

Walberton Gardeners Club

Newsletter

July 2022

Dear Members,

Well Done Everyone. Thank you so much for all of the brilliant exhibits that were on display. Everyone made such a tremendous effort. We had an all time record of 258 entries. So well done everybody.

Summer Afternoon Cream Tea

This year the event will be held in the Pavilion on Friday 19th August at 3pm. As a thank you to all of our members this event will be free for members to attend. If you would like to bring a guest with you the charge will be £5. It is very important that if you would like to attend you register with Brenda Bailey

On 01243 551481 or 07881552980 or Bbailey93@btinternet.com. This is purely to help with the catering. Brian Bailey will also demonstrate to us what to look for when choosing your exhibits for the Flower Show and how to present them. I think that we could all benefit from his knowledge.

Results from the Summer Flower Show

The trophy winners were as follows-

The Supreme Challenge Cup

Best Overall Exhibit in the Summer Show Keith Perry

The Bisset Rose Bowl

Best exhibit in the Floral Art Classes Carol Smith

The Hans Kleine Silver Challenge Cup

Best Exhibit in the Pot Plant Classes Keith Perry

Silver Challenge Cup

Best Exhibit in the Cut Flower Classes Jeffrey Haine

Silver Salver

Best Exhibit in the Cookery Classes Liz Brown

Glass Tankard

Best Exhibit in the Art Classes Liz Brown

Challenge Trophy

Best Exhibit in the Photography Classes Teresa Gess

The Fred Ireland Cup

Best Exhibit in the Sweet Pea Classes Jeffrey Haine

The George Drummond Memorial Trophy

Best Exhibit in the Rose Classes Kate Dobson

Glass Tankard

Best Exhibit in the Craft Classes

Keith Perry

The Challenge Cup

For the Best Exhibit in the Fruit and Vegetable Classes Bob Rogers

Other prize winners were

Roberta Butler-Peter Brown-Brenda Bailey-Kath Gilham-Alan Humphrey-Robert Baly-Rosemary Burgess-Ann Cannings-Douglas Callander-Sue Pitman-Mary Lewis-Patrick Dealtry-Irene Howell-Theresa Edwards-Christine Llewellyn-David Donovan-Brian Varney-Liesma Mezulis-Pat McChesney-Cpaws Nursery Class-Annie Staker-Amelia Hiatt-Ellen Staker.

Jobs to do in your garden in July

- **Flowers** Keep cutting annuals like sweet peas, cornflowers and cosmos to fill your vases. The more you cut, the more flowers they'll produce!
- Tie tall plants such as hollyhocks and sunflowers to canes to give them plenty of support.
- Feed dahlias fortnightly with a high-potash liquid feed to encourage masses of beautiful blooms.
- Deadhead repeat-flowering roses to keep them flowering.
- Water regularly in hot weather. Water in the morning or evening to avoid too much evaporation, giving the bases of perennials, shrubs and bushes a good soaking.
- Plant autumn bulbs like nerines and colchicums.
- Cut back hardy geraniums and delphiniums for a second flowering in late summer.
- Sow biennials for next year, including foxgloves, dianthus, and wallflowers.
- **Vegetables**
- Feed tomatoes fortnightly and pinch out side shoots on cordon varieties.
- Feed citrus trees with citrus feed throughout summer.
- Pick runner beans regularly to encourage the plants to produce more.
- Watch out for cabbage white caterpillars, which can devastate a crop. Check the undersides of leaves for eggs and remove affected leaves.
- Sow perpetual spinach and chard by mid-July for autumn and winter crops.
- Stop harvesting rhubarb now, so that the plants can build up their reserves for next year.

Other News- A Few Suggestions for Out & About Days_

9th July

Summer Fete, Westergate Baptist Church 2.30/4.00 Free
Steam Rally Parham Park 9-5pm. £10 or £9 in advance.

10th & 19 July Open Garden Abbot Barn, Storrington 11/17.00pm NGS

11th July Open Garden, Old Cross Street Farm, West Burton 9/18.00
Open Garden Woolbeding Garden NGS10.30/16.30
16th July North Mundham Gala and Flower Show
16/22July Denmans Gardens – Stitchmakers Exhibition – Free
19th July Arundel Farmers Market
21st July Pop Up Open Garden, Sullington Old Rectory Nr. Storrington
26/30 July Qatar – Glorious Goodwood.

Reflection on the Summer Show. As you all know, the teas at the Flower Shows are always very popular. We would be very grateful if anyone would like to make a cake for us. Please contact Brenda if you are able to help. We will reimburse you for the cost of your ingredients. We would like to thank David Donovan who always contributes a cake which is most welcome.

Vase Sizes. If you are not happy with the size of the vase provided on the table, please feel free to help yourself to the correct size for your exhibit.

Cups & Trophies. You are welcome to get your name engraved on your new trophy. If you have difficulty finding an engraver please contact Brenda who will give you some suggestion.

At the Flower Show Tea Tables, we put our comment slips. This is designed to help us in ways to improve, or simply just what people would like to see on show next year. We are always open to suggestion. This time the comments were wonderful and we thought that we would like to share them with you.

- 1.Excellent Show, well attended. My compliments to all the organisers.
- 2.Great cakes/Teas as usual.
- 3.Great Varied Show. Well don't to all the organisers.
- 4.Wonderful show-well done. No adverse comments!

Our membership is growing which is wonderful. New members are always welcome. They don't have to be experts at all. If they need advice there is always someone on hand to help them. So please encourage your friends, family and neighbours to join us. Please just remember we just SHOW what we GROW.

Thank you from the Committee,

Liz Hewson, Brenda Bailey , Ann,Cannings, Doug Callander & Sue Atkins.