



Newsletter 5 – May 2022

Dear Members,

Following a super talk by Graham Talbot last month there was an equally successful Spring show, details of the winners in each class being available later in the newsletter. Special congratulations to Margaret Finch though, for winning the George Brown cup as overall winner.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you this week for the talk on, “Growing Mediums - The Root to Planting Success”. Ray Broughton will be giving the talk, and cover things such as when to use perlite/vermiculite etc as well as what to consider as we begin move to peat-free compost, in anticipation of the unavailability of peat-based products coming into force in just a couple of years. It should be an informative and thought-provoking talk!

Julie Sheppard

SUMMER SHOW

Summer show entries ** Important - please read ***

- Entries must be in handed in, with the fee, by 12 noon on Thursday 16th June. Entry forms can be found in the show schedule.
- Entries can only be handed in either at the Trading Hut or delivered to one of the following addresses:
 - 10 Nightingale Gardens, Sandhurst, GU47 9DQ
 - 174B Branksome Hill Road, College Town, Sandhurst, GU47 0QQ
 - 16 Oaktree Way, Little Sandhurst, Sandhurst, GU47 8QS

Cups and trophies

Please return cups and trophies (for the summer show only) as soon as possible, preferably to the Trading Hut, ensuring they are cleaned and polished first!

TRADING HUT

We continue to be open Wednesday afternoons 2 - 4pm until the end of June and Sunday mornings 9 - 10.45am until the end of July but please note, owing to activities on the park the

*****HUT WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY 3RD JULY *****

Help needed: Lesley Williams organises the rota of helpers at the hut. She is finding it difficult to get members to do the lifting so if you can do this for 2 hours on a Sunday or Wednesday please get in touch with Lesley. Email: johnwilliams288@hotmail.com

FUTURE OF THE TRADING HUT

Finally, a group of members to take over from Jane Heritage at the end of the year is beginning to emerge but do read on, the future of the hut is still in the balance unless more can be volunteers can be found. It looks like monitoring stock, ordering, stocktaking and keeping paperwork up to date is now covered but other jobs are not. For example:

1. Someone to coordinate an existing list of volunteers to meet delivery lorries, unload and organise the stock in the hut. Lifting and pallet moving involved.
2. Volunteer(s) to take trading stock to club nights and shows.
3. Volunteer(s) to deal with the weekly takings at the hut.

We envisage the team keeping in contact via email/phone and occasionally getting together if needed. In general, they will report to the club committee but not attend meetings unless necessary. Can help with any of the above or want to know more? Contact Jane Heritage, details at the end of the newsletter.

PLANT SALE DAY: it's nearly here!!!

WHEN? Saturday 28th May, 10:00am - 2:00pm
WHERE? 13 Broom Acres, Sandhurst, GU47 8PN
WHAT? Lots of plants and lots of cake!



Please come along to the Sandhurst Gardening Club Plant Sale; new this year is tea and home-made cakes!

Please bring plant contributions if you can. Get rid of that plant you never wanted, sow a few extra seeds, strike some cuttings or make some divisions to contribute plants to the sale. Either drop them off beforehand at the Plant Sale address (above) or bring them along on Plant Sale Day

DO YOU FANCY A PLEASANT HOUR OR SO OUTDOORS WITH REFRESHMENTS?

Sandhurst Allotments have, once again, very kindly offered to provide a guided tour of the allotments with refreshments afterwards. Details as follows:

Date: Thursday 7th July at 2pm

Venue: Sandhurst Allotments (gate at the end of the road past the hut)

Refreshments available for a voluntary donation to the allotment funds.

Parking: Either Pistachio's Café or the Community Hall car park. Members on the tour will not be covered by the Allotment group insurance. There are no toilet facilities on site.

If you would like to book then contact Jane Heritage – details at end of newsletter. Numbers will be limited

TRIPS AND OUTINGS

Sir Harold Hillier Gardens in Romsey

Coach trip to Harold Hillier Gardens on Saturday 17th September 2022. Cost of the outing £28.00
 The Sir Harold Hillier Gardens is an arboretum comprising 72 hectares accommodating over 42,000 trees and shrubs in about 12,000 taxa, notably a collection of oaks, camellia, magnolia and rhododendron. There are still places available for this trip; please print and complete the attached booking form. If you have already booked a place and not yet paid, please do so as soon as possible,

preferably by bank transfer. Alternatively, Committee member Liz Crow will be able to take your payments on club night.

Sheila Davenport

LATE SPRING SHOW

Number of entries: 38

Number of entrants: 12

Class	Description	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Trumpet daffodil, 1 bloom, yellow	Tony Winter	-	-
2	Trumpet daffodil, 1 bloom, any other colour	Margaret Finch	-	-
3	Trumpet daffodil, 3 blooms	-	-	-
4	Large cup daffodil, 1 bloom	Margaret Finch	Tony Winter	Sylvia Tansley
5	Large cup daffodil, 3 bloom	Margaret Finch	-	-
6	Small cup daffodil, 1 bloom	Margaret Finch	Peter Radband	Peter Radband
7	Small cup daffodil, 3 bloom	-	-	-
8	Double daffodil, 1 bloom	Margaret Finch	Peter Radband	Sylvia Tansley
9	Double daffodil, 3 blooms	Peter Radband	Sylvia Tansley	-
10	Daffodils any other divisions, 3 blooms	Margaret Finch	Peter Radband	-
11	Polyanthus, mixed, 5 stems	-	-	-
12	Container of flowering daffodils	Peter Radband	-	-
13	"Tiptoe through the tulips" - exhibit	Jill Roberts	Ruth Page	-
14	"April showers bring May flowers" - exhibit	Ruth Page	Jill Roberts	-
15	Tulip, 1 bloom, 1 colour	Jean Bromham	Lorna Neighbour	Jill Humphreys
16	Tulip, 1 bloom, multi coloured	Sylvia Tansley	Jean Bromham	Tony Winter
17	Tulip, 1 bloom, serrated petals	Jill Roberts	Sylvia Tansley	-
18	Tulip, 1 stem, multi head	-	-	-
19	Vase of tulips, mixed, 9 stems	Carole Hickman	-	-
20	Vase of daffs, mixed, 9 stems	-	Peter Radband	-
21	Vase of flowering shrubs, 3 stems	Carole Hickman	Rachel Parker	-
22	Flowering pot plant, max pot size 203mm (8")	Daphne Hope	-	-

Highest Points Classes 1 to 10: Certificate & voucher for £3: Margaret Finch

Highest Points Classes 15 to 19: Certificate & voucher for £3: Sylvia Tansley & Jean Bromham

Highest Points Overall: The George Brown Cup: Margaret Finch

Highest Points Classes 15 to 19: Certificate & voucher for £3: Len Horne

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UPDATE FROM THE AGM

Afternoon club meetings: several members asked the committee to explore the possibility of having a talk in the afternoon during the winter months. This is something we have progressed and are hoping to hold 2 such events next winter as 'test' events, one before Christmas and one after. We will keep you posted!

Teas: some of the men have agreed to run the teas one club night – this will be in July. Any men willing to help, please get in touch with Steve Roome, details below.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

If you paid your membership fee online there is a membership card waiting for you at the trading hut and at club night. This gives all the club night and show dates, also the trading hut opening times and dates throughout the year. Please come and collect yours.

CONTACT DETAILS:

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Please include a SAE with your completed membership form.

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