



**DOGMERSFIELD, WINCHFIELD & CROOKHAM
VILLAGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

President: Mrs P Silvester Chairman: Mr B J Leversha

Newsletter – August 2010

FLOWER SHOW & FETE 2010



**Remember – Next year's
show will be on Saturday
July 16th 2011**



FLOWER SHOW

WINNING ENTRIES 2010

Rule 9 States: Classes with three or less entries will normally be eligible for one prize only. Classes with four entries will normally be eligible for two prizes only. This will not apply to Division D and Division E Class 120.

Note: Names of Exhibitors awarded cash prizes are shown in bold type.

	DIVISION A	Entries	First	Second	Third
1	Vegetables, four varieties	2	Kaz & Betty Pakula	Inga Harding	
2	Vegetables, One of a kind	2	Charlie Lysons	Kaz & Betty Pakula	
3	Potatoes	11	Dr Stuart Meeson	Jenny White	Annette Blackwell
4	Onions	7	Jenny White	Roger Jones	Annette Blackwell
5	Carrots	4	Charlie Lysons	Sophie Emery	Christine Lowe
6	Beans, Runner	3	Roger Jones	Di Thirkettle	Kaz & Betty Pakula
7	Beans, Dwarf French	0			
8	Beans, Broad	1	Kaz & Betty Pakula		
9	Cabbages	1	Roger Jones		
10	Cauliflowers	0			
11	Calabrese	0			
12	Peas	1	Charlie Lysons		
13	Beetroot	3	Not Awarded	David Walton	Charlie Lysons
14	Radishes	0			
15	Tomatoes, regular fruited	1	Lynn ten Kate		
16	Tomatoes, small fruited	3	Lynn ten Kate	Allen Barker	Maureen Dressel
17	Mange Tout	1	Christine Lowe		
18	Lettuce	2	Roger Jones	Carol Leversha	
19	Shallots exhibition 30mm+	0			
20	Shallots pickling 30mm &-	3	Dr Stuart Meeson	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
21	Cucumbers	3	Roger Jones	Allen Barker	Maureen Dressel
22	Marrows, max 12 ins	1	Kaz & Betty Pakula		
23	Courgettes	5	Dr Stuart Meeson	Alf & Joy White	Roger Jones
24	Any other vegetable	4	Inga Harding	Not Awarded	Lukas Kizak
25	Garden curiosity	3	Lukas Kizak	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
26	Collection of herbs	6	Alison Douglas	Tina Collins	Annette Blackwell
27	Family collect of produce	0			
28	Raspberries	5	Lynn ten Kate	Tony Gower-Jones	Jerome Farrell
29	Blackcurrants	5	Kaz & Betty Pakula	David Walton	Jerome Farrell
30	Red & White Currants	5	Kaz & Betty Pakula	David Walton	Jerome Farrell
31	Gooseberries	7	Lynn ten Kate	Eileen Collis	Lukas Kizak
32	Strawberries	0			
33	Apples	2	Annette Blackwell	Lynn ten Kate	
34	Collection of fruit	1	Kaz & Betty Pakula		
35	Any other fruit	2	Kerry ten Kate	Lynn ten Kate	
36	Rhubarb	6	Roger Jones	Tina Collins	Charlie Lysons
37	Pot plant, max 5" pot	3	Jenny White	Jenny White	Maureen Dressel
38	Pot plant, over 5" pot	6	David Walton	Maureen Dressel	Dr Stuart Meeson
39	Potted Fuchsia	6	Dr Stuart Meeson	Monica Lamb	Maureen Dressel
40	Pot Geranium/Pelargonium	0			
41	Pot large flowered Begonia	0			
42	Pot plant, Fern or Foliar	3	Jenny White	Maureen Dressel	Dr Stuart Meeson
43	Cactus or Succulent	1	Dr Stuart Meeson		
44	Roses. 3 sprays or stems	7	Felix Lister	Tina Collins	Kaz & Betty Pakula
45	Bowl of Roses	4	Alf & Joy White	Lou Collis	Carol Leversha
46	Specimen Rose	10	Tony Gower-Jones	Dr Stuart Meeson	Lou Collis
47	Vase of Dahlias	1	Dr Stuart Meeson		
48	Dahlia, specimen bloom	5	Dr Stuart Meeson	Maureen Dressel	Lou Collis
49	Lily, one stem	10	Dr Stuart Meeson	Roger Jones	David Walton
50	Gladiolus, one spike	1	Kaz & Betty Pakula		
51	Gardn Flowers, 4 varieties	5	Lou Collis	Inga Harding	Maureen Dressel
52	Vase mixed garden flowers	5	Lou Collis	Alison Douglas	Kaz & Betty Pakula
53	Flowering Shrubs, cut stems	4	Alison Douglas	Claire Wallbank	Lou Collis
54	Sweet Peas, six stems	7	Charlie Lysons	Lynn ten Kate	Maureen Dressel
55	Vase or Bowl - Sweet Peas	5	Roger Jones	Lou Collis	Kaz & Betty Pakula
	Total entries in Division	183			

	DIVISION B				
60	Floral Arrangement in Basket	1	Pat Webb		
61	Floral Tapestry	2	Marina Dewey	Sue Gibbons	
62	Fashioned by Time	1	Carol Leversha		
63	Sticks and Stems	1	Marina Dewey		
64	Garden Snippets	8	Eileen Collis	Alison Douglas	Pat Webb
	Total entries in Division	13			
	DIVISION C				
80	White Wine	4	Neil Dickson	Amanda Barker	Mrs P Pecorelli
81	Red Wine	1	Not awarded	Amanda Barker	
82	Jar of Jam	8	Roger Jones	Jenny G-Brown	Jenny G-Brown
83	Jar of Jelly	2	Eileen Collis	Amanda Barker	
84	Jar of Marmalade	1	Eileen Collis		
85	Jar of Chutney	5	Jenny G-Brown	Jenny G-Brown	Alf & Joy White
86	Bakewell Tart	4	Felix Lister	Eileen Collis	Claire Inglis
87	5 Cheese Straws	2	Val Hannah	Claire Inglis	
88	Decorated Chocolate Sponge	6	Claire Inglis	Di Thirkettle	Joanne Jones
89	Wholemeal Loaf	2	Jerome Farrell	Amanda Barker	
90	White Loaf	1	Jerome Farrell		
91	Victoria Sandwich	7	Pat Webb	Mrs J Woods	Tina Collins
92	Recipe – Cherry Cake	5	Di Thirkettle	Maureen Dressel	Eileen Collis
	Total entries in division	48			
	DIVISION D				
	Age five & under				
100	Zoo Animal	2	Amy Inglis	Harry Cockburn	
101	Wooden Spoon Puppet	1	James Philip		
102	Zoo Collage	1	Alfie Barrow		
103	Biscuit in shape of Animal	1	James Philip		
	Age seven & under				
104	Jungle scene in shoebox	0			
105	Marwell Zoo Postcard	3	Sam Inglis	Amelie Cockburn	Charlotte Randall
106	3D Zoo Animal	1	Charlotte Randall		
107	6 Healthy Muffins	2	Megan Philip	Alfie Barrow	
	Age ten & under				
108	Roman Scene in Seedtray	2	Lauren Woods	Max Barker	
109	Composting Poster	1	Chester Barrow		
110	Miniature Scarecrow	0			
111	Decorated Sponge Cake	5	Lauren Woods	Amy Gower-Jones	Chester Barrow
	Age fourteen & under				
112	Healthy eating board game	3	Georgie Barrow	Maddy Goddard	Barnabas Balint
113	Favourite local scene	1	Maddy Goddard		
114	Invitation to themed tea	2	Jess Goddard	Georgie Barrow	
115	Plate of Summer Finger Food	2	Claire Collins	Kate Wallbank	
	Total entries in Division	27			
	DIVISION E				
120	Children's Handicraft	7	Sophie Emery	Charlotte Randall	Barnabas Balint
121	Craft, Functional	8	Julia Ambler	Carol Leversha	Eileen Collis
122	Art	8	Sue Smith	Brian Leversha	Kaz & Betty Pakula
123	Needlecraft	10	Vicky Jackson	Nicole Le Jeune	J Goddard/S Emery
124	Knitting	4	Ann Goddard	Di Thirkettle	Monica Lamb
126	Photo – Winter Snow Scene	31	Maxine Davies	Steve Collis	Joanne Jones
	Total entries in Division	68			

Grand Total of Entries 339

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES 2010.

No	Name	For	Div'n	Class	Winner 2010
1	RHS BANKSIAN MEDAL	MOST CASH IN HORTICULTURAL CLASS	A		DR STUART MEESON
2	CROOKHAM VILLAGE STORES CUP	MOST ORIGINAL AND IMAGINATIVE ENTRY	D	100 To 107	CHARLOTTE RANDALL (Age 7)
3	DAEGMAR MOHAIR CUP	BEST ITEM OF CHILDREN'S HANDICRAFT	E	120	SOPHIE EMERY (Age 12)
4	DOGMERSFIELD CRICKET CLUB CUP	FAMILY COLLECTION OF PRODUCE	A	27	No entry therefore not awarded
5	DOMESTIC TROPHY	BEST EXHIBIT IN DIVISION	C	ALL	DI THIRKETTLE
6	FOSTER & HEANES CHILDREN'S CHALLENGE CUP	BEST EXHIBIT IN DIVISION	D	ALL	LAUREN WOODS (Age 8)
7	FOSTER & HEANES TROPHY	BEST DAHLIA EXHIBIT	A	47	DR STUART MEESON
8	GOUGH TROPHY	BEST POT PLANT	A	37-42	DAVID WALTON
9	GOUGH TROPHY	BEST SINGLE ROSE	A	46	TONY GOWER-JONES
10	GRAY CUP	NOVELTY COLLECTION OF VEGETABLES	A	2	CHARLIE LYSONS
11	HAZEL CROFT TANKARD	BEST CACTUS OR SUCCULENT	A	43	DR STUART MEESON
12	KENYON TROPHY	MOST POINTS IN DIVISION	A	ALL	DR STUART MEESON
13	KIRWAN-TAYLOR CUP	BEST FLOWER ARRANGEMENT	B	ALL	MARINA DEWEY
14	LISTER PLATE	BEST MINIATURE	D	104 108	LAUREN WOODS (Age 8)
15	MANORIAL CHILDREN'S TROPHY	MOST POINTS IN CHILDREN'S DIVISION	D	ALL	JAMES PHILIP (Age 5)
16	NAPIER CLAVERING TROPHY	BEST BOWL OF ROSES	A	45	ALF & JOY WHITE
17	PILCOT FARM TROPHY	BEST ITEM OF HANDICRAFT	E	121 122	SUE SMITH
18	SANDARS TROPHY	BEST COLLECTION OF VEGETABLES	A	1	KAZ & BETTY PAKULA
19	SILVER JUBILEE PLATE	BEST ARRANGEMENT OF FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE IN BASKET	B	60	PAT WEBB
20	TERRY MINTER CUP	BEST ROSES	A	44	FELIX LISTER
21	TOPP CUP	BEST GLADIOLUS SPIKE	A	50	KAZ & BETTY PAKULA
22	TREVOR-JONES CUP	BEST SWEET PEA EXHIBIT	A	54 55	CHARLIE LYSONS
23	LESLEY WHITE TROPHY	BEST VEGETABLE EXHIBIT	A	3 To 24	CHARLIE LYSONS
24	EVE CRAWLEY PERPETUAL BOWL	BEST NEEDLECRAFT EXHIBIT	E	123	VICKY JACKSON
25	DEBBIE FROSDICK MEMORIAL PLATE	BEST LILIES	A	49	DR STUART MEESON

Extract of Rules and Awards plus Winners for 2010

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Royal Horticultural Society Banksian Medal for the largest amount of cash won in the horticultural classes excluding special prizes. Winners in previous two shows are not eligible (Nicolette Pike 2008, David Rowlands 2009)

1 st place	Dr Stuart Meeson	£18.50
2 nd place	Kas & Betty Pakula	£17.00
3 rd place	Roger Jones	£16.00
Equal 4 th place	Lou Collis & Charlie Lysons	£9.00

Kenyon Trophy for the greatest number of points won in Division A.

1st = 5 points, 2nd = 3 points, 3rd = 2 points.

1 st place	Dr Stuart Meeson	50 points
2 nd place	Kas & Betty Pakula	49 points
3 rd place	Roger Jones	38 points
4 th place	Charlie Lysons	24 points

The Manorial Children's Trophy for the greatest number of points won in Division D.

1st = 5 points, 2nd = 3 points, 3rd = 2 points.

Equal 1st place James Philip (age 5) and Lauren Woods (age 8) with 10 points

Note that the trophy was awarded to James alone on the basis that Lauren was already the proud winner of two other trophies.

Equal 3rd place Alfie Barrow (age 5), Georgie Barrow (age 10) and Maddie Goddard (age 11) each with 8 points.

Note: a total of 18 children entered 34 exhibits in the Division D classes and class 120 in Division E. Where applicable the children received monetary prizes and all received rosettes.

Steve Thirkettle – Membership Secretary & Show Entries Manager.

VOLUNTARY HELP

The Society can only function if enough volunteers come forward to help run it. We still have a vacancy for a **Secretary**. In addition we now need a **Visits Organiser** from the Spring of 2011 and a **Prizes Manager** for the Show. Also our long-standing **Membership Secretary** and **Show Entries Manager** has indicated that he would like to take a break!

Unless several people come forward to take on these five tasks then the Show and indeed the Society itself will be unable to continue.

It is not necessary for every volunteer to attend every committee meeting (convivial though they are) but we must have more help if you want the Society to survive.

Please contact our chairman – Brian Leversha on 01252 615534

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

All of the hard work put in by your committee and all the helpers resulted in possibly one of the most successful Flower Show and Fetes this year. The feedback is that everyone had a really great time and with the gate and all of the stalls and tea tent up by a good margin it is rewarding to us all that our endeavours were not wasted.

The entries to the Flower Tent were down on last year due to the difficult weather we have experienced in the last six months but were in fact at the same level as the previous year which was itself a record. We have had many comments on the standard of the exhibits and the high level of expertise shown. This of course makes the job of the judges that more rewarding and allows them to do the final judging to their satisfaction.

The layout of the showground was changed and we are very happy that all seemed to be content with their various locations. Putting the fairground down in the other paddock gave the end of the field they had vacated a much more rural feel to it and the animal owners were pleased with it being quieter.

The Barn Dance again ended the day with just about everyone up and dancing including some of the younger ones telling their parents to get in step and stop making mistakes! This is of course just what it is all about and provided great entertainment for the few who do not dance.

A great time was had by all however we do feel let down by some of the attractions not showing up although several had good reasons for not doing so. The one group that caused us most disappointment was the 28th Odiham, Dogmersfield and Crondall Scouts who were booked to do marshalling in the car-park. We gave them credit in the schedules for doing the task but several days before the show they had not confirmed that they were coming and when we contacted them they simply told us that they were going elsewhere. We coped by falling back on our regular helpers.

I would like to thank Sue & Derek Couldwell who have been Treasurer & Visits Organiser for the Society for the last couple of years but have now moved back to Yorkshire. We wish them well in their new home.

We hope to hold the Fete on the 16th of July next year but we must get more people to fill vacancies on the committee. We have not had a Secretary for over a year now with these duties falling on myself but I cannot continue to fill this gap. We also need a Visits Organiser, a Membership Manager, a Prizes Manager and a Show Entries Manager (see box on page 5). If we do not get these helpers then we may be unable to hold the show so please do come forward and not leave it to others as it is **your** Flower Show & Fete and for it to end would be very sad to say the least.

Brian Leversha - Chairman

GARDEN VISITS 2010.

The first visit of the year was on a beautiful sunny morning in May to Adrian and Alison Lamb's home "**Heatherbank**" at Frensham. This is located on a terrace between two roads with the southern side some 8ft above the road with a large old retaining wall. The garden has been completely re-landscaped with the southern border brought in from the wall. We were given a list of the specimen plants that now surround the house demonstrating the level of scholarship that Adrian and Alison have brought to developing the site. The latest addition, an Australian Tree Fern has settled in well under the oak tree on the eastern border. Visitors and hosts then enjoyed lunch at the nearby "Holly Bush" pub.



The second visit was to **Diple Mill** at Mattingley in early June. About twenty members met for lunch and drinks in the "Leather Bottle" prior to the visit. On arrival at the mill we were welcomed by and shown around by the owner who as a small child used to stop while cycling past and lean on the fence thinking how she would love to own the house and garden. Many years later she achieved her dream and has spent many years laying out the several themed gardens we see today.

To begin the tour we were led through a terrace of pleached hornbeams past the Vegetable Patch and in

to the colourful Courtyard Garden with a water rill running in to a small pond where, if you looked carefully, tadpoles could be seen. We then went in to the Hothouse with its lush tropical plants and a potting area. Next came the fragrant Herb and Scented Gardens, buzzing with insects. Then after a short woodland walk we reached the enchanting Grotto Garden with several ferns and other plants that thrive in damp places. A further path took us past the Hay Meadow, where we could see two miniature donkeys in the distance. We then reached the Rose Garden with the Wild Wood as its backdrop. Unfortunately the roses were not yet in bloom so we were not able to experience this delightful garden in all its perfumed glory. After passing a planting of willows with colourful stems we crossed a bridge over the River Whitewater and wandered along the edge of the Water Meadow passing various large specimen trees. From here we turned to amble along the path between the Herbaceous Border, with many lovely flowers in bloom, and one of the mill streams where the numerous beautiful demoiselles flying in the sunshine added to the delights of this garden. This is a truly beautiful fairy tale garden – which is exactly what its owner designed it to be.



The final visit of the season was to **West Silchester Hall..** Oh what a joy so many of you missed. True it was a bit of a trek and the directions to find it were absolutely essential but find it we did to be greeted by botanical artist Jenny Jowett, her lovely husband and extremely well-behaved dog Sepia.

Our first view was of a long border to the right of the driveway and bordering fields. As befitting an artist's garden this border was a wonderful combination of flowers, colours and heights. Amazing tall delphiniums, huge rust coloured clumps of heleniums, rambler roses and intriguing phlomis russuliana all jostled for space but were carefully controlled by virtually invisible staking. From there the garden dipped

down to a ha-ha and pond, wandered across to a wonderfully productive vegetable garden and back again to deep borders crammed with plants all flowering their hearts out. Particularly fascinating was a scarlet monarda which grew extra flowers from the centre of one further down the stem. We noted that a narrow path ran behind the borders to make weeding and staking all the easier. Clever.



Then we made our way slowly to Jenny's large studio where her husband was already standing ready with the hugest pot of tea ever and platefuls of delicious biscuits. We all enjoyed the wonderful plant portraits by Jenny and the equally attractive landscapes and portraits by her husband who, like good husbands everywhere, devoted himself to the hard graft side of gardening whilst leaving colour schemes, dead heading and propagation to his highly talented wife.

SOCIAL EVENINGS

Our talk in February was to have been by **Mark Trenear** on "**Daisies**". Unfortunately he and his wife caught a stomach bug the day before and he had to call off. We were lucky in being able to get **Bernard Potter** to take his place. This was our third presentation by Bernard and he showed us a "**Portrait of Britain**" using his usual very high standard of photography. In the first half we saw buildings and monuments while the second half concentrated on the natural beauty of the British scenery.

As a change from our normal procedure we had no organised activity after the **Annual General Meeting**. Attendees were free to reflect on more general matters and if they wished watched a showing of the Country Ways video "**The Basingstoke Canal in October**" which featured a number of our members. I am too bashful to say whom!

The last talk of the season was by **Chris Howkins** on "**Heathers and Heathlands**". Chris is a remarkable speaker. He stood in front of the audience with his hands deep in his pockets and without notes or visual aids told us of the way in which we had shaped the heathlands and how they had shaped our pattern of living. He also trots out the Latin names of all the species to which he refers.

TALKS PROGRAMME 2010-2011

September 9 th	John Negus	Undercover Work – House and Greenhouse Plants. (This was the talk planned for January which had to be cancelled because of the snow – This is hard to believe as I write this in July).
October 14 th	Richard Tanner	Living with Jane Austen
November 11 th	Jill Chilton	Christmas Decorations - A demonstration by Oasis the florists. (Specially requested by Carol Leversha)
December 9 th		Christmas Event
January 13 th	Richard Thornton	Rhododendrons and Associated Plants
February 10 th	Geoff Hawkins	Growing Vegetables in Small Gardens (At the request of Pamela Bowden-Smith)
March 10 th		ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
April 14 th	Chris Howkins	Trees and People
Summer Break		
September 8 th	Miriam Coyle	The Gardens of Chatsworth
October 13 th	Mark Trenear	Asters and Daisies
November 10 th	Paul Patton	Lawn Care

All of these events are held in the Women's Institute Hut in Crookham Village starting at 7.30pm. The admission fee is £1 for members. Non-members are welcome and are asked to contribute £2.

These social evenings are increasing in popularity. Refreshments in the form of drinks and small eats are provided, free of charge.

We are looking for volunteers to buy and set out the refreshments so if you wish to receive the admiration of our members this is an opportunity to shine. We would only ask you to do one evening.

Patrick Grace

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Membership subscriptions for Full/Associate Family Membership are £7 p/a and Full/Associate Senior Citizen Family Membership are £5 p/a with effect from 1st January 2010. The age for senior citizenship is confirmed at 65 years.

The preferred method for paying subscriptions is by Standing Order (form enclosed). It would be very helpful if those members who do not use this method of payment would consider changing to it. Not all members have adjusted their standing orders for this year's increase in subscriptions and I would ask you to do this now please so that the renewal process in 2011 can run smoothly.

Steve Thirkettle - Membership Secretary

CHELSEA TICKETS

Congratulations to Janet & Philip Kelly who won tickets to the Chelsea Flower Show in our annual members' draw.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWSLETTER

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