



ECO-Vrindaban Board Meeting Minutes 6/26/2022

Mission Statement: ECO-Vrindaban promotes cow protection, local agriculture, and above all, loving Krishna, as envisioned by Srila Prabhupada, ISKCON New Vrindaban's Founder-Acharya.

Participating Board Members: Anuttama, Jamuna Jivani (board secretary), Makara (chair), and Ranaka.

Participating Advisors: Chaitanya Mangala and Jaya Krsna

1. Ranaka's Monthly Report

Ranaka reported on the previous month's projects:

- Lalita Gopi (Temple Barn)
 - There are seven cows being milked: Subhadra, Gaurangi, Jaya Radhe, Puspavati, Gopikatayani, Lalita, and Satyabhauma.
 - There are five calves: Govardhana, Bahula, Nandulal, Kaustubha, and Nrsimha
 - The cows produced 30 gal per day.
 - Anandavidya made 20-30 lb of butter weekly.
 - John repaired the front door on top of the barn that had partially blown off.
 - Lalita (cow) delivered her bull calf, Nrsimha. He had very long legs and required bottle feedings for two days. He is doing well.
 - Badarayani has been steadily working with the calves. He uses the yoke and they are pulling boards.
 - The area across from the temple (goat field) was fenced and cleaned up. We recycled and painted some gates. Anandavidya and Lalita used their personal supply of fence wire as a donation. The older calves were moved to that area.
 - purchased new ropes, dishes, and grain containers for the older calves.
 - Tejo put in a water line to the older calf area.
 - Lalita planted some perennials in the flower pots but the groundhogs claimed that area and devoured and uprooted all attempts.
 - Dr. Mores (vet) performed the castration for Nandulal and Kaustubha

- Yashoda was dried off. She had injuries to her teats and was impossible to milk. She was very happy to return to Dharma for rebreeding.
- Atmarama (Nandagram)
 - Continued removal of dead trees and brush.
 - Started major repairs of the large barn.
 - Ongoing electrical wiring in garage for lights and receptacles.
 - Completed fencing in bull pasture.
 - Moved the oxen to their summer pasture.
 - Started removal of very large field stones from pastures.
 - Repaired fencing in the winter pasture.
 - Started weekly landscaping.
 - Completed removal of metal scrap and damaged gates.
 - Replaced damaged gates with newer ones.
 - Started spreading grass seed for large bald areas.
 - Made built in steps and handrail for the large barn walkway.
 - Removed all old electrical fencing hardware.
- Ray
 - Delivered hay to the Temple Barn as needed.
 - Fed the cows and cleaned the Valley Barns as needed.
 - Maintained grass mowing around the Valley Barns.
 - Prepared all hay equipment for another season of harvest.
 - Mowed, baled, and stacked in the Valley Barn with the help of Joshua Rama and Pippalada: 64 first-cutting round bales
- Yudhisthira (Oxen Training Program, New Yamuna Valley Farms)
 - It's been over one month since the oxen were put in their new secure pasture.
 - Yoked up the oxen most days and had them pull a sled with a weight on it.
 - Weed-whacked the pasture to eradicate the multiflora rose, etc. in order to encourage the grass to grow.
 - Recently cleared the land which was heavily forested. As soon as the trees were gone, the multiflora took over.
- Suchandra (Teaching Garden & Valley Barn Flower Beds)
 - Teaching Garden
 - Laid mulch
 - Picked tulips and allium and delivered them to the temple.
 - Added manure to beds
 - Finished tilling and covering beds for marigolds
 - Planted marigolds.
 - Started sunflower trays
 - Tilled and covered sunflower beds
 - Planted sunflowers in beds

- Added soil to pots and raised bed
 - Bought and added peat humus to the raised bed
 - Planted raised herb bed
 - Planted canna bulbs in beds
 - Bought and planted flowers in pots
 - Weeded all lily and dahlia beds weekly
 - Mowed/weed-whacked weekly
 - Put up a temporary fence by the back pavilion to keep out the groundhogs
 - Watered plants regularly.
 - Valley Barn Beds
 - Tilled up beds.
 - Weeded.
 - Covered beds.
 - Planted cannas and marigolds
 - Production from Teaching Garden & Barn Beds for May 2022
 - Allium - 6
 - Tulips - 6
- Hari Nama (Vidya's Garden & High Tunnel)
 - Crew: Govinda
 - Prepared garden beds for planting.
 - Repaired fence around high tunnel.
 - Repaired trellises in the garden and around the high tunnel.
 - Planted marigolds.
 - Planted bitter melon.
 - Watered the high tunnel and pots.
 - Picked peonies and marigolds.
 - Picked viburnum, hydrangeas, cedar branches, mock oranges, and asparagus.
 - Weeded lily beds.
 - Production from Vidya HT for May 2022:
 - Cedar Branches – 2 boxes
 - Hydrangea Branches – 1 box
 - Mock Orange Branches – 1 box
 - Carnations – 134
 - Marigolds small – 278
 - Peonies - 142
- Analaksita (Valley High Tunnels #1 & #2, and Outdoor Garden)
 - Crew: Jered, Cassidy, and Bhumika
 - High Tunnels #1
 - Hung tomato string trellises and trimmed tomatoes regularly
 - Hung cucumber trellis

- Fully harvested first crop of lettuces and replanted new lettuces
 - Planted stock and calendula flowers
 - Harvested lettuces, celery, cilantro, lacinato kale, lamb's quarters, cucumbers, zucchini, stock flowers, calendula flowers, sunflowers, baby's breath, and marigolds that were delivered to the temple and sold at the farmers market and the Public Market.
- High Tunnels #2
 - Fully harvested the spinach and delivered it to the temple.
 - Put cages around the dahlias and eggplants
 - Moved carnation pots outdoors.
 - Planted a 90' row of cilantro
 - Planted a 90' row of lettuce
- Both Tunnels
 - Watered and weeded regularly.
 - Added nitrogen through the drip tape twice.
- Outdoor Garden
 - Added manure and tilled the garden.
 - Covered garden (125' x 140') with groundcover and burned holes in half of it for planting.
 - Trimmed and weeded cabbages
 - Harvested lacinato and curly kale and Swiss chard that were delivered to the temple, farmers market, and the Public Market.
 - put up up an electric fence
- Valley High Tunnel Barn
 - maha clean up and tidied regularly
- Wash Station
 - Tidied regularly
- Office Sprouting Station
 - Watered plants daily.
 - Regularly sprouted and transplanted vegetables, herbs and flowers.
 - Moved most plants to the high tunnels for planting.
- Miscellaneous
 - Mowed and weed-eated the grounds. Cut down a tree in preparation for the greenhouse.
 - We had the farmers market (The Village Market) every Saturday and Sunday from 11:00-4:00
- Production from Valley High Tunnels #1 & #2 for May 2022:
 - Carnations – 86
 - Cauliflower – 6.5 lb
 - Collard Greens – 68.5 lb

- Flowers (stock, baby's breath, calendula, afternoon outing) - 7 bunches
 - Kale – 78.5 lb
 - Lettuce – 165 lb
 - Lettuce (Romaine) – 78.5 heads
 - Marigolds, large – 36
 - Marigolds, small - 44
 - Mint - 3.5 lb
 - Spinach – 18 lb
 - Sunflowers, large - 5
- Ranaka
- Radha Vrindaban Chandra's Herd Count
 - Temple Goshala
 - Milking Cows - 7
 - Heifer Calf - 1
 - Bull Calves - 4
 - Bahulaban
 - Steer - 4
 - Retired Cows - 17
 - Bred Heifer - 1
 - Bred Cows - 2
 - Valley Barn
 - Bull - 1
 - Bred Heifers - 2
 - Being Bred Heifer - 1
 - Bred Cow - 1
 - Open heifers (not yet breeding age) - 2
 - Retired cows - 6
 - Steers - 3
 - Nandagram
 - Steers - 11
 - Oxen - 3
 - New Yamuna Valley Farm
 - Oxen-in-training - 2
 - The total herd count is 68.

2. Karunamayi as Advisor

WHEREAS: The ECO-V Board wishes to maintain a team of advisors for 2022.

RESOLVED: The Board offered Karunamayi a position as advisor until the 2023 annual meeting.