

LINDFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Winter Newsletter 2006

Thoughts from your Chairman

Greetings everyone; here we are in autumn 2006 already - how this year has flown. The September Show has come and gone, but what a good show it was! The August rains certainly suddenly produced excellent flowers, fruit and vegetables. In fact there were so many good exhibits that it was difficult to pick out one that outshone the rest. So well done everybody, from grannies and granddads to the children, you all made the Autumn Show one to remember. Thank you.

I hope to see you all at the AGM
Sheila Hobbs

Autumn Show 2006 cups and awards

The Bob Lacey Salver - Peter Day/Caroline Berry
The Massey Dawson Cup – Richard Hilson
The Huddart Cup - Sheila Hobbs
The Helena Hall Cup – Richard Hilson
The National Chrysanthemum Society Bronze Medal & Certificate - P Mace
The President's Salver - P Mace
The Dahlia Cup (open classes) – Richard Hilson
The Dahlia Cup (amateur classes) – Richard Hilson
The Harry Tester Cup – Sheila Hobbs
The Lady Wilkinson Silver Tray – Gill Jones
The Dawson Cup - Tom Hughes
The Penney Cup – Gill Jones
The Morecombe White Cup – Evelyn Drew
The Proctor Cup – M. Mighall
The Ron Pickett Trophy – Michael Elliott
The Shepherd Cup - Michael Elliott
The LHS Junior Perpetual Shield – Katherine Cameron
The Shepherd Perpetual Shield – Hannah Berry
Heart & Soul Shield – Hannah Berry
The Forget-Me-Not Shield - Rachael Berry

BEST IN SHOW

Vegetable – Richard Hilson
Pot Plant – Michael Figg
Fruit – Sheila Hobbs
Cookery – Philippa Chorley
Handicraft – John Harvey
Flower – Michael Figg

Pat Whetstone

Christmas Social

Tickets for the Christmas Social on Friday 1st December are now on sale and will be available for purchase at the AGM. As demand is always high for this enjoyable event do not delay in buying one for the best Christmas social event in Lindfield.

Alison Coburn

Bargain corner

Yes the item you all wait for with baited breath has returned. Yet another fantastic opportunity going for free presents itself and a telephone call will secure it. So if you could use a paraffin greenhouse heater, which has had light use, with one burner and two wicks then speak to John on 412679 and it can be yours.

Editor

LHS Talks

Several members have requested that tea / coffee and biscuits be provide during our talks programme at the King Edward Hall. Your committee is always happy to try and respond to members ideas and is grateful to Gillian Macmillan for volunteering to organise a rota of helpers. We would like to introduce this facility as from the January talk but do not want to rely on the usual small group of people who already do so much for the Society, as well as elsewhere in the Village. Therefore we are seeking some new names to take the occasional turn on the rota, men as well as women. If you would appreciate the introduction of tea and coffee at our talks please volunteer to help and contact Gillian (453608). Should the majority of our members only be prepared to drink the tea and coffee but not help provide it, then regrettably the facility will be withdrawn after the January meeting.

Editor

AGM 8th November 2006 at 7.30pm

The agenda for the AGM is attached to this newsletter and we would ask all members to attend. The meeting starts 30 minutes earlier than normal and will only last a half to three quarters of an hour. Your Society always is keen to receive nominations for officers or committee members so if you can help please put your name forward.

The AGM is followed by a talk.

Michael Elliott

Lindfield Horticultural Society

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October 2006

Notice is hereby given that the **Annual General Meeting** of the above named Society will be held on Wednesday the 8th November 2006 at 7.30pm in the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

AGENDA

- 1) Chairman's Welcome
- 2) Minutes of the 2005 AGM
- 3) Matters arising there from
- 4) To consider the Chairman's report for the year 2005/2006
- 5) To adopt the Statement of Accounts for the Year ending the 30th September 2006
- 6) Election of Chairman
- 7) Election of Officers: -

Vice-Chairman	Show Secretary
Secretary	Flower Arranging Steward
Treasurer	Catering Supervisor
Show Superintendent	Sundries Centre Supervisor
- 8) Election of a Committee of not more than nine members
- 9) Appointment of an Auditor
- 10) Any Other Business

Alison Coburn,
Honorary Secretary

N.B.

Nominations for Chairman, Officers or Membership of the Committee should be made on the form at the end of the newsletter and must reach the Honorary Secretary by Wednesday 1st November 2006.

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Minutes of the AGM of the Society held on the 9th November 2005 in the King Edward Hall.

- 1) The Chairman, Mrs Sheila Hobbs opened the meeting and welcomed the Members attending.

Apologies for Absence were received from John and Mary Gratwick, Neal and Nita McNamara, Tony Lambert, Lavinia Malins, Pat Whetstone, Vivian Forwood and Doug and Margaret Richardson.
- 2) Minutes of the meeting of the 2004 AGM were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record
- 3) Matters Arising. There were no specific items not on the agenda.
- 4) The Chairman presented her report and stated that she had had a most enjoyable year, which was mainly due to all the help and support offered by the Members, her Committee and especially her husband David. She gave an overview of a difficult growing year but nevertheless a most successful one for the Society. The President thanked the Chairman for all her efforts to which the Members present wholeheartedly agreed.
- 5) The Treasurer gave an overview of the accounts and the position as at the 30th September 2005. Although the accounts showed a deficit in the year, he felt that the financial position was extremely sound. During the year donations of £1000 for new lighting in the King Edward Hall and £250 to the Royal Horticultural Society towards the new greenhouse had been made which more than accounted for the deficit. Before asking for the adoption of the Accounts the Treasurer thanked the Examiner Alan Spicer. The Chairman thanked the Treasurer for his report and all his work.
- 6) Election of Chairman The President took the Chair. Mrs Sheila Hobbs was elected unanimously.
- 7) Election of Officers The following Officers were elected: -
Vice Chairman: Tony Lambert Secretary: Alison Coburn
Treasurer: Michael Elliott Show Secretary: Pat Whetstone
Flower Arranging & Cookery Steward: Gillian Macmillan

The position of Show Superintendent remained vacant but the meeting was pleased to note that Audrey Kite would continue to act as Catering Supervisor and that Noreen Smith would run the Sundries Centre although they would not be sitting on the Committee.

- 8) **Election of the Committee** The following existing Committee were elected on block: - Anne Marsden, Tom Hughes (Membership), Peter Day (Talks and Raffles) and Leon Baker. Lavinia Malins who was co-opted during the year as Minute Secretary and Martin Higgins were proposed, seconded and duly elected.
- 9) **Appointment of Examiner** Alan Spicer had offered to stand again; he was thanked and duly elected.
- 10) **Any Other Business** The reduced turnover at the Sundries Centre was of concern, it was agreed to continue and all Members were urged to use the facility.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Nominations for Chairman, Officers or Membership of the Committee should be made on the form below and must reach the Honorary Secretary by Wednesday 1st November 2006.

I propose the appointment of

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as..... of the Society for the forthcoming year.

Signature.....Address.....

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I second the proposal

Signature.....Address.....

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If appointed I am willing to serve

as.....

Signature.....Address.....

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