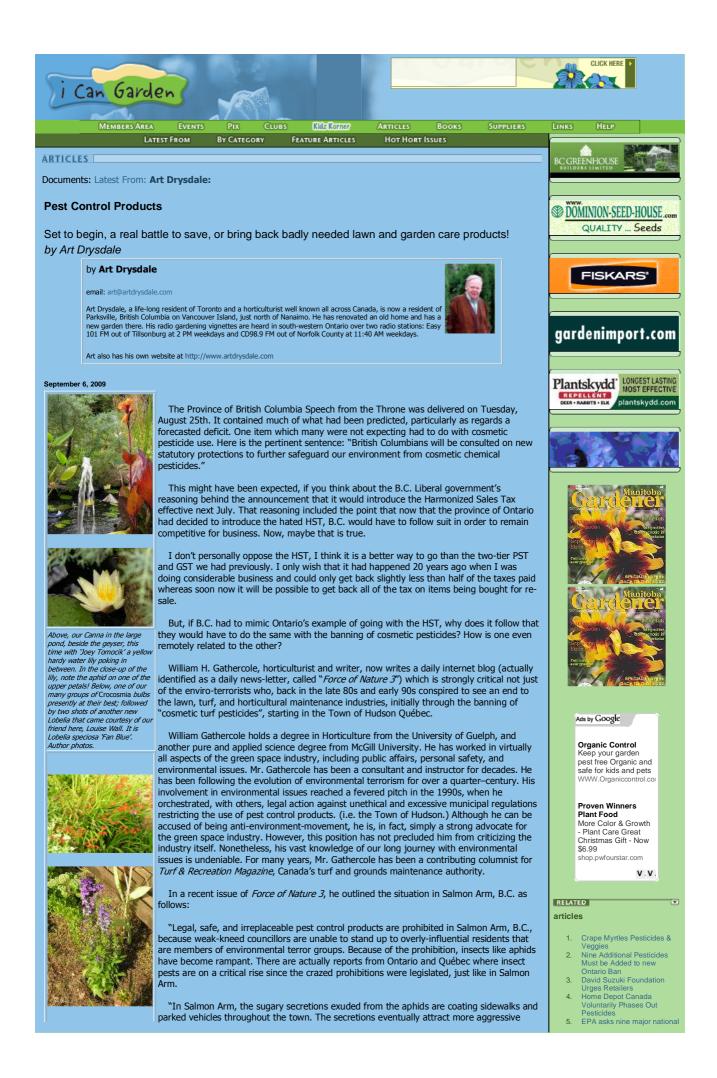
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insect species such as hornets and wasps.

"Repeated and unchecked aphid attacks will tend to make host trees brittle, meaning branches will break when the wind blows hard. People walking on sidewalks drenched in honeydew secretions may slip and fall, and severely hurt themselves. Do we hear the word lawsuit? Wouldn't it be interesting to see Salmon Arm sued for millions of dollars by some poor citizen struck by a falling branch because of city neglect, and because the city is run by enviro-maniacs! Salmon Arm appears to be run by councillors stricken with depraved indifference for the safety of its citizens!

"If the councillors of Salmon Arm had any brains, the malicious prohibition would be rescinded immediately, before some poor citizen becomes seriously hurt, and before Salmon Arm becomes the target of a major lawsuit! This should serve as a warning to any government officials who conspire to prohibit legal, safe, and irreplaceable pest control

products."

William Gathercole also points out, in an even newer edition, some of the many 'outright lies' that are being promoted by enviro-maniacs on this subject:

- 1) Acre for acre, the American lawn receives four times as much chemical pesticide as any U.S. farmland. [ WRONG!]
- 2) An estimated seven million birds are killed yearly in the U.S. by lawn–care pesticides. [ WRONG ! ]
- 3) Phosphorus runoff from lawn fertilizer causes algae blooms that suck oxygen out of our waterways, killing all aquatic life. [ WRONG!]
- 4) In the summer, over half of municipal water usage goes to lawns. [ WRONG!]

In addition to these totally incorrect statements by so-called "coaches" and "experts", virtually all of whom have no valid credentials in any aspect of horticulture or lawn care (truly they are enviro-maniacs), many of the products being recommended as 'alternative green' substitutes have their own problems! Some of the so-called 'green alternatives' such as acetic acid, corn gluten meal, Bacillus thuringiensis, herbicidal soap, horticultural oil, insecticidal soap, nematodes and Sclerotinia minor have negatives ranging from almost total ineffectiveness except under very specific circumstances, to a question about their toxicity; i.e. that it may well be more toxic than what it is designed to replace. In fact some jurisdictions have already begun to ban some of these 'green alternatives' and more will likely do the same

This is a battle that has hardly begun, but if we are to continue to have green spaces and gardens, it needs to be fought. I'll have more in coming weeks.











