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**WESTON-SUPER-MARE
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**
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The 71st Flower Show The plans for this year's show on 8th August are well underway and will be held, for the very first time, in The Town Square, behind the Winter Gardens. There are classes for members and open classes for everyone to enter even if they don't belong to the Society, so please encourage all your family and friends to enter as well. The Flower Show has been very successful over the last few years, but we do need to keep the number of entries up, if every member entered just one class the show would be even more spectacular. You don't have to grow vegetables or flowers you can bake a cake, do some handicraft or floral art, show off your photographs and, of course, there are the children's classes. There are also novice classes for anyone who has never shown before, so why not give it a try, you never know you may win a trophy.

You can get a schedule any weekend at the Trading Hut or from the Show Secretary, Brian Airey on 418998. Entry forms must be in by **Sunday, 2nd August.**

The Show will open to the public at 10:00am and the Town Mayor will present the trophies at 4.15pm. **This year's show is being sponsored by BID, Weston Town Council, Weston in Bloom, Love Weston and The Lions Club.**

SETTING UP TIME – Friday, 7th August 5pm-8.00pm and Saturday 8th August from 7am-8.30am.

ALL CUPS AND TROPHIES should be returned to the Trading Hut or Arthur Jarrett, by 15th July at the very latest.

Volunteers are needed for car park and marshalling duties on Friday 7th August from 4.30pm-8.30pm and also on the Saturday from 7.00am-8.30am. Please contact Brian if you are available to help.

MEETINGS The speaker at our next meeting on 10th September is John Thatcher who is giving a talk on 'The making of Thatcher's Cider'. This is followed on October 8th by Nigel Phillips...'Somerset's living coast. They both sound very interesting, so don't miss out. As usual the meetings start at 7.30pm in St Peter's Church Hall, Baytree Road.

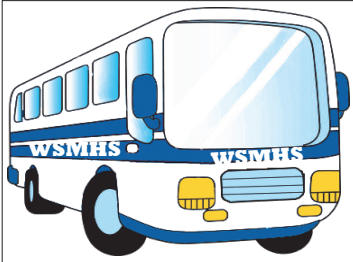
ALLOTMENT COMPETITION: Entry will be automatic for members. Clive Wall and Bert Filer will be visiting all of the sites week commencing 6th July. Only member's plots will be eligible and there will be a prize of £10.00 for the winners of the best kept ladies' and men's allotments and a trophy will be presented at the Flower Show.

Open garden competition **in conjunction with Weston in Bloom**

Judging this year will take place on 18th July by Bert Filer and Clive Wall. There will be 1st(£25), 2nd (£15) and 3rd(£10) prizes in each of the categories, plus a £10 prize for the best hanging basket. The appearance, tasteful arrangement, colour and cleanliness of the gardens are all taken into consideration, as well as a special feature. The prizes and trophies will be presented at the Flower Show on 8th August by the Town Mayor. Entry forms are available from the Trading Hut or from Bert and Cynthia on 514057.

Sadly, Joan Coopey, who was a long-standing member of the Society and served on the committee, has passed away. Our condolences go to her family and friends.

Garden visits
Over the weekend of 25th/26th July Sue and Rod Thomas will be opening their beautiful garden at 5 Quantock Road, BS23 4DS for us all to see. There will be refreshments and all proceeds to charity. The garden will be open from 2.00—5.00pm



Highgrove Our visit to Highgrove is on Tuesday 11th August and the coach is now full. Please make sure you bring photographic ID with you. The plan is to leave Weston at 8:30am and stop in Tetbury before arriving at Highgrove. Please contact Chris Nelson on 625765 to notify him of your pick-up and drop-off point in WsM.

A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN BERT FILER:

Most of you are now aware that the Flower Show this year will be held in the Town Square behind the Winter Gardens funded with the help of the BID, Weston Town Council, Weston Lions Club and Weston in Bloom and, of course the Society. There will be a full programme of events throughout the day with talks and demonstrations and stands for plant sales etc. I would like you all to consider entering and encourage your friends and families to also enter, you don't have to be an expert, there are classes for novices and if anyone needs any help come along to the Trading Hut the weekend before the Show and there will be someone there to advise you how to go about showing. Let's show the people of Weston and the Holidaymakers what the Society can do and make us proud!. The Committee has worked so hard to make this possible, especially Brian Airey our new Show Secretary so let's not let them down!

WESTON will be judged for SOUTH WEST in BLOOM on 7th July and the National Britain in Bloom on 3rd August—Good luck.

In your travels around the town, please report any missing plants or vandalism to Cynthia before the judges arrive.

WESTON SUPER MARE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

FLOWER SHOW

**SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST 2015
WESTON SUPER MARE TOWN SQUARE**

**SHOW SECRETARY: Brian Airey
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Dear Member,

It is show time once again and we hope it will be even bigger and better than last year. My thanks to Ted Gill for doing such a sterling job over a number of years and the Committee wish to thank all of you who helped in any way to make the show such a success.

We hope this year that that support will be forthcoming, whether as an exhibitor, helping stage, as an administrator or attendee on the day. Please encourage your friends and neighbours to exhibit. If you could sponsor a class or donate a tombola prize your generosity will help ensure a success. Please use the form below and either deliver it to the Trading Hut, Clarke's Field Allotments, Rectors Way any weekend between 0930am and noon or to me at the above address. Tombola prizes may be taken to the venue up to 10am on the day of the show

Thanking you in anticipation

Brian Airey
Show Secretary

Name: Mr/Mrs/Miss.....Tel.No.....

Address.....

Post Code.....

I wish to sponsor a class or classes and enclose my cheque for £..... as a donation to WSM Horticultural Society

- 66. Watery Wildlife.
- 67. Black and White, any subject, and not used in show before
- 68. Rural Scene
- 69. Floral Garden Display
- 70. Humorous photo

HANDICRAFT

- Exhibitor with the most points in classes 71 to 78 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare
- 71. A Greetings Card, not painted but in any other medium
 - 72. A Soft Toy
 - 73. Knitted Garment of any wool any size
 - 74. Item of Crochet
 - 75. A Painting in oils or water colour. Max 24"x24"
 - 76. Article of Tapestry
 - 77. Item of Cross Stitch
 - 78. Any other item of handicraft not mentioned above. (State dimensions on form)

CHILDREN

AGE UPTO 9 YEARS

- 79. A Decorated Pebble
- 80. An Animal made from fruit and/or vegetables
- 81. A Colour Drawing or Painting of an animal. Max 200mmx250mm

AGE 10 TO 15 YEARS

- 82. A Photograph of a Sea View. Max 7"x8"
- 83. An Article of Craftwork. Max 12"x 15"
- 84. Butterfly Cakes: six

Yes!
I would like to sponsor the show
See back page

FLOWER SHOW CLASSES 2014

MEMBERS CLASSES

FLOWERS

- Exhibitor with the most points in classes 1 to 5 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare
- 1. Gladiolus: one specimen
 - 2. Rose: one specimen in a vase
 - 3. Annuals: one vase of five of one kind
 - 4. Mixed Flowers: one vase of not more than five stems
 - 5. Best cut flowers from your garden: one bloom, stem or spray

VEGETABLES

- Exhibitor with the most points in classes 6 to 16 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare
- 6. Collection of Vegetables: three kinds, not less than three of each kind
 - 7. Beans, Runner: three
 - 8. Beetroot: three (tops trimmed to approx 4 inches)
 - 9. Onions from sets: three
 - 10. Cucumber, longest
 - 11. Herbs: collection of not less than 4 (in water)
 - 12. Potatoes: three
 - 13. Tomatoes, other than cherry type: three
 - 14. Tomatoes, cherry type: five
 - 15. Any other vegetable not mentioned above: three
 - 16. Runner Bean, longest

POT PLANTS, MAXIMUM POT SIZE 8 inches

- Exhibitor with the most points in classes 17 to 23 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare
- 17. Cacti or succulent: one
 - 18. Fuchsia: one
 - 19. Begonia, flowering: one
 - 20. Fern: one
 - 21. Flowering plant, not mentioned above: one
 - 22. Foliage plant, excluding cacti, succulent, fern and begonia: one
 - 23. Begonia foliage plant; one

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NOVICE

- 24. One Pot Plant (Maximum pot size 8 inches)
- 25. Vegetables: three of one kind
- 26. Best cut flowers from your garden: one bloom, stem or spray

OPEN CLASSES

FLOWERS AND POT PLANTS

Exhibitor with the most points in classes 27 to 36 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare

- 27. Dahlias; one vase of three Decorative
- 28. Dahlias: one vase of three Cactus or Semi-Cactus
- 29. Dahlias: one specimen
- 30. Gladiolus: one specimen
- 31. Asters; one vase of five
- 32. Sweet Pea: five stems
- 33. Specimen bloom, stem or spray
- 34. Rose: one specimen
- 35. Mixed Flowers: one vase of not more than nine stems
- 36. Specimen Orchid: one

Master Gardener: Kindly sponsored by Rev S Hartree

37. One vase of flowers (maximum 6 stems) and one dish of vegetables of one kind (minimum of 3), and one pot plant (maximum pot size 8 inches) maximum frontage 2 ft

VEGETABLES

- 38. Onions, with roots and top foliage, free from soil: three
- 39. Potatoes, white: five
- 40. Potatoes, other than white: five
- 41. Potatoes: three varieties, two each variety (six in all)
- 42. Tomatoes: five
- 43. Beans, Dwarf/French: seven
- 44. Carrots: three (tops trimmed to approx 4 inches)
- 45. Shallots (large): six
- 46. Shallots (pickling): six
- 47. Cucumber: one
- 48. Beetroot: three (tops trimmed to approx 4 inches)

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FLORAL ART

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All exhibits must be within the size stated. Exhibitor with most points in classes 49 to 52 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare

49. Small is Beautiful (Petite – 25cm x 25cm x 25cm) To be staged at eye level on black shelving.

The following classes to be staged on open white tabling and viewed all round but judged from front.

50. Elegance (75cms x 75cms height unlimited)

51. Time for Tea (75cms x 75cms height unlimited)

52. Austere but Beautiful (75cms x 75cms height unlimited)

FLORAL ART NOVICE OPEN CLASSES

For exhibitors who have won less than three first prizes in a floral art class in previous Weston Flower Shows. All exhibits must be within the size stated. To be staged on open white tabling and viewed all round but judged from front.

53. Cottage Garden (75cms x 75cms height unlimited)

HEMECRAFT

Exhibitor with the most points in classes 54 to 62 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare

54. Jam: one jar

55. Chutney, any kind: one jar

56. Pickled Beetroot: one jar

57. Pickled Onions or Shallots: one jar

58. Fruit Cake: one (as per recipe page 10)

59. Victoria Sandwich; (as per recipe page 10)

60. Rock Cakes: four on a plate in a plastic bag (as per recipe page 10)

61. Jelly Jam: one jar

62. Marmalade: one jar

MEN ONLY COMPETITION

63. Butterfly Cakes: six on a plate

64. Victoria Sandwich: one

PHOTOGRAPHY

Exhibitor with the most points in classes 65 to 70 will receive £5.00 donated by the Lions Club of Weston-super-Mare

All exhibits Max size 7”x8” unmounted

65. Wild Weather.