

Organic pesticides work to keep gardens lovely

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To the editor:

I am a landscape consultant with passion, fire and a considerable amount of energy.

I am disturbed by an article I read in the Capital News printed Aug. 17 titled When It Comes To Fending Off Insects, Detective Work Helps.

A company is quoted in this article called Amdro pest-control products. So I researched the company name wondering who the dickens are they. Well, they are an American company with pesticide products made with harsh synthetic chemicals.

The ironic part is that Kelowna has a bylaw stating no synthetic chemicals to be used on lawns by homeowners and yet we publish an article that clearly promotes this situation.

I work very hard to bring information to people here in Kelowna about natural/organic alternatives for lawn and gardens. I facilitate workshops/seminars for the City of Kelowna talking and demonstrating about this very important environmental issue.

There are a lot of fantastic Canadian organic/natural and biological products on the market to boast about that work incredibly well to control pests in our lawns and gardens.

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COMMENTS

Green Alternative Pesticides DO NOT WORK ! They are BOGUS AND DISMAL FAILURES. It is IMPOSSIBLE for home-owners or professionals to keep their properties beautiful by using so-called Green Alternative Pesticides. There are NO viable, efficacious, economical, or low-risk alternatives to replace

conventional pest control products. In many cases, Green Alternative Pesticides are questionably HIGHER IN TOXICITY, and pose HIGHER ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS. A well-maintained conventional lawn and landscape can ONLY BE ACHIEVED WITH CONVENTIONAL pest control products and fertilizers. Fortunately, CONVENTIONAL pest control products are SAFE, EFFECTIVE, ECONOMICAL, and LOW-RISK.

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PESTICIDE BANS result in CATASTROPHIC CARNAGE caused by BAN FAILURES, BUSINESS FAILURES, GARBAGE DUMP GREEN SPACES, STUNNINGLY EXORBITANT COSTS, HORRIFIC FINES, and even ILLNESS and DEATH. PESTICIDE BANS have DESTROYED public and residential Green Spaces by turning them into GARBAGE DUMPS. Summary of CATASTROPHIC CARNAGE Caused by GARBAGE DUMP GREEN SPACES ...

- Children are at HIGH RISK OF SLIPPING AND TRIPPING ON WEEDS and BECOMING HURT.
- Dandelions are the DOMINANT GROUND COVER ... EVERYWHERE !
- Invasive noxious weeds like Japanese Knotweed and Giant Hogweed.
- Lawns are DECIMATED and ruined by pests like white grubs.
- Mature street trees are DYING because of uncontrolled pests.
- Natural grass sports fields are being REPLACED by dangerous artificial turf.
- Parks are INFESTED with weeds that crowd out grass.
- People are SUFFERING from SEVERE REACTIONS to weeds like Poison Ivy.
- Pesticide-free maintenance is STUNNINGLY EXPENSIVE.
- Playing surfaces are INFESTED with damaging weeds and insects.
- Rose plantations are DYING and must be REMOVED by cities.
- Swarms of flies are EVERYWHERE !
- Weed-infested playing surfaces are HARD and DANGEROUS.
- Weeds are UNCONTROLLED in ditches and are INVADING nearby farms.
- WHO WANTS TO LIVE IN #@!!% PEST-INFESTED GARBAGE DUMPS ?!?! <http://wp.me/P1jq40-44g> <http://wp.me/P1jq40-26P>

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