

Autumn Show report

It was lovely to see you all again this September. Thank you so much for pulling out all the stops and putting on a really good show, considering the blisteringly hot summer we had. I know a lot of my cut flowers just gave up the ghost but many of you managed to keep things going and the horticultural judge was extremely impressed. Well done everyone, but particularly to Jan and Barbara who manage the shows for us, with all the extra paperwork it entails. Thanks to all of you who helped with setting up on Friday night. It made a huge difference. Thanks also to the refreshments team, led by Janet Todd, who I am so grateful to for taking this responsibility on. Not forgetting the raffle ladies, Brenda and Lesley. You all did a stirring job of raising funds to help pay for the show. The results of the show are on the next two pages and then we have my chairman's chat on page 4, with the poster for the Munstead Wood talk finishing up the newsletter.



Thanks to Phil for taking the time to produce these photos.

COMING UP

TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER

A guest speaker from the National Trust will give a talk on Gertrude Jekyll and Munstead Wood

WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

Our AGM and members social, comprising a fish and chip supper and quiz. Details to follow soon.

THE AUTUMN SHOW RESULTS

*PRESENTATIONS BY BARBARA BEADLE ,
joint show manager.*

GORDON AUSTIN CUP

For Best Rose Exhibit

Jill Long



HUGH CHANDLER CUP

For Best Exhibit of Cut Flowers, excluding roses

Margaret Ashwell



HICKMOTT CUP

For Best Exhibit in Class 22 (Azaleas)

Lesley Ives

JACK SIMMONS CUP

For the Best Flowering Pot Plant

Lesley Ives



MOSS SILVER RAKE

For Best Exhibit of Fruit or Vegetables

Margaret Ashwell



GRINDLING CUP

Exhibitor obtaining the highest points in the
Vegetable Section in the Autumn Show

Lesley Ives

WADDINGTON CUP

For the Best Floral Arrangement in Class 61

Liz Simmons



MISS CAMPBELL-TILEY CUP

For the Best Floral Arrangement in Class 62

Lesley Ives

ANNUAL AWARDS

The Dennis Amy Spoon for the most points in the preserves classes	Lesley Ives	
The Miss Farnham cup for Cook of the Year	Lesley Ives	
The Farnham Cup for Gardener of the Year	Margaret Ashwell	
The Photography Trophy	Kaya van Walt (apologies that due to a technical hitch I have had to use last year's photo)	



Lesley may not be Gardener of the year but she certainly had a huge haul of cups !

SHOW FINANCES

Expenses

Judges

Total £96.75 of which 50% was for the floral art judge.

Hall hire cost - £187

Income

£133 (raffle)

£117 (teas & cake)

Making only a small loss of £33.75 on the whole function.

Chairman's Chat

In September we had a very informative talk by Rosy Hardy and she brought some more about and to popular. I was small lobelia and now and in competition was won by Dot Parkinson with Rhodochiton. Phil Lewis very kindly made a note mentioned as he could, which I have put on this



unusual varieties to talk sell, which was very particularly taken by the saxifrage which flower shade—perfect!



The BAFTA this beautiful of as many plants page.

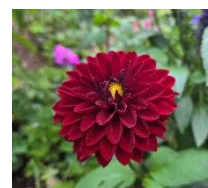


Since the show we have had some rain and the garden has begun to recover a bit. The Salvias have soldiered on but of course do not cut very well. I do love them though and could not resist buying a couple more at the RHS Wisley show. These are some of my favourites that I have grown for a long time.



Clockwise from top left: Delice Aquamarine (half hardy) Flower Child (hardy) Cero Potosi (hardy) and Jezebel (hardy) I hope to get some cuttings of these through the winter to bring to our plant sale.

My dahlias now have buds and some are even opening!
(I've explained to them that it's a bit late now!!!)



Clematis "Arabella" has flowered non-stop all season, whereas others have flowered again once spent foliage and flowers have been trimmed off. Either way they have done remarkably well. I guess we've all had different successes depending on our soil, which does vary in this area.

If you have success with a favourite plant that you could write about please let me know, as it's good to share information about what is growing in our local climate.

PLANT LIST

Lobelia pendula
Saxifraga fortunei 'Planet Saturn'
Eurybia divaricata
Actaea "Queen of Sheba"
Persicaria virginiana var. filiformis
Pulmonaria
Anemone 'dreaming swan'
Origanum
Saponaria X lempergii 'Max Frei'

Nepeta 'Chettle Blue'
Dianthus superbus 'Primadonna'
Cuphea hyssopifolia 'Purple'
Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii 'Goldsturm'
Chrysanthemum 'Dixter Orange'
Potentilla nepaulensis 'Miss Willmott'
Salvia uliginosa
Salvia 'Amistad'
Salvia nemorosa 'Amethyst lips'
Salvia microphylla 'Cerro Potosí'

TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER



IAN MOLESWORTH

GERTRUDE JEKYLL AND MUNSTEAD WOOD



Ian is the Munstead Wood Site Manager

In April 2023 the National Trust purchased Munstead Wood the former home of the renowned gardener Gertrude Jekyll who lived there from 1897 until her death in 1932.

It was here that Jekyll created her own garden, established a nursery, wrote books, articles and designed over 400 gardens across the British Isles, Europe and the USA.

This talk will include interesting facts of the life of Gertrude Jekyll, her successful partnership with Arts and Crafts architect Edwin Lutyens and the National Trust's current plan to restore the house and garden.

THE CHICHESTER HALL

Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30 start

Entry free to members, £5 to non-members.

Welcome drinks available