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CRAWLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Happy new year to all our staff and customers.

Without you all, we wouldn't be able to open. Sadly, we have lost some helpers this year. We do have some new helpers in the shop and yard, but If anyone can come and help please contact chsroster@gmail.com

So good to be open again in hall with all our groups

It was great to see the hall back in use during the Autumn show.

We are open now for the group meetings in hall, and a lot of hidden work has been done updating the hall with wiring, fire alarms etc to keep everyone safe.

We have also redecorated hall for our users. (Or nearly finished it.)

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

BARRY MORTON

TRADING REPORT

Welcome to the new season. Let's hope it's kinder to us.

We always moan whatever the weather throws at us.

The compound is full of compost e.t.c, including peat free. It's been a difficult year for purchases as many things are unavailable at times. Seed potatoes available towards end of January, although some varieties were not available, i.e International Kidney, Jersey Royals and Lady crystal.

This will be my last report as trading secretary. After 10 years it's time to let someone else take over. Many thanks for all your support

JOHN GREEN

SHOW REPORT

Welcome to the new show season 2022.

Last year was really hard wasn't it? We're hoping this year we will be able to hold all our shows without any disruption from this new COVID variant.

It seemed to be a frustrating year to grow anything during 2021, especially with tomato blight in full force, but despite this all the entrants to our Autumn show put on a fabulous display of fruit, vegetables, flowers and bakes.

We can't remember the last time we have seen so many people come and look at the exhibits when our doors opened in the afternoon. It was a wonderful sight to see but would not have been possible without the help of all our members who gave up their spare time to help out, set up, clear up, sell plants, offer membership, run the raffle, serve tea, coffee & cake man the shop, yard and do the administration paperwork during the judging.

We hope that if you came you may have decided to have a go at entering one or more sections of our Spring show. There are some changes. In our domestic class we have added a recipe to follow when making a Victoria sponge, have asked for fruit type and date added to labels in our jam/marmalade sections. We are always keen to encourage young children to enter the shows and have added a children's class to Autumn show.

We look forward to seeing lots of entries for these classes.

Stay safe and here's hoping for a good growing and showing season

HELEN PARTRIDGE

2022 SHOW DATES

SPRING SHOW	SATURDAY 2nd APRIL	1:30 - 4:PM
ALPINE SHOW	MONDAY 18th APRIL	8 - 10:PM
SUMMER SHOW	SATURDAY 18th JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
PELAGONIUM & GERANIUM SHOW	SATURDAY 18th JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
FUCHSIA SHOW (TBA)		1:30 - 4:PM
AUTUMN SHOW	SATURDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER	1:30 - 4:PM

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our A.G.M will be held on Thursday 24th February at 7.30 PM

Please arrive before, to start promptly. Also, stay afterwards and meet your committee for a drink and some nibbles. If you can't make it and have some questions you wish to be raised, let us know.

JEANNETTE ALLEN

HALL HIRE

The hall is available for hire on an agreed basis at very competitive prices.

We hold meetings, shows and private functions. Various organisations book regularly, such as West green W.I. Coffee mornings are held to raise money for St Catherines house, Macmillan and Crawley open house. All enquires for hall hire, please contact _

HUGH VAN GENNEP

Phone 07711090268 or e-mail chsbookings@hotmail.co.uk



GROUP PROGRAMMES 2022

FUCHSIA, PELAGONIUM & ALPINE GROUP

(Third Monday of every month at 8:PM)



After lockdown etc, we have started meetings again

Everyone was pleased to get going again. We had to cancel the last show due to unfavourable weather for pot grown fuchsias. Hopefully we will have one this year.

First meeting in February. March 21st meeting we have Carol Gubler giving us a talk. She also brings lots of plants to sell.

See you all soon hopefully. Hoping Dee will be fit and back with us by then

JOHN GREEN
(07813720090)

BONSAI GROUP

(Third Thursday of every month at 8:PM)



Please come and Join us. We are happy to share our expert knowledge with beginners and others.

Look forward to seeing you there.

BARBARA ELLIOTT
(01293 542312)

BRIDGE GROUP

(Every Monday at 1:30 PM)



New members are always very welcome. Do come and see us. We are a friendly bunch of people. Look forward to seeing all our group and some new faces in 2022

BERYL MAKINSON
(01293 402868)

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GROUP

(Second Monday of every month at 8:PM



Good support for the group on the restart.

Well done everyone for the excellent effort for the Autumn show. It was one of the best selections of produce for a long time. Good selection of tomatoes, even after blight devastated most of the outdoor ones.

Kelsae Onion plants ordered. The other vegetables for the group for the Autumn show is the longest Carrot. I will purchase some seed for the group.

ANGELA BROWN
(07944654696)

PLANT SALE



Hopefully we will have our plant sale on

14TH & 15TH MAY 2022

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

27TH & 28TH AUGUST 2022

This is usually held in our hall.

CHS CALENDAR 2022

JANUARY	Thursday 6th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Sunday 9th	Shop re-opens Sundays	09.30 - 12:00
	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm

FEBRUARY	Thursday 3rd	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 14th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 21st	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 24th	AGM	7.30pm

MARCH	Thursday 3rd	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Saturday 5th	Shop re-opens Saturdays	09.30 - 12.00
	Monday 14th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 21st	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

APRIL	Saturday 2nd	Spring show	1.30 - 4pm
	Wednesday 6th	Shop re-opens Wednesdays	6.30pm - 8pm
	Thursday 7th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 11th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 18th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 21st	Bonsai Group	8pm

MAY	Thursday 5th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 9th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 16th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 19th	Bonsai Group	8pm

JUNE	Thursday 2nd	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 13th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 16th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Saturday 18th	Summer show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 20th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Wednesday 29th	Last Wednesday opening	6.30pm - 8pm

JULY	Thursday 7th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 11th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 18th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 21st	Bonsai Group	8pm

AUGUST	Thursday 4th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm

SEPTEMBER	Thursday 1st	West green W.I	7.30pm
	Saturday 3rd	Autumn show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 12th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 15th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 19th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Saturday 24th	Last Saturday opening	09.30 - 12:00 Noon

OCTOBER	Thursday 6th	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm

NOVEMBER	Thursday 3rd	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Monday 14th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 21st	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

DECEMBER	Thursday 1st	West Green W.I	7.30pm
	Sunday 4th	Last day of trading 2021	09.30 - 12.00
	Monday 12th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 15th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 19th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

2023

JANUARY	Saturday 8th	Shop Re-opens Sundays	09:30 - 12:00 Noon
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TREASURER REPORT

Hello everyone.

As you will already know, the past year has been a very strange and tricky one.

The society has adapted through using click and collect as well as the re-opening of the shop from March, albeit in a different way.

It appears that the society is growing and going from strength to strength, and this is possibly due to the “covid effect”. Looking at the shop sales, plant sales and memberships are all up on the previous years.

Here’s to 2022 being another strong year for the society. We look forward to seeing you all in the year (It’s also our 70th anniversary too.)

Are you receiving our weekly emails? If not, why not provide us with an email address and make sure you have given us permission to email you. By doing this, you will receive a weekly email with upcoming events, special offers, new products, and guides of what to do in the garden. All included in your membership!

MARK HACKWELL



Hopefully we will be able to celebrate our 70th anniversary this year.

Once we know what is happening we will put a poster in our notice board. There will also be posters in shop and advertised on Facebook and the website.

Emails will also be sent to those who have given us them

CAROLINE MORTON

ARKWRIGHT'S ARCHIVE

Our society was formed in 19th September 1952.

In April 1965 we had over 500 members. At the A.G.M in 1966 this had risen to 680

1965 (Membership 25p)

1991 Prices

Peat	100 L	£4.90
Growmore	3 kg	80p
Maxicrop	1 gallon	75p
Tomorite	500 ml	£1.52

150 tons of fertilisers and compost was sold this year

VOLUNTEERS!!!!



We would like to thank Maggie & Tamara for all their help in the shop over the years. You will be sadly missed. Enjoy your retirement and remember to pop in if passing for a cuppa.

Big welcome to new helpers Karen Howland & Yvonne Adams. We are desperate for helpers in shop and yard on a 4 week roster. (Only 2.5 hours & you will also get 10% of any purchases. If anyone can help please contact person below.

CAROLINE MORTON (07720293132) chsroster@gmail.com

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. It hadn't increased for years. This year it has gone up to £5.00 which is still a bargain for the savings you can make.

There will be some Newsletters 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.

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

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OPENING TIMES

SUNDAYS	9th January until 4th December	9:30am - 12 Noon
SATURDAYS	5th March until 27th September	9:30am - 12 Noon
WEDNESDAYS	6th April until 29th 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 £5.00 for one year.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st. £5 only

Please renew as soon as possible. This can be done in the shop, or you can renew on click and collect site and pick up in shop.

Lastly, you can post to the shop with a cheque and a self addressed envelope addressed as follows -

F.A.O Graham Jones, Membership Secretary (Full address above)

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

jammyjane123@btinternet.com

The logo for St Catherine's Hospice is set against an orange rectangular background. It consists of the words 'ST CATHERINE'S' in a white, uppercase, sans-serif font, with 'HOSPICE' in a smaller, orange, uppercase, sans-serif font below it.

Coffee mornings 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.



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

BRITISH AIRWAYS FUN RUN

SUNDAY 8TH MAY

Please be aware our shop will be closed.

This is due to all the road closures.

We apologise to all our members

