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DOGMERSFIELD WINCHFIELD & CROOKHAM VILLAGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



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The editor wishes it known that photos from the flower show included herein are chosen for the photo's impact within the newsletter rather than the judge's decision about the items.

Between issues of our twice-yearly newsletters, updated information on events/visits can be found on the Society's website :
<http://www.dwcvhortsoc.org>

The Society wishes to thank member David Jackson for continuing to act as our webmaster.

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With grateful thanks to Mike Carrington for the fete photographs he took for the society in 2022.
Thanks also to other contributors who supplied photographs with their reports.



From our Chairman

Many hours were spent by the committee during all the months leading up to the show including all the Committee meetings and many many negotiations with all the people who wanted to attend as attractions. Sadly after all the hard work by Sue Smith we were let down at the last minute by several of these attractions.

The show day came round in a blaze. All the Committee and our helpers started to set up on the Wednesday with John Coombes and helpers including a surveyor from Natta laying out the car park using satellite info. The heat made it hard work but under John's command all went well. More work was carried on the Thursday and Friday and thanks must go to all John's helpers especially Stuart Marks wielding his hammer. Also we were glad to have the Air Cadets help who were presented with certificates giving them credit for all their help.

Every year we have some quirks which pop up like the man who delivered the toilets and would not take them off the lorry because he had a different address to Pilcot Farm and a different name for the Treasurer. As I was on site I was able to sort out the problem. We have been dealing with the same company for many years and the info they had was completely out of date.

We set up a new Main Gate this year and it worked well and gave us more control of the public paying to enter to enter the showground. Interesting that even with the heat we were up on the 2019 gate.

The Birds of Prey that were booked for a year told us at the last moment that they would not be coming so I contacted Simon Wilson who also has the same display stand and is popular at the Four Seasons hotel. Simon agreed to come and he was very popular giving lots of information on his beloved birds who stood up proud on their perches.

The Punch and Judy has been attending the fete for thirty two years and he is a most popular choice with the children.

The dog show went ahead regardless of the warm climes and was run by David Jackson and Eddie Probert , the judging being carried out by Rowan Hill. There were eight dogs all trying to attract the judges eye to win, Like many of the attractions I have mentioned you will see photos of them all elsewhere in this Newsletter kindly taken by Mike Carrington.

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We also have to thank Ivan Cresswell for taking on the job as Editor of the Newsletter, this issue being his first one.

Finally we are indebted to Alf White and family for the use of their farm for the weekend and to Julie White for presenting the prizes to all the worthy winners.

Yours

Brian



Trophy Winners 2022

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>DIVIS'N</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>WINNER 2022</u>
The President's Trophy	President's Choice	All	All	Amanda Leathers
R.H.S. Banksian Medal	Most Cash In Horticultural Classes	A		Helen and Paul Baker
Sandars Trophy	Best Collection Of Vegetables	A	1	Not Awarded
Gray Cup	Novelty Collection Of Vegetables	A	2	Not Awarded
Lesley White Trophy	Best Vegetable Exhibit	A	3 - 25	Emma Shaw
Dogmersfield Cricket Club Cup	Family Collection Of Produce	A	28	Norman Stone
Lister Plate	Best Exhibit In Division D Classes 100-107	D	100 - 107	Emilia Martin
Crookham Village Stores Cup	Most Original And Imaginative Entry	D	108 - 115	Claire Kilduff
Foster & Heanes Childrens Challenge Cup	Best Exhibit In Division	D	All	SCHOOL
Manorial Children's Trophy	Most Points In Childrens Division	D	All	Jake Howard
Gough Trophy	Best Pot Plant	A	37 - 42	Martin Squibb
Hazel Croft Tankard	Best Cactus Or Succulent	A	43	Helen and Paul Baker
Terry Minter Cup	Best Roses	A	44	Helen and Paul Baker
Napier Clavering Trophy	Best Bowl Of Roses	A	45	Carol Leversha
Gough Trophy	Best Single Rose	A	46	Paul Brazier
Foster & Heanes Trophy	Best Dahlia Exhibit	A	47	Amanda Leathers
Debbie Frosdick Memorial Plate	Best Lily	A	49	Jackie Creswell

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>DIVIS'N</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>WINNER 2022</u>
Topp Cup	Best Gladiolus Spike	A	50	Helen and Paul Baker
Trevor-Jones Cup	Best Sweet Pea Exhibit	A	54 / 55	Joan and Roger Jones
Kenyon Trophy	Most Points In Division A	A	All	Helen and Paul Baker
Silver Jubilee Plate	Best Arrangement Of Flowers And Foliage In Basket	B	60	Not Awarded
Kirwan-Taylor Cup	Best Flower Arrangement	B	ALL	Bee Webster
Domestic Trophy	Best Exhibit In Division C, Classes 89-95	C	89-95	Paula Brazier
Daegmar Mohair Cup	Best Item Of Childrens Handicraft	E	120	Thomas Blake
Pilcot Farm Trophy	Best Item Of Handicraft	E	121 / 122	Samantha Chisnall
Eve Crawley Perpetual Bowl	Best Needlecraft Exhibit	E	123	Vicky Jackson
Thirkettle Cup	Best Exhibit In Division C, Classes 82-85	C	82 - 85	Lucinda Evans
Sylvia Hebdon Trophy	Best Adult Photograph	E	126	Andrew Miller



Flower Show Winning Entries

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 Classes 120 and 125.

Class	Division A	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Vegetables, four varieties	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Vegetables, One of a kind	1	N/A	Helen Howard	N/A
3	Potatoes	8	Emma Shaw	Manuela Martel	Norman Stone
4	Onions	2	Carol Leversha	Joan and Roger Jones	N/A
5	Carrots	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	Beans, Runner	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	Beans, Dwarf French	2	Joan and Roger Jones	Emma Shaw	N/A
8	Beans, Broad	1	Joan and Roger Jones	N/A	N/A
9	Cabbages	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
10	Cauliflowers	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
11	Calabrese	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
12	Peas	1	Emma Shaw	N/A	N/A
13	Beetroot	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
14	Radishes	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
15	Tomatoes, Regular Fruited	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
16	Tomatoes, Small Fruited	1	Jackie Cresswell	N/A	N/A
17	Mange Tout	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
18	Lettuce	1	Mark Howell	N/A	N/A
19	Shallots - exhibition > 30mm	1	Helen Howard	N/A	N/A

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Class	Division A	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
20	Shallots Pickling ≤ 30mm	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
21	Cucumbers	6	Joyce Brown	Joan and Roger Jones	Jackie Cresswell
22	Marrows, Max 14 ins.	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
23	Courgettes	3	Emma Shaw	Joan and Roger Jones	Helen Howard
24	Rhubarb sticks	4	Emma Shaw	Jen Potter	Mark Howell
25	Any vegetable other than the above	2	Joyce Brown	Joan and Roger Jones	N/A
26	Garden curiosity	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
27	Labelled collection of herbs	2	Ele Stern	Vivienne Taylor	N/A
28	A family collection of produce	1	Norman Stone	N/A	N/A
29	Raspberries with stalks	1	Kerry Ten Kate	N/A	N/A
30	Currants, black, 6 sprays	2	Thomas Blake	Mark Howell	N/A
31	Currants, white or red	2	Sheila Thorns	Helen and Paul Baker	N/A
32	Gooseberries, with stalks	4	Jen Potter	Kerry Ten Kate	Helen and Paul Baker
33	Strawberries, with stalks	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
34	Apples, one variety	2	Lucinda Evans	Helen and Paul Baker	N/A
35	Collection of fruit, any variety	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
36	Any other fruit	2	Manuela Martel	Kerry Ten Kate	N/A
37	Pot Plant, max 5" pot	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
38	Pot Plant, over 5" pot	4	Emma Shaw	Helen and Paul Baker	Manuela Martel
39	Potted Fuchsia	3	Donna Gray	Joyce Brown	Jackie Cresswell
40	Pot Geranium/ Pelargonium	1	Helen and Paul Baker	N/A	N/A
41	Potted Begonia	2	Martin Squibb	Jen Potter	N/A

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Class	Division A	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
42	Pot plant, Fern or Foliar	2	Helen and Paul Baker	Vivienne Taylor	N/A
43	Cactus or Succulent	3	Helen and Paul Baker	Robert Brook	Carol Leversha
44	Roses, 3 Sprays or Stems	4	Helen and Paul Baker	Kerry Ten Kate	Paula Brazier and Tracey Stone
45	Bowl of Roses	2	Carol Leversha	Paula Brazier	N/A
46	Specimen Rose	2	Paula Brazier	Carol Leversha	N/A
47	Vase of Dahlias	2	Amanda Leathers	Donna Gray	N/A
48	Dahlia, Specimen Bloom	4	Amanda Leathers	Carol Leversha	Helen and Paul Baker and Donna Gray
49	Lily, one stem	2	Jackie Cresswell	Carol Leversha	N/A
50	Gladiolus one Spike	1	Helen and Paul Baker	N/A	N/A
51	Grdn Flowers, Four varieties	6	Amanda Leathers	Helen and Paul Baker	Carol Leversha
52	Vase of mixed garden flowers	5	Amanda Leathers	Helen and Paul Baker	Carol Leversha and Kerry Ten Kate
53	Flowering Shrubs, Cut stems	1	Amanda Leathers	N/A	N/A
54	Sweet peas, Six stems	3	Tracey Stone	Joan and Roger Jones	Kerry Ten Kate
55	Vase or Bowl of Sweet Peas	1	Joan and Roger Jones	N/A	N/A
Division A Total Entries			99		



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Class	Division B	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
60	Floral Arrangement: "A Country Basket"	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
61	Floral Arrangement: "Tea for Two"	1	Manuela Martel	N/A	N/A
62	Floral Arrangement: "Branching Out"	4	Bee Webster	Helen Howard	N/A
63	Floral Arrangement: "Metallic and Minimal"	2	Bee Webster	Carol Leversha	N/A
64	Floral Arrangement: "What a find - Petite"	3	Ann Ings	Carol Leversha	Bee Webster
Division B Total Entries		0		10	



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Class	Division C	Entri es	1st	2nd	3rd
80	White Wine	1	N/A	Martin Grinham	N/A
81	Red Wine	1	N/A	Martin Grinham	N/A
82	Jar of Jam	9	Sheila Thorns	Lucinda Evans	Norman Stone
83	Jar of Jelly	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
84	Jar of Marmalade	2	Lucinda Evans	Jerome Farrell	N/A
85	Jar of Chutney	1	Lucinda Evans	N/A	N/A
86	Jar of Dark Honey	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
87	Jar of Light Honey	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
88	Jar of Soft-Set Honey	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
89	6 Welsh Cakes	4	Celia Brook	Claire Kilduff	Jackie Cresswell
90	6 Flap Jacks	2	Lucinda Evans	Helen Howard	N/A
91	6 Cup Cakes - Any Variety	2	Vivienne Taylor	Claire Kilduff	N/A
92	Wholemeal Loaf	1	Sarah Farrell	N/A	N/A
93	White Loaf	2	Roger Cansdale	Jerome Farrell	N/A
94	A 7-inch victoria sponge cake	5	Paula Brazier	Claire Kilduff	Mel Martin
95	Recipe - Chocolate Fudge Cake fit for our Queen	4	Carol Leversha	Lucinda Evans	Barnabas Balint
96	One Large Egg on a Plate - External Appearance	1	Jerome Farrell	N/A	N/A
97	One Large Egg on a Plate - Content	1	Jerome Farrell	N/A	N/A
98	One Bantam Egg on a Plate - External Appearance & Content	1	Jerome Farrell	N/A	N/A
99	Painted or Decorated Egg	4	Claire Kilduff	Barnabas Balint	Helen Howard

Division C Total Entries

41

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Class	Division D	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
100	Finger paint your favourite flower	1	Anabelle Paterson	N/A	N/A
101	Decorate a paper plate	1	Emilia Martin	N/A	N/A
102	Make and decorate a Royal Crown	2	Emilia Martin	Anabelle Paterson	N/A
103	Sprout a bean in a jar	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
104	Bake and decorate a cupcake	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
105	Make a picture of a Royal Carriage	1	Alena Paterson	N/A	N/A
106	Create a Jubilee Garden in a seed tray	1	Jake Howard	N/A	N/A
107	Write a poem on the theme of Summer	2	Ifana Blake	Jake Howard	N/A
108	Plan and draw a Royal Procession in London	1	Jake Howard	N/A	N/A
109	Grow Chives	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
110	Bake and decorate a Jubilee Cake	3	Claire Kilduff	Jake Howard and Grace Maxwell	N/A
111	Make an Orb and Sceptre	1	Jake Howard	N/A	N/A
112	Decorate a boiled egg	2	Claire Kilduff	Jake Howard	N/A
Division D Total Entries				15	



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Class	Division E	Entries	1st	2nd	3rd
120	Children's Handicraft	3	Thomas Blake	Ifana Blake	Grace Maxwell
121	Craft, Functional	6	Olive Masters	Tracey Stone	Ann Ings
122	Art	8	Samantha Chisnall	Manuela Martel	Nicole Le Jeune
123	Needlecraft	5	Vicky Jackson	Celia Brook	Vicky Jackson
124	Knitting or Crochet	3	Carol Leversha	Sheila Thorns	Ann Ings
125	Photo (Child) - "Fun with animals"	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
126	Photo (Adult) - "Sunset"	15	Andrew Miller	Roger Cansdale	Barnabas Balint
Division E Total Entries				40	
Grand Total of Entries				205	



From our Show Entries Managers

We were delighted to hold the 68th Flower Show and Fete at Pilcot Farm, where on a hot summer's day this year we welcomed members and local residents alike to the Show tent, exhibiting some of the best produce from Dogmersfield, Winchfield and Crookham Village. Despite the hot weather presenting a challenge to growing many of the flowers, fruit, and vegetables, we are proud to report a total of 205 entries from 48 exhibitors. As a result, the show tent was characteristically packed full with the impressive hard work of our members.

Division A (fruit, vegetables, and flowers) was the hardest hit by the weather, leading to a lower number of entries than normal. Nonetheless, we had an impressive showing across the board, with some classes receiving high numbers of entries, leading to stiff competition. The potatoes class was particularly popular, with 8 entries, as were the cucumbers, with 6 entries. In the fruit, the most popular class was the gooseberry class, with 4 entries. We were pleased that almost every potted plant class had at least one entry, with several trophies being awarded here. The ever-popular flowers section was equally packed, with a vast array of entries, in particular from the garden flowers classes. As with last year, the President's Trophy came from Division A, awarded this time to Amanda Leathers for her flowering shrubs, cut stems.

The flower arranging from Division B was competitive as ever, with 4 entries to 'Branching Out' and 10 beautiful entries overall in the division. The flower arranging classes never fail to impress us with their creative interpretations of the themes and this year was no exception, with new and innovative creations on 'tea for two', 'metallic and minimal', and 'what a find'!

Division C (domestic classes) has been rising in popularity the last few years, with 41 entries in total this year, bringing it to the second largest division in the show after Division A. The judge thoroughly enjoyed sampling a wide range of wine, jams, cakes, and breads. We were particularly excited this year to be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, for which we had 4 entries to a special 'Chocolate Fudge Cake - Fit For Our Queen' class. These were exquisitely decorated and included layers of chocolate fudge, national colours, and intricate designs. Our egg judge was happy to find entries in every category, with the decorated eggs providing light entertainment for all!

The children's entries (Division D) were also popular, with 15 entries overall, including in their own Jubilee cake class. The children's classes always showcase the outstanding creativity and originality of children's

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work, with poems, paintings, scenes in seed trays, and decorated royal crowns. We were also pleased to host exhibits from Dogmersfield School, where every child contributed a piece.

Finally, Division E (crafts) proved third most popular, with 40 entries in total. We hosted 8 pieces of art in a variety of mediums, including drawing, painting, sewing, and more! The newly-extended category of crochet and knitting had 3 entries, with some impressive entries including a jumper and a bracelet. There were also 3 entries to the children's handicraft. In the photography class, with 15 entries, we saw a fantastic collection of photographs around the theme of 'sunsets', with beautiful scenes from land and sea.

Reflecting on the 2022 fete and show tent, we are immensely grateful to all of our entrants for the time and effort that you put in to creating your amazing entries. Without you, the tent wouldn't be as full and vibrant as it always is, packed with vegetables, fruit, flowers, cakes, crafts, and art! It was - as ever - a pleasure to see them all come together on the day and we look forward to welcoming you all back in 2023.

Barnabas & Nicole

Show Entries Managers

Report from Tea Tent



Me again, sadly the volunteer to take on TT duties was promoted and could again only assist on the day. She gave enough notice so that I undertook to step in for one more year but this is definitely my final Report. I remain on the Committee till March 2023 and if the post remains vacant I will be recommending that the new Committee engage catering vans for the event.

Moving on, yet again those wonderful supporters produced another

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fantastic variety of cakes and biscuits and Four Seasons again kindly supported the Tea Tent hire costs as well donating superb banana cakes. Many thanks again to Simon and Julia for their cakes and for the so welcome bacon butties on the Saturday and Sunday morning. Two years ago the lunch for volunteers was taken on by Donna - many thanks Donna as this very much lightened the load of the TT manager. Carole again gave freely of her time over the 3 days and not only in the tea tent. It's a big effort setting up the Show but there is great camaraderie among all the volunteers. A final Big Thank You to everyone for making the Tea Tent the success it is.

Carol Leversha Tea Tent Manager

Report from Craft Marquee

Within the Craft Marquee were the following exhibitors:

LIVE PAINTING	Fatima Pantoja
SCENTS & CANDLES	Suzanne Hanson
HISTORY GROUP	Bridget Harnett
METAL DETECTING	Mark Davison
STRAW CRAFTSMAN	Michael Gates
NORTH DOWN LACEMAKERS	Margaret Naylor
JEWELLERY & BEADS	Marilyn Rogers, Mary
SPINNERS & WEAVERS	Susan Greenlands





Photos of Dog Classes



Photos of Car Enthusiasts



Reports on Winter Talks

History of Straw Work - 14 April 2022

The use of corn as a form of decoration may have begun in Ancient Egypt where there were a number of Gods associated with different rites to appease the Gods to provide a bountiful harvest. Over the centuries these Gods and traditions travelled into Europe and eventually into Britain. In the 18th and 19th centuries the farmers believed there was a spirit in the corn and she had to be looked after to ensure a good crop in the Autumn. When the last sheaf was cut a labourer might plait an effigy or figure so as to trap the spirit. It was then looked after for the winter. In Spring the effigy would be ploughed back into the soil so the spirit could fertilise the ground and ensure a good harvest.

Corn dollies grew from these rites and traditions. Nowadays we are too sophisticated to believe in such things. Into the 20th century new traditions developed and more complicated "dollies" were made and these became known as traditional corn dollies, such as Yorkshire drop



dolly, Hereford lantern, Suffolk horseshoe and the Welsh Border Fan to name a few. After the Festival of Britain in 1951 the design of the dolly became more varied and new ones were introduced. After about 1970 the designs became even more complicated and the became known as Decorative straw work.

The use of straw as a decorative medium is on the decline and the number of artists making and inventing new dollies is declining too. The art form is on the red list for ancient crafts and may die out if more people don't learn the skills to make them. This is the main reason why I like to give talks and demonstrations to introduce people to the craft.

Michael Gates

RHS Hampton Court Flower Show 2022

Hampton Court flower show was all you could hope for. With fragrant roses, miniature trees on the bonsai stand, garden ponds and their accessories, small and large greenhouses and in the main flower marquee hundreds of assorted seeds and plants just waiting for a new home.

There were lot's of ideas to take home and try to apply to your own garden from the brilliant designer gardens too!

There were lot's of clothes stands, jewellery and food outlets to provide a tasty lunch. Definitely something for everyone!

Sue Smith



Reports on Garden Visits

County Park Nursery - 19 May 2022

We met at Applegarth Farm in Greyshott, kindly organised by Barbara Cairns, for a delicious lunch. On arrival we were shown into a detached garden room where Paul Boosey our host had laid out his grandfather's memorabilia and medals. Paul had also brought examples of his shrubs for us to see and touch, one of which, the bottlebrush plant was very tactile and soft.

Following our tasty lunch Paul spoke to us at length about the history of his nursery. It came about due to his grandfather Graham Hutchins who in 1955 started a nursery in Essex. Over the years Graham who loved

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plants became an expert on various species, namely cacti, and hebes. However, following a trip to New Zealand he secretly brought back seeds which he germinated in his nursery. This was followed by three further trips to NZ importing many shrubs and plants. Graham liked to have unique plants and became very knowledgeable on NZ flora.

Over 50 years, Graham entered RHS competitions and won numerous medals including a gold from RHS Chelsea in 1987. He also designed a garden at the request of the NZ High Commission, for the Queen in Windsor Great Park. Many of his plants have been bought by Botanic Gardens and his legacy can be seen in many of these.



Following his grandfather's death Paul inherited the nursery and over 1,000 plants. Paul felt with his lack of knowledge he did not really want the responsibility of looking after all these special plants so many were given away to botanic gardens including Kew. Paul continued to try and run the nursery in Essex dashing back and forth twice a week. He was trying hard to find a new site for the nursery near Liphook and fortunately in 2016 Blackmore Estates offered him a walled-garden that had been ignored for 35 years. Following clearance of the walled garden Paul then transferred all his plants from Essex. Paul's main interest lies in trimming and pruning plants and we were lucky to get the opportunity to visit his nursery where everything is beautifully laid out. Paul is also interested in breeding new plants - he is currently trying to create a purple pittosporum. Paul's wife Angela very kindly made us tea and cakes. Finally, Paul has been invited by RHS Wisley to take his plants for sale to their autumn show in 2022. This is an exceptional nursery and we could buy plants.

Donna Gray

AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the WI Hall, The Street, Crookham Village, on 10 March 2022 at 7.30pm.

Attendees 35 members

Apologies for Absence - there were none.

1. Chairman's Welcome and report.

Brian welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Our dedicated Secretary Donna Gray has continued to carry out many tasks including the minutes of each meeting. Donna also produces some of the leaflets and notices required by the Committee to keep our Members informed. Her cake making of course goes down well at the Committee meetings.

Thanks to Jill Rowe our Treasurer, who has worked hard to keep the books in order and of course getting through the challenge of getting the accounts past eagle eyed John. Thank you Jill and thank you John for your help.

Our Sue organizes the helpers to run all the society stalls. Sue and family run the show raffle and the bottle stall. Sue is also the Wisley passes guardian. She also buys and lays out the food for many of the talks. This task is also taken on by Barbara Cairns, Monique Bolton, Ann Ings, Donna and tonight Carol and of course their assistants, their hubby's.

I am pleased that we have John & Jen Potter as the Membership Secretaries which involves getting out the Newsletters, Membership cards and collecting subs with the help of Sue and Mike Smith, Malcolm Hiscock and Jill Rowe. Rod and Monique Bolton, Nicole le Jeune, Barnabas Balint, Emma Shaw, Carol Leversha and me. They all also help with the delivering of the Schedules.

The task of Entries Managers has been jointly carried out by Nicole and Barnabas who do a great job. Compliments again have come in on how keen Barnabas was. Thank you both.

We have had another season of popular talks; these included a diverse selection of speakers so we do suit all tastes.

The Christmas Quiz was again great fun. At the last talk we had 40 attendees which is getting near the highest figure of 44.

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Mike Smith is our resident barman at the talks and also helps Sue who kindly buys the wines for the bar and runs the evening's raffle aided by Daisy Thank you all.

Daisy ran the fete White Elephant again aided by Guy and Karen.

The flower show tea tent which was run by Carol Leversha and her dedicated team, to whom we are extremely grateful, especially Julia Ambler who yet again took a day's leave to help set up on Friday and with Simon produce the welcome bacon butties on Show day and on Sunday morning. Also thanks to those who kindly donated cakes. Carol resigned as Tea Tent Manager the post she has held for many years supported by all her friends. We have asked for a replacement to come forward and I am pleased that a great supporter of the Horticultural Society Caitriona McGee has offered to take over but due to work commitments will not be able to take over until next year but will be able to help on the day. Carol has decided to do the job this year to tide us over until then. Many thanks to both Caitriona and Carol.

Again thanks go to our dish-washer for washing up the glasses used at the talks and we have to thank Carol for helping it by loading it up.

Barbara Cairns has again run the Craft Tent and she makes all the bookings and planning for the show plus running the craft tent on show day aided by Angus. An added attraction was Mark and Jo who had their local metal detector finds on display. Les Southall as the Prizes Manager got us sponsors and many prizes for the show raffle. Helen Baker ran our plant stall which made a sizable income which you will see from the accounts. Many of the plants came from the greenhouse of Les and Joyce, thanks to them.

Kay Newby-Driscoll has produced the two newsletters. Thank-you Kay. It makes one proud to deliver such a well-produced product and we have had comments on how enjoyable a read it is. Sadly Kay has resigned as Editor. So we now needed to get someone to take on the job otherwise we will not have a Newsletter which is one of the most important parts of the Society. We are very grateful to Mackenzie Smith Estate Agents for sponsoring the two newsletters again this year. We have had two offers to edit the Newsletter and will shortly be appointing someone.

I have been doing the job as Schedule Manager as we have not had any takers for the role. To be honest I would do a lot of supporting work for John Mullett the past person in this post in that I would do all the contacting of the advertisers as I knew them all fairly well and with many people doing the jobs like the classes it is easier for me to do the job. David Jackson helps on any of the tech jobs with the way people send their amendments. I am pleased that two of our advertisers have moved from half page adverts to full page adverts Again we will be

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calling on the help of the proof readers, Paul and Donna, John Lamb, Steve Thirkettle and Nicole. Thank you all for your help.

We do each year get a lot of help with the Schedule flower entry show classes, which we have to change so thanks to Sue Gibbons.

Peter and Sylvia Leversha helped in setting-up on Friday .They helped also in running the book stall with Monica Lamb.

Malcolm Irwin was our photographer for the show and many of his photos have been included in the Newsletters. Many thanks Malcolm.

Sue Smith, Emma Shaw and Nicole were the collection points for the Show entries. We have had quite a turnaround on a few of the judges and all the new ones have enjoyed doing the judging. We must thank all the judges and their stewards who help Nicole and Barny run a very well organised flower tent. John Lamb, Donna, Barbara Cairns and Barbara Coombes helped in the flower marquee as stewards where needed. Many thanks to all these folk.

David Jackson has been kindly updating the web site for the Society and this is a useful aid for people to follow what the Society has done and what is in store in the future. David also helps out with running the dog show at the fete which was held for the first time last year and was very popular. Entries were down due to the hot weather. Thanks also must go to the dog judge Sheila Thorns and also to Eddie, Paul and Donna's grandson, a very keen helper.

John Coombes did an excellent job of Car Park Manager and set up the car park and arranged for the lads to co-ordinate the traffic on the road into the farm. The Air Cadets ran the car park and they did a very good job and we donated some money to them as a thank-you and we gave them signed certificates of appreciation which Paul produced for their portfolios. We are hoping that they will again be helping us this year. John is also getting the help of the Lions this year

We are extremely grateful to our anonymous sponsor of the show marquee, also Nick at Auto Panel Craft who sponsored the Mill Cottage Farm Experience, Foster and Heanes for the Bagshot Concert Band, to McCarthy Holden as a major sponsor, and of course the Four Seasons Hotel who sponsored the cost of the Tea Tent hire. Linkup Branding Matters sponsored the Dog Show rosettes. These organisations are sponsoring again this year plus. I am very pleased to report that John Whelan of Natta Homes sponsors the insurance costs for the society.

Crookham Village, Winchfield and Dogmersfield Parish Councils each donated £200 towards the Craft Tent.

At last year's Show we had many volunteers who gathered for a hard day's work getting all the Show stalls and equipment transferred from

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the storage container to their allocated places on the showground. Our thanks must go to all of those who helped in any way to get the Show up and running. Also we have had many comments during the year on the enjoyment people get from all our activities and this can only happen with the support and dedication that the committee put in which is backed up by our many many supporters.

We are thankful to Ann Goddard and family who again ran the children's games.

Enthusiasts' Cars and Motor Bikes were well attended because of the weather but we did have some newcomers due to the leaflets that had been put out to owners of cars in car parks and at car shows. Hopefully they will all come again if the weather is the same this year. The motor bikes that had been on a charity run in the morning ending up at our show raised a healthy sum which they donated to the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. A portion of these funds were donated by the Fox and Hounds pub. We must give great appreciation to Paul and Paula Brazier who have donated a trophy for public vote winner of their favorite car and a plate for the motor bikes. This has replaced the £10 prize for each category.

Again at this stage I would like to divert from reporting on last year's fete and put out a plea for help on the Show week-end, helping set up or manning the Society stalls for an hour or so ----please contact Sue Smith on 850900. We have help and support on the days leading up to the Show but we really do need more help on the Sunday.

Finally we, of course, must give our thanks to the White family for the use of their lovely farm for the weekend which enables us to put on a show that we all know is second to none. Also to Julie White for presenting the prizes at the show.

Approval of the Chairman's Report - Proposed by Sue Gibbons, seconded by Rod Bolton

2. Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Show Account

There was no financial data relevant to the Annual Show account in 2020. Therefore figures for comparison purposes are from 2019 and are shown in the left hand column.

Deficit before sponsorship was £2343 in 2021.

This is a good result when compared with the £4158 deficit in July 2019. Although receipts from sponsorship were some £600 down on 2019, an overall surplus of £1647 was achieved.

General Account

Figures for comparison in the left hand column are from 2020.

Income

Annual subscription income was £87 more than in 2020

Expenditure

In 2020 the general fund was distorted by the inclusion of the NFU insurance premium normally charged to the Show account. In 2021 this was charged via the Show account as usual - though much reduced as the Society switched to the RHS group insurance scheme, which though similar in cover, has a much lower premium

The cost of printing the newsletter was covered by estate agent Mackenzie Smith who kindly continued to sponsor this item.

At 31st December 2021 the cash position of the Society was £2710 more than at 1st January 2021.

Thanks are due to John Lamb for his examination of the records on behalf of the membership of the Society

Approval of Accounts - Proposed by Manuela Martell. Seconded by Jen Potter

3. Election of Chairman - Brian Leversha

Proposed by John Potter. Seconded by Rod Bolton

4. Election of Committee en bloc - Secretary - Donna Gray, Treasurer - Jill Rowe, Barnabas Balint, Angus Cairns, Barbara Cairns, John Coombes, Barbara Coombs, Nicole le Jeune Carol Leversha, John and Jen Potter, Les Southall and Sue Smith

Proposed by Jen Potter. Seconded by Karen Ralph.

5. Consider any motion notified to the Secretary - there were none.

6. Tickets for Hampton Court Flower Show - Brian had prepared the draw from all paid up members, which was drawn by Monica Lamb. The winners were Paul and Donna Gray.

There being no further business the meeting was followed by a short talk by Alan Wilson (potato expert) giving advice on the Fun Potato Growing Competition and what he would be looking for when judging in September.



RHS affiliation and discounted entry to RHS

All bona fide gardening clubs and horticultural societies with an annual membership subscription are eligible for affiliation to the RHS. Such clubs and societies should have a remit to promote horticulture at a local level, should hold regular meetings and/ or hold an annual show. The DW&CVHS meets all these criteria and is affiliated to the RHS.

One of the benefits of affiliation is the opportunity to purchase Garden Reduced Price Entry (GRPE) cards. GRPE cards can be used an unlimited number of times during the year and grant up to two people a 30% discount on the normal adult entry rate at any of the four RHS Gardens (except Wisley on Sundays).

Members of the DW&CVHS might like to know that the Society holds two GRPE cards for use by our members. The cards are held by our Chairman, Brian Leversha, and can be borrowed after payment of a £10 deposit.

Please contact Brian as follows: tel: 01252-615534
e-mail: chairman@dwcvhortsoc.org

Church Crookham Garden Society (CCGS)

The CCGS Sales Shed is situated in the Crookham Memorial Hall car park at the western end of Sandy Lane. Opening times are Saturday mornings from 10.00am to 11.30am between February and September. Please take your DW&CV Horticultural Society membership card along. The range of goods available is extensive, from composts and fertilizers to twine and canes. Most of the goods on offer are at prices

that are considerably cheaper than garden centres and DIY shops.

Other products that are available include pesticides and herbicides, lawn-care products, ant and slug killers, plant pots and trays, grit and vermiculite.

Due to very limited shelf life, seeds and bulbs are not stocked. Garden tools are not stocked due to low turnover. For further details see website: <http://ccgsoc.org.uk>.



Newsletter Articles

Whilst it is nice for everyone to get together at our Flower Show and Fete and compare exhibits, as we have two newsletters a year, please send in photographs of some of the more unusual or quirky flowers, fruit, vegetables or even gardens that you have grown or seen during the year.

If you email these in to me with brief covering information, I will do my utmost to include them in our future newsletters—space permitting!

e-mail: editor@dwcvhortsoc.org

The Society would like to thank **mackenzie smith** for sponsoring the printing of this newsletter

Reminder: subscriptions

Reminder: subscriptions will be due 1st January 2023
Current Subscription rates (since January 2010)

Family Membership - £7 per annum

Senior Citizen Family Membership (65 years of age or over) - £5 per annum

Payment preferred by: Cheque/Standing Order or Electronic Bank Transfer (if currently paying by S.O. please ensure that your Bank pays the correct amount).

For further details please contact the Membership Secretaries:- John and Jen Potter:

e-mail: membership@dwcvhortsoc.org.

Note: please send SSAE if you require m/ship card posting.



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IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Next year's Show and Fete:

Saturday 15th July 2023

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