who generously donated prizes to support the contest:

Ladybug Greenhouse – Best Overall
 Campbell River Garden Centre – Residential 1st Place
 Willows Farm Market and Garden Centre – Residential 2nd Place
 Serendipity in the Garden – Residential 3rd Place/Special Mention
 Sticks 'n Stones Nursery – Business 1st Place Prizes
 Renuable Resources – Business 2nd Place Prizes
 Ladybug Greenhouse - Business 3rd Place/Special Mention
 Comox Valley Regional District – Composting

Huge thanks is also extended to the volunteer judges; Stacey Larson, Pam Dobbs, Susan McEwen, Susan Jerowsky, Bev Birce, Iona Wharton, Elaine Jansen and Katherine Jorgensen, for their time to visit and evaluate the gardens.

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