

LITTLE COMMON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2011

Annual Show

The major event in this year's calendar took place on Saturday 13th when we held our Annual Show at Little Common Community Centre. Entries were on a par with last year, competition fierce but friendly, and the visiting crowds had plenty to feast their eyes on. Congratulations to everyone who took part. The Mayor, Cllr Stuart Wood, enjoyed his visit and we were especially grateful for his encouragement to the youngsters who took part and who are the future gardening generation!

New Members

A very warm welcome to new members Tom and Betty Turner, Neil Flowerdew and Angela Seyfang, who joined at the July meeting, and all the following who took the opportunity to join the Society on the day of our Annual Show – Keith Barton, Mark Collins, Alan Loze, Patrick and Pamela Devitt, John and Sheila Dowling, John Gent, Alma Willson, Sandy Gray, Gillian Schiffeen, Ron and Rita Thompson, Ian and Carole Woodland.

Membership

To comply with Health & Safety Regulations you must show your membership card and sign in at all monthly meetings. If you cannot produce your card a £1.00 entry fee will be charged, with funds raised going towards the costs of speakers.

Visiting Speakers

If you would like a talk on a particular gardening subject or plant species, or know of a good speaker please talk to our programme secretary, Ed Walker, who will do his best to include your ideas in the 2012/13 listing.

Little Common Village Fair

On a very difficult day weatherwise, thanks to Wendy, Pat, Sara and Barbara for running the LCHS Plant Stall at the Village Fair on Saturday 17th July. Despite the rain and wind, which fortunately eased down by the opening at 4.00pm. we handed over in excess of £40 to the Little Common Business Association as our contribution to their unstinting efforts to keep the village lively and pleasant for everyone to visit.

Autumn Outing

On 26th October we will be running an afternoon outing to Sheffield Park Gardens, leaving Little Common at 12.00 noon. Don't forget to see Mandy at the September meeting to book your place on the coach - £9.00 if you are a member of The National Trust (add National Trust entry fee if not). This 120 acre Grade 1 listed garden was laid out in the 18th century by "Capability" Brown and features 4 lakes reflecting the exquisite planting of trees and shrubs, and autumn brings a spectacular show of colour.

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Please help by offering to give a hand with tidying away the chairs and tables at the hall at the end of each monthly meeting and/or helping in the kitchen with teas and coffees during the interval at meetings (speak to Joan Moss)