



The British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association

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February 17, 2020

Dear BCFGAs Member,

The year 2020 was challenging in many aspects, and our 2021 Annual Convention is going ahead, despite the COVID-19 pandemic.

The meeting is being held by [Zoom video conference](#) (you may dial-in if you do not have an internet connected computer). The meeting is from 10 am to 2 pm, followed by a drive-through election, and reconvening at 7:30 pm (to hear election results) on Thursday February 25. See the reverse side for more information on connecting to the meeting. For more information about the meeting, reports and updates, visit our website www.bcfga.com. Information will be added up to the day of the conference.

The meeting will be shorter than normal, as we keep the agenda to the basics to adjust to having the Annual Convention by video conference. Everyone's help in keeping the meeting running smoothly and on time is appreciated.

The election is being held immediately after the main convention, from 3-5 pm at Growers Supply in Penticton and Kelowna, and 4-5 pm Creston. The election will be a 'drive through' to prevent the gathering of people and be held outdoors for greater safety.

All BCFGAs members are eligible to vote in the election. We are of course encouraging all members to exercise their democratic right - and we are offering *great prize draws* for those who do vote. There will be 10 pruning shears, 10 industrial first aid kits, 3 spray kits (spray suit, mixing gloves and mask/goggles), *and* a Kasco ventilated helmet with a battery pack. Members who vote will be entered into the draw, so be sure to vote on February 25! Our thanks to Summerland Varieties Corporation for providing these great prizes. The draw will be held when the Annual Meeting reconvenes to hear the election results at 7:30 pm.

Sincerely,

Pinder Dhaliwal
President



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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
2021

ps. This letter is being delivered by regular mail and by email.

2021 BCFGA 132nd Annual Convention

How to participate in the February 25, 2021

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Recess for election, and
Reconvene at 7:30 -8:30 PM Pacific Time

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85038853806?pwd=cEM3TVVCL3VNYnViaE83NFZKUZkd5QT09>

or by telephone:
1-204-272-7920,
Meeting ID: 850 3885 3806#
Participant Code: {*your phone number*}#
Passcode: 2021#

Elections of the BCFGA Board of Directors

Each year, the 4 positions of the 8 member BCFGA Board of Directors are up for election. This year, the election will be held as a 'drive through' to ensure the health and safety of members and staff.

At one of the sites (your home region),

- *Proceed to the appropriate Growers Supply (Penticton, Creston or Kelowna)*
- *use the main entrance, and follow the signs to the BCFGA Voting.*
- *Please wear a mask while at the ballot stations. Election officers will be wearing masks and hand sanitizing frequently.*
- *Stay in your car while your ID is checked and your ballot is safely handed to you.*
- *After receiving the ballot, drive to the next station, fill out your ballot, and deposit it in the Ballot Box*

The [BCFGA website](#) has video recordings of each candidate, providing Candidate background and the reason the Candidate wishes to be elected to the Board of Directors..

North Region

Drive Through Election, Members in the North Region (Peachland and North) to Vote:
3-5 pm
[2605 Acland Road, Kelowna](#)

South Region

Drive Through Election, Members in the South Region (Summerland and South) to Vote:
3-5 pm
[108 Dawson Avenue, Penticton](#)

Creston Valley Area

Drive Through Election, Members in the South Region (Peachland and North) to Vote:
4-5 pm Creston time
[754 35 Avenue South, Erickson](#)