

Horsenden Allotments and Gardens Association

Behind the Scout Hut, adjacent to 415 Whitton Avenue East Open Sundays 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon Email: greenfordhaaga@gmail.com. Website: greenfordhaaga.wordpress.com

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H.A.A.G.A. SUMMER SHOW SATURDAY, 9TH JULY 2016 ALL HALLOWS CHURCH HALL, ELTON AVENUE, GREENFORD

With two weeks to go till the Summer Show, there appears to be plenty of flowers around and the soft fruits are beginning to ripen, so hopefully there will be plenty of exhibits for the Show. Classes for the Show cover all the seasonal flowers, fruit and veg, as well as Domestic, Handicrafts, Floral Art and Wine making, and specific classes for young persons.

If you want to put some entries in the Show, please refer to the current Show Schedule (page 2 'Rules for Exhibitors') for guidance - copies are available from the HAAGA trading hut. If you have any queries, please contact either myself or Colin Lathwell; we will be pleased to help. All entries for the Show must be sent to us (Colin or myself) by 8pm on Thursday 7th July; the Church Hall will be open from 9:30 to 12:30 for staging of entries on the 9th.

To those who received trophies* at last year's Summer Show, please return them when you bring your entries on 7th, or at the Show (if this is not possible, please get in touch with me before Thursday 7th July and I will arrange to collect them). For those who just want to look, the show will be held at All Hallows Church Hall, Elton Avenue and will be open to all from about 3pm. Admission is free. There will be a raffle, refreshments will be available, and there may be various things for sale.

The classes counting towards the Harry Greenway Cup are as follows:

Class 23: Pelargonium, zonal (geranium), one

Class 45: Peas, 6 pods

Class 71: Soft fruit flan

^{*}Award Cup, Bill Carey Salver, Oakwood Cup, Diamond Jubilee Tankard, Helen Coe Rose Bowl.

Posters and post-its

Many thanks to those who displayed a poster and/or delivered leaflets before the Spring Show. I shall as usual use past volunteers for this task again (unless they advise they are not available), but as ever, additional volunteers are very welcome. So if anyone is willing to help by doing (for example) their own road, or part of a road, please let me know, and also if you can display a poster (A3 or A4).

Pam Essex, Show Secretary, 020 8903 2361. Also Colin Lathwell, 020 8902 8756

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A CLASS, OR CLASSES, AT THE SUMMER SHOW?

For just £1 you could sponsor a class of your choice at the Summer Show. A card will be placed on the Show Table:-

"THIS CLASS SPONSORED BY"

Your name

If you wish to remain anonymous, then the card will be marked as "A.N. Other. If you are not sure about which class, then just leave it to the Show Secretary! Several people sponsored classes at the shows last year, which many people thought added further interest to the show and the exhibits. Please give your sponsorship requests to any Committee Member, as early as possible before the show. Saturday morning, the day of the Show, would be fine too! Thank you.

Eddie Weston, Chairman, 020 8902 4777

TRADING

Trading has been steady and we are grateful for your support. The recent very wet weather should have helped to settle your flowers and vegetables. We have a good supply of Growmore and Fish, Blood and Bone, also slug pellets to help the plants. We recently purchased a seaweed product which is selling out quickly. Potatoes and onions have sold well, although a few remain. Bedding plants have now sold out and the quality was good – we hope members who bought these are satisfied.

Bob Axbey, Secretary, 020 8900 0048

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We have 208 members which includes 7 life members and 19 new members. We still have 69 members from last year that have yet to renew. We now have 61 plotholders.

Newsletter delivery: 8 by post and 50 by email, the rest by the road stewards or collected from the hut.

The community plot is looking good. The plants are loving the sun and rain. We have poppies galore. When we manage to enjoy our coffee mornings in the pergola we can see how well the plot is improving. I am enjoying all the fresh cakes and biscuits, along with the good company. Hope to see more of you at our next coffee morning 12th July 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Rajni Jarrett, Membership Secretary