

The official colours for 2017 are

RED and **WHITE**

This year, to help celebrate Canada's 150 Anniversary of Confederation the Township is holding a special **TOWNSHIP-WIDE BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST** open to individuals, businesses and community groups in the Township of Rideau Lakes. Folks wishing to enter their home properties must identify their main focus/area on their property for judging. By participating as a contestant you are allowing the judge's access to your property for judging purposes.

Timing: Judging will take place during the third week of July. There is no "fore-warning" to contestants as to the actual judgment day!

Judging: The judging panel will consist of representatives from the Township who have an interest in horticulture.

Judging will be based on the use of the colours Red and White in plants, decorative features and any 150 Canada art elements. As well, balance, harmony, variety of plants, land use and overall visual appeal will be used as criteria while judging.

Awards: Winners receive a very special and distinct sign for their garden that identifies their garden as a winning entry. As this is Canada's 150th Anniversary, a special additional prize will be awarded to the top garden in each of the three categories (individual, business and community group). The presentation of these awards will be held in the Council Chambers in Chantry in August. Winners must be willing to allow photos of their entries to be used for publicity purposes.

There is no cost to enter.

Registration: To be involved in this contest you must register by **July 7, 2017** by calling Sue at the Township Offices 1-800-928-2250 or 613-928-2251; filling out a registration form found in this brochure or on-line or by e-mail to: susan@twprideaulakes.on.ca Good Luck!