

NEWSLETTER

CRAWLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Sadly we have decided to keep the shop shut for now. This is to keep staff & customers safe. In 2020 we had to trade with skeleton staff to keep our elder & more vulnerable staff safe. This is something we will continue to do this year until things get back to normal.

However, we have a click & collect service so you can order and then drive up, open boot & we will put it in.

I can't even begin to thank all the people who have helped to keep us trading. Whether it was setting up the covid safe procedures, serving, cleaning, setting up extra mobile payment stations to try and keep queues short, making drinks and even home made cakes and savouries delivered to us. I want to thank customers for their understanding and patience during these peculiar times.

Information will be updated on website, Facebook and (emails -if you signed the GDPR)

BARRY MORTON

TRADING REPORT

WELL, WHAT A YEAR THAT WAS !! Flood, drought and then the virus. Hopefully 2021 will get better.

Since reopening we have had lots of new members. Long may it continue. It has been a headache getting supplies because of the lockdown, but I think we have managed to keep everyone supplied with compost etc. We are well stocked now, with another load due in February.

Seed potatoes are due in week ending 17th January. Shallots, garlic and onion sets due in January. Dahlia tubers and a few bulbs are due in February

JOHN GREEN

SHOW REPORT

Hello everyone. I do hope this letter finds you all in good health and that you and your family have avoided being unwell with covid 19, and the impact of this infection have been minimal for you all. I don't know about you, but I for one will be glad to see the back of 2020.

For our new members, my name is Helen and I became show secretary at the end of 2019 and I was looking forward to organising the shows in 2020. As covid stopped me organising all of last years shows, I am hoping to organise at least some of the shows this year - fingers crossed! If you hold a copy of our 2020 show schedule, please keep hold of it as we will run with the same itinerary printed in that booklet for this year. The only thing that will change is the date of each show.

All members, please do pop in to renew your membership and at same time pick up a copy of show schedule. (This is also available on line, which saves us the cost of printing.) There are lots of sections to enter, and, if you're good at baking, there is a domestic section to show off your skills. In our Autumn 2019 show, we saw a big increase in entrants across all our classes.

It's quite exciting to find one of your exhibits that you have entered has won a prize. If you're not too sure about entering, please do pop down to the hall on show days and have a look at the wonderful exhibits. It may just give you that boost to enter at the next show

While you're at the show why not stop a little longer and have a cup of tea or coffee with a slice of scrumptious cake all made and served by one of our lovely volunteers. You could also win a prize in our raffle (donations are always welcome)

Wishing you all a good growing season

HELEN PARTRIDGE

2021 SHOW DATES

SPRING SHOW	SATURDAY 3rd APRIL	1:30 - 4:PM
ALPINE SHOW	MONDAY 19th APRIL	8 - 10:PM
SUMMER SHOW	SATURDAY 19th JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
PELAGONIUM & GERANIUM SHOW	SATURDAY 19th JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
FUCHSIA SHOW	SATURDAY 24th JULY	1:30 - 4:PM
AUTUMN SHOW	SATURDAY 4th SEPTEMBER	1:30 - 4:PM

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Due to covid we will be delaying our A.G.M until a later date. We will keep you informed via website, e-mail, Facebook. You can always ring the shop mobile out of hours, as one of our staff has it for any queries.

JEANNETTE ALLEN

HALL HIRE

all the committee members who give up so much time and work very hard behind the scenes to give our members a great choice of products at great prices.

We are always in need of shop volunteers. If you can help, please enquire in the shop

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GROUP PROGRAMMES 2021

FUCHSIA, PELAGONIUM & ALPINE GROUP

(Third Monday of every month at 8:PM)



Like everything, Covid has managed to keep our meetings closed. Hopefully, once things get back to the new normal we will once again be able to resume our meetings.

Until then, stay safe & well.

Look forward to seeing you all again once safe to do so

JOHN GREEN
(07813720090)

BONSAI GROUP

(Third Thursday of every month at 8:PM)



Sadly we have had to stop our meetings at present due to the pandemic. Look forward to seeing you in the near future, once safe for all our members

BARBARA ELLIOTT
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BRIDGE GROUP

(Every Monday at 1:30 PM)



As a lot of our members are elderly we have remained closed. We will notify you when we know more information as to when we re-open

BERYL MAKINSON
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FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GROUP
(Second Monday of every month at 8:PM)



Looking forward to seeing you all again once we can safely meet indoors.
Until then, keep growing, stay safe and above all, stay well.

ALAN HOLBROOKE
(07742699473)

PLANT SALE



Hopefully we will have our plant sale on

15TH & 16TH MAY 2021

This is usually held in the garden, but may be moved depending on what's happening at the time.

BULB SALE



We plan to hold our annual bulb sale on

28TH & 29TH AUGUST 2021

This is usually held in our hall.

CHS CALENDAR 2021

JANUARY	Sunday 10th	Shop re-opens Sundays	09.30 - 12:00
	Monday 11th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 18th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 21st	Bonsai Group	8pm

FEBRUARY	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm

MARCH	Saturday 6th	Shop re-opens Saturdays	09.30 - 12.00
	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm

APRIL	Saturday 3rd	Spring show	1.30 - 4pm
	Wednesday 7th	Shop re-opens Wednesdays	6.30 - 8pm
	Monday 12th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 15th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 19th	Alpine show and fuchsia etc	8pm

MAY	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm

JUNE	Monday 14th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Saturday 19th	Summer show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 21st	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Wednesday 30th	Last Wednesday opening	09.30 - 12.00

JULY	Monday 12th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 15th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 19th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Saturday 24th	Fuchsia show	1.30 - 4pm

AUGUST	Monday 9th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 16th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 19th	Bonsai Group	8pm

SEPTEMBER	Saturday 4th	Autumn show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 13th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 16th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 20th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Saturday 25th	Last Saturday opening	09.30 - 12:00 Noon

OCTOBER	Monday 11th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 18th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 21st	Bonsai Group	8pm

NOVEMBER	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm

DECEMBER	Sunday 5th	Last day of trading 2021	09.30 - 12.00
	Monday 13th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 16th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 20th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

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JANUARY	Saturday 9th	Shop Re-opens Sundays	09:30 - 12:00 Noon
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ARKWRIGHT'S ARCHIVE

Our society was formed in 19th September 1952. It was 25p a year.

At our first A.G.M on 19th February 1953 we had 89 members and a credit balance of £18.70

Our first committee was made up of Chairman, Noel Procter, Secretary, J Mercer, Treasurer, Mr J Jasper and 9 others.

In 1963 planning permission was granted for building out shop.

1965 prices

Bonemeal	3kg	16p
J Innes compost	2.5 kg	37p
Maxicrop	1 gallon	75p
Slug pellets	1lb	10p

VOLUNTEERS!!!!



To all those that have volunteered to help and our existing staff we will notify you when we are ready to open again properly. We can't have too many people working at the same time.

Also, to all staff & committee, if you are NOT on duty, please don't come into shop via hall or store. This is to keep everyone safe

CAROLINE MORTON

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NEWSLETTER

We are still only doing one newsletter at the start of the year, as the cost of printing stationary, stamps e.t.c is quite costly. If possible, PLEASE look on website and print yourself or just read when you want. Doing this will help keep our costs down for membership, which hasn't increased for years.

There will be some available in shop if you have no access to a computer. We are trying to print less this year and appreciate the help to save the money so we can use elsewhere in the society.

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WEBSITE

www.crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

Our website is full of information about becoming a member, and has forms you can download and bring into the shop when you want to join. It has loads of information and links to other interesting sites

The site will keep you up to date with all the coming shows, quizzes, coach trips and group meetings. We hold coffee mornings for Macmillan and St Catherines hospice. Posters will be on website when we know dates.

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CONTACT DETAILS

Due to the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) we need your permission to hold your personal details. We can't keep your name, address, phone number or e-mail without your consent. Consent forms are available for signing in the shop. Even if you have been with us for years it still needs to be done. Sadly, without it, we can't contact you directly about things that may be of interest.

When you first join, or re-new, please give us an up to date e-mail and remember to let us know if you change it, or move address. We promise that all information is safely stored, and only the membership secretary and his assistant have access. We do not pass on your details to anyone, not even other members of the society.

Like the newsletters, we are trying to do more via e-mails for those that have given us their permission and what interests they have. For example, if you have told us you are interested in quizzes, we will email you when we know we have one

E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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SOME OF OUR REGULAR HALL HIRERS



West Green W.I are a very friendly group of ladies of all ages

There are many talks by various interesting people and groups. Come along and visit and make some great new friends.

Meetings are the first Thursday of every month at 7pm

JANE LEGGATT

jammyjane

ST CATHERINE'S
HOSPICE

Coffee morning are held at the hall. Dates will be advertised when we know.

There are also various donated gardening equipment for sale for donations to St Catherines. Enquire in the shop.



BRITISH AIRWAYS FUN RUN

This year it will be held on

Please be aware our shop will be closed that day, due to all the road closures.

We apologise to all our members

WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Please bring along your family and friends to our coffee morning and support a great cause

We have a great raffle and plenty of home made cakes and tea and coffee and squash



CHS SHOP

CRAWLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY SHOP AND HALL
IFIELD AVENUE,
WEST GREEN,
CRAWLEY,
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OPENING TIMES

SUNDAYS	10th January until 5th December	9:30am - 12 Noon
SATURDAYS	6th March until 25th September	9:30am - 12 Noon
WEDNESDAYS	7th April until 30th June	6:30pm - 8 pm

NEW MEMBERS

The CHS policy for recruiting new members is by word of mouth by you. If you know anywhere we can advertise please contact editorial, so we can make some flyers for wherever it is. Pass the word about the benefits of being a member to your family and friends.

We also have CHS gift vouchers for our shop that make great presents for that special occasion.

Membership price is a bargain at just £4.00 for one year. The price has not gone up in years

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st

Please renew as soon as possible. This can be done in the shop, or you can post to the shop

F.A.O Graham Jones, Membership Secretary