

NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2021

OUR SHOW!







Marquee going upTaking EntriesThe Organisers(All the photographs in this newsletter were taken at the Show by our photographer, Brian Secrett)

The 76th Flower and Produce Show – 28th August, 2021

What a wonderful day we had, back on the Green with the traditional marquee, stalls, tea tent, band and everything else! A huge thank you and a cheer must go to our new organisers, Alison Greenwood and Mandy Botta, together with their whole team, who made such a return possible.



Staging exhibits



Entering jams and jellies

And also of course thanks to the KHS Committee and members who all contributed in so many ways: volunteering, donating, coming along to support on the day and, most of all, exhibiting! The marquee looked stunning, full of amazing vegetables, fruit and flowers despite the awful weather we have had this Summer. And the cookery tables were groaning with cakes, bread and jams – our cookery judge went home absolutely stuffed with good things! A special mention must be given to the craft section this year: Covid lockdowns had obviously encouraged so many talents at home.





Exhibitors numbered 179, which is the highest since 2010 and the second highest since records began in 2005. Of these, 101 were new exhibitors, which is also the highest since records began in 2005.





Judging begins





And here are some of the winners:





Visitors in the marquee







Happy Winner!

The outside stalls, both KHS and others, were busy all afternoon. The band was much enjoyed and children were entertained with a Punch and Judy Show, wheelbarrow races, hook-a-duck etc.





Speech!

Sir David Attenborough with our President, David Collison

Sir David with our Show Organiser, Alison Greenwood

We were thrilled that Sir David Attenborough came to present the cups. He gave a couple of short speeches and was obviously delighted, along with so many others, with this very special community event.



The day was rounded off with the traditional auction of produce, conducted by our President, David Collison, which raised a fabulous $\pounds 1,289$ (bidding being much encouraged by Richard Ward, as usual!) This contributed to an overall final profit made by the Show of $\pounds 3,000$, which is a terrific result.







Membership News

Just as we were going to press, we heard the very sad news of the death of Chris White, who has been an integral part of the KHS Show for many years, and we send our sincere condolences to John and his family.

From the Membership Secretary, Carole Brougham:

We would like to welcome the following new members of the KHS who have joined us this year. Judit and Andrew Becker, Adrienne Brown, Jane Carter, Siobhan Clegg, John and Jane Cowie, Sandra and Graham Day, Rosemary Eadie, Julia Gorrod, Stephanie Griffiths, Lynne Hawkies, Paul Heffner, Jean Jones, Jeremy Lumbers, Tessa Maclean, Maggie Mason, Richard & Sue Mason, Nonn & Jeremy Procter, Lucy Sawyer, Eileen Shaw, Mary Simmons, Mary Smith, Clare temple and Jenny Tonge - and welcome back Siobhan McCammon, Linda Bodily and John Godfrey.





Forthcoming Events

Annual Quiz Night - 2022

We are hoping to arrange this as usual next February in St Winefride's Church hall. Further details will be sent round as soon as possible, but we are thinking of Friday, 4th February, so mark it in pencil in your new diaries!

Proposed Coach Trip to Ireland - 2022

On the way home from our South Wales trip this year a piece of paper made its way up and down the seated KHS coach passengers asking if Ireland would be a popular tour for 2022. Almost everyone entered a big tick so our guide Tony and tour organiser Ellen at Travel Editions set to work to send us a suggested itinerary for a six night/seven day trip based just south of Dublin.

At the moment we await the final details and costings but we do know the date. June 29 – July 5. As soon as the travel agent has been able to confirm everything (not easy with some gardens and hotels not functioning very efficiently because of Covid) everyone will be circulated with the cost and finer details and invited to book a seat.

The plan is to revisit The Royal Goat hotel in North Wales for the first night where we had an enjoyable stay in 2019. This would give us an early start for the three hour boat trip from Holyhead to Dublin. On the day of our arrival in Ireland an afternoon garden tour is planned and we go on from there





Richard Ward's Gardening Tips

Richard is keeping up his gardening notes and the October tips are up on the website, with his advice on home-produced compost!



We hope you enjoyed the Show and these reminders of such a happy occasion. Stay safe, and happy gardening to you all from the Editorial Team

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