

HORDLE GARDENING CLUB



September 2018

We extend a warm welcome to all our members attending our next meeting on Friday 28th September at 7.30pm at the Hordle Community and Sports Pavilion, where we will be welcoming back Steve Austin with a talk on "Planning and Planting for the year ahead", Steve is an enthusiastic presenter with a vast knowledge in Horticulture. When he left school Steve studied for a national Diploma in Horticulture. He has worked for Hillier Garden Centre, and was selected as Product Manager for Hillier Wholesale Nurseries. He now runs a large commercial plant nursery in the New Forest.

For health and safety reasons, please remember to sign in at the Front Desk.

The July meeting was attended by 35 members plus 2 guests.

Exhibit of the Month

For September is - 3 Tomatoes

Hordle School Gardening Club

Unfortunately as we have not be able to get enough volunteers to assist at The Hordle School Gardening club we have had to advise the School that we are unable to assist at this time.

Closed show

We had over 100 exhibits, which was a great show, considering the hot weather that we had, so well done to all who bought entries

Best in Show for Fruit &Vegetables - David Walker

Best in Show for Flowers & Plants – David Walker

Best in Show for Cakes and Preserves - Michael Reeves

Best in Show for Photography - Brian Vincent

Well done to all the winners.

Special thanks to Kate for organising the show. Also thanks to Roy and Susan for judging on the night

BBQ 3rd August

38 members attended the annual BBQ on a nice warm evening, where they were treated, to great food which was well-cooked by Brian Vincent and Michael Reeve. The meal was followed by a Quiz in 2 parts with all taking part, so thanks to Michael and Jenny for providing the Quiz, and everyone that helped in providing the food for the evening, Sue, Jan, Kate, Jenny and Paula.

Skittles Evening 15th August

Once again we held our annual Skittles evening at the Walkford, where over 20 members attended for another great evening. The evening was well received by all who attended, also a basket meal was provided during the evening, which most people seemed to enjoy.

The Skittle winners were:

Ladies. Allison Collier

Men's. Bob May

Knockout. Ron Denley

Prizes were presented to all our winners.

Special thanks to Jan Smith for organising the event.

Hordle Show 1st September

This year's event was held on a warm sunny day and once again our stall was well stocked with plants and sundry items for sale .The proceeds after a busy afternoon amounted to £207.75 for our club funds ,many thanks to all that contributed items to our stall and also to the committee and members for setting up and manning the stall during the day .

Begonia competition: we had 13 Entries for the competition this year, which was a good turnout creating a wonderful coloured display. Well done to all that entered. Prizes were given for the best 3 entries, and the winners were

1st Place -Les Meldrum £10 Garden voucher

2nd Place -Karen McIntyre £5 Garden voucher

3rd Place -Dave Walker Bottle of wine

Many thanks go to Chris Lisher for judging on the day.

Exbury Gardens

Nerine exhibition

Meet in the 5 Arrows Car Park not the main car park (as usual)
Saturday, 13th October, 10.30 am arrive for 11.00am start. Tea/ coffee biscuits will be available. There is no charge, and I will be giving out passes for free entry to the gardens after visiting the Nerine Exhibition and greenhouse display.

Please can I have names of those going by Monday 8th Oct. so I can let Exbury know which will be a great help. It should be a good year, thanks to all this Sun this summer.

Christmas Buffet and Party Night Saturday 24th November

Places will be limited to 50 members this year, so if you wish to attend, please see Sue at the information desk to add your name to the list. More information re cost and the theme for the party will be announced at the October meeting. If spare places are available you will be allowed to bring your wife/husband, partner or friend.

October Speaker

Will be Geoff Hawkins with a talk on Ground Cover

Exhibit of the month

October is 3 Fruit of any kind, all the same or mixed. This will be the last exhibit of the month, and it is tight at the top, so let's get a good turnout.

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