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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Thanks go to all members for supporting the Society throughout last year. Subscriptions of £3 per household fall due on 1st January and should be paid at the Trading Hut.

Remember that membership benefits include access to the Trading Hut, the chance to exhibit at our three Shows and to join in our social events.

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Message from the Chairman.

Welcome to the Annual Bulletin. I hope you enjoy reading our review of last year's events and the "dates for your diary" for 2014. The Society continues to grow and we enjoy a strong membership. I was pleased to meet new members at our three shows last year. It was even more heartening to see new exhibitors taking part in the Shows. Please consider staging an exhibit at one of our Shows this year. There is a new Show Schedule for 2014 which is available on the website, www.succulent-plant.com/eastcote, or from the Trading Hut. Take a look at the Schedule and approach any of the Show Committee if you have any queries. Once you've read the Show Schedule come along on the morning of the Show and there will be help available to assist with staging if you require it.

We will be running our annual coach trip and would encourage you to reserve a place soon. The date for this year's annual coach trip will be Saturday 26 April 2014. Venue to be advised and details available from the Trading Hut and website by 1 March 2014.

Thank you for your continued support of the Society. I wish you a happy and healthy "gardening" 2014 and look forward to seeing you at the Trading Hut or at one of our events.

Gerry Edwards - Chairman

2014 SHOW DATES

Spring Show Sat. 15th March
Summer Show Sat. 14th June
Autumn Show Sat. 6th September

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News from the Trading Hut.

Can I thank members for their support during 2013 and for ensuring a successful trading year.

The Hut re-opened for sale of goods on Sunday 2 February 2014 at 11.00am.

Opening Times for 2014:

February, June, July, and November: 11.00am to 12 noon March, April, May, September and October: 10.30am to 12 noon

Please note that the Trading Hut is closed during January, August and December.

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News from the Trading Hut (cont'd).

Lots of slug pellets in stock including a limited stock of organic pellets.

Honey.

We have secured further stocks of honey from our local beekeepers and this will be on sale from 2 February. You are advised to come early as stocks go guickly.

Hut Volunteers Wanted.

Rewards - good company plus 20% discount on most purchases plus honorary membership. Contact me if you can help out one Sunday in four for light sales work. Rota swaps can be arranged when needed.

Thanks – Finally, may I say thanks to all volunteers at the hut for their support during the year.

Summer Plant Sales - Dates for your Diary.

Opening hours for our plant sales will be from 10.30am to 12.00pm on the following dates:-27th April, 3rd, 4th, 10th & 11th, 17th & 18th May, and also Sunday 25th May 2014.

Further details will be available nearer the dates shown.

There will be a sale in the **Autumn** - date to be notified.

Surplus Plants - Members are invited to sell their plants at the Trading Hut on Sundays by arrangement with Alan Thomas. 10% commission is payable to the Society.

Alan Thomas - Trading Secretary

Renew your Membership in FEBRUARY, it's still only £3.





Show Report.

Our three shows in 2013 were very successful. Not only did we see a good number of entries on our Show benches but we were seeing members exhibiting for the first time.

Each show has looked positively stunning when one enters the hall and for the afternoon visitors it is a very welcoming sight. At the Autumn Show there had

been mutterings of, "I don't have anything to pick and show", in the lead up to the Show and complaining about the wrong sort of weather, but there was still a beautiful display of dahlias and a variety of vegetables. The home made cakes continue to attract local folk who enjoy the occasion and meet friends and neighbours.

I would encourage everyone to look at the 2014 Show Schedule and think about what you have in your garden or could bake or photograph, and submit your exhibits.

If you are not sure what to do, start by reading the notes at the front of the Show Schedule, select your classes and come along on the morning of the show. You will meet people there who will help you prepare your exhibits and place them on the show tables.

Our thanks to everyone who takes part, in whatever way. There wouldn't be a show without the exhibitors and we couldn't run it without our amazing band of volunteers. I look forward to seeing you at the Spring Show in 2014.

Sue Alexander - Chairman of the Show Committee.

PLOT FOR RENT

This year the vegetable plot to the rear of the Eastcote Horticultural Society's

Trading Hut has been vacated. If any member would care to continue working this plot,
the rent will be FREE for the year in return for maintaining the surrounding hedges and grass.

All enquiries to the Trading Secretary: Alan Thomas.

2014 SHOW SCHEDULE.

The Show Schedule for the 2014 shows is now available. If you are thinking about exhibiting and would like a copy, either take a look on our website or e-mail us at eastcotehorticultural@yahoo.co.uk.

You can also collect a copy from the Trading Hut.

EHS Spring Show 2013













EHS Autumn Show 2013













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EHS Photographic Cup Angela Bamping

Annual Award Winners 2013

To be awarded at the Annual General Meeting on 7th May 2014.

Banksian Medal Alan Thomas Popular Gardening Brenda Whittall

Rose Bowl (novices)

TG Cross Memorial Patrick Hookway T G Morris Memorial Kerry Sargood

Cup **Challenge Cup**

Tessa Dawton

Bertram Park Rose Jane Neave **Woodman Cup** Kewal Seedher

The Fran Thomas Cup * Liz Troman **Highmead Cup** Kerry Sargood

* The Society has received a new cup which will be presented at the AGM for Handicraft. The "Fran Thomas Cup" is being

St Catherine's Cup Anne Harry donated by Alan Thomas in memory of our Show Secretary, Fran, who sadly died in October 2011.

John Marshall Georgina Hookway Fran was our Show Secretary and an active and hard working committee member for many years. She enjoyed exhibiting

Children's' Cup flower arrangements, cookery and handicrafts.

(awarded at the Autumn Show 2013) This cup is therefore a fitting tribute to Fran.



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Social Secretary's Corner.

The social activities are gaining more support each year. We have some firm favourites in our social calendar and I mention three of these on the following pages:

Annual Quiz held 20th April 2013.





THE WINNERS

The Annual Quiz was held in April 2013. It was a fun evening, and well supported, with twelve tables accommodating society members, their families and friends. All those present enjoyed an entertaining evening where the theme for the guiz was "The Vicar of Dibley".

Our 2014 Annual Quiz will be on 25th October so make a note in your diaries now!

Each team will comprise of six people but if you don't have a full team to bring with you, don't worry. We can put any "spare" people in to make up any shortfall in team strength. There will be a light buffet supper at the mid-session interval but remember to bring your own drink and glasses. If you would like to book a place please e-mail eastcotehorticultural@yahoo.co.uk for a form or collect one from the Trading Hut.

Sue Alexander - Social Secretary.

Friends of Eastcote House Gardens.

Annual Fete

Eastcote Horticultural Society will be manning their stall at this event and will be selling plants, marmalade, jams and the Society's annual membership.



Saturday 7th June 2014.

NOTE: Prior to the restoration and buildings works in Eastcote House Gardens there will be a community Archaeological Dig over the period of June 27th - 15th July. There will be opportunities for workshops, take part in the 'dig' and community days. If anyone is interested in taking part leslev.crowcroft@gmail.com please contact:

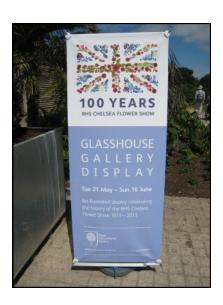
or follow our website: www.eastcotehousegardens.weebly.com

Trip to Wisley on 8th June 2013.

The 2013 trip to Wisley found us once again blessed with fine weather and sunshine. Over forty members and friends shared a wonderful day. The fruit and vegetable gardens were showing produce in the very early stages of growth. The herb garden is being transformed and there are plans to develop a tea garden in one corner, where tea will be grown. The glasshouse gallery was dedicated to 100 years of The Chelsea Flower Show with fascinating black and white photographs and news reports from the early days of the show and a film of this year's show gardens. There is plenty of opportunity for the horticulturalists amongst us to learn something new and find a new "must have" plant. Many of us boarded the coach for the journey home carrying a bag or two from the Wisley plant shop.











EHS Summer Plant Sale: 2014 Dates for your diary

Our plant sales are held at the Trading Hut and are provisionally scheduled for both Saturdays and Sundays, from 10.30am to 12.00pm on the 27th April, 3rd & 4th, 10th & 11th 17 Further details will be available nearer the dates.

Annual Dinner held 20th November 2013.

Our annual dinner was again held at the Sambuca Restaurant in Field End Road. Over twenty members, including our President, Catherine Dann, enjoyed an evening of Italian cuisine. Our group occupied two large tables and members had the opportunity to meet new friends during the evening. If the noise and laughter levels were taken as a measure of success, it was a superb evening.



Proprietors Marco & Maria looked after us well at Sambuca



Laura, Alan Thomas, Trading Sec., & Liz.



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The RHS London Harvest Show 2013.

I am pleased to advise you that Eastcote Horticultural Society won the Affiliated Societies Cup at the London Harvest Show, for a collection of 9 dishes of apples and pears which I submitted from my own orchards. We were also awarded the E.J. White Trophy for having the best dish of apples in the Show. This was for the dish of Bramley's Seedling. The Show itself was magnificent with a large entry of both fruit and vegetables. Gerry Edwards - Chairman.





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<u>Gents Prices:</u>

Cut £9 00 Wash & Cut £11.00 Flat Top £10.00 Beard Trim £3.00 Boys under 15 (Mon - Fri) £7.00

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£6.00 Gents Cut Wash, Cut & Finish £8.00 Beard Trim £3.00

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th May 2014 at the **Eastcote Community Centre, Southbourne Gardens, Eastcote,** at 7.30pm for 7.45pm in the Cedar Hall Room 4. Wine and nibbles will be available during the meeting.

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Membership is open to all residents of Eastcote and costs just £2, per household, per year. New members are always welcome.

The committee meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Elsie Fisher Room in the bungalow to the rear of St Lawrence Church, Bridle Road. Local residents are welcome at these meetings. Contact the ERA by e-mail at: era@eastcote.co.uk, or take a look at the website, www.eastcotera.co.uk

SAVE THE DATE !!

THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL COACH TRIP IS 26th APRIL 2014.

Venue to be advised and details available from the Trading Hut and website from 1st MARCH 2014

The coach trip will be to an RHS garden. As we are affiliated to the RHS we have a number of free entries per year to their gardens so we just need to cover the cost of the coach. In previous years we have visited RHS Wisley but this year we may travel to another venue. The next nearest RHS garden is Hyde Hall, a 360 acre site with a restaurant, café and gift shop as well as the Plant Centre. The garden is a mix of horticulture from rose gardens and herbaceous borders to sweeping beds of grasses and meadowlands. One area, the Dry Garden, showcases a range of droughttolerant plants and has recently been doubled in size. There is a Courtyard Garden which shows the popular cottage garden style of planting but with a modern twist. There is also a new lake. If you have any thoughts on where you'd like to visit on a future coach trip please let me know. Sue Alexander - Social Secretary

The Hillingdon Autumn Show 2014

This show will be held on Saturday 20th September at Uxbridge Civic Centre.
All residents of the London Borough of Hillingdon are eligible to exhibit and entry forms are available from Borough Libraries or on-line.
The closing date for entries is 12th September 2014.

Timetable - Friday 19th September - (5pm to 7pm) Staging of exhibits.
Saturday 20th September - (9.30am to 11.30am) Staging of exhibits followed by the judging of entries.

Saturday 20th September - (1pm) Open to the public.
Saturday 20th September - (1.45pm to 2.15pm) Gardeners question time.
Saturday 20th September - (2.30pm) Presentation of prizes.

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ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

EASTCOTE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL QUIZ

We are holding a quiz on **Saturday 25th October 2014** from **7.00pm** to **10.30pm** in the Main Hall of **Eastcote Community Centre**, **Southbourne Gdns**.

Join us for £8.00 per person (this includes a light buffet supper).

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Contact Sue Alexander on 020 8866 1339. Book early!!

To book a place(s) e-mail: eastcotehorticultural@yahoo.co.uk or collect a letter from the Trading Hut.

RUISLIP CENTRAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY *EVENTS AND SPEAKERS FOR 2014*

All talks at St. Lawrence Church Hall, 2a Bridle Road, Eastcote. HA5 1SJ on Tuesdays at 8.00pm

18th March AGM followed by a talk "The Chinese Gooseberry Man" by Geoff Hales.

The travels in China of E. H. Wilson, the famous plant-hunter.

29th March SPRING SHOW. 1.00pm to 4.30pm

At the Great Barn, Bury Street, Ruislip, Middlesex.15th April Saturday

> "April and After". Talk by Bob Brown.

20th May "No Work Gardening" or rather least labour gardening.

Talk by Bob Flowerdew.

Tickets available from: 01923 451616

28th June SUMMER SHOW. 1.00pm to 4.30pm

At the Great Barn, Bury Street, Ruislip, Middlesex. Saturday

13th September **AUTUMN SHOW** 1.00pm to 4.30pm

Saturday At the Great Barn, Bury Street, Ruislip, Middlesex.

16th September "Collecting seeds and success with sowing"

Talk by Marina Christopher.

Marina is committed to growing plants attractive to wildlife, and specialises in unusual perennials and grasses at her nursery, Phoenix Perennial Plants.

21st October "Blaze of Glory"

Talk by Timothy Walker, Director, Oxford Botanic Garden.

How to have colour in your garden right through autumn until the first frosts. Looking at all the ways that different flowers, leaves and fruit can make the garden look clean and fresh right to end of November. How the autumn borders at Oxford Botanic Garden were conceived and constructed, finishing

with a look at autumn colour in a small garden.

18th November "Talk on Bees".

Talk by Alan Husbands.

Cost: Members £2.00, Guests £3.00, which includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

Doors open 7.30pm. Lecture will start at 8.00pm.

http://www.succulent-plant.com/ruislip/index.html

Eastcote Horticultural Society Calendar of Events 2014

15th March	Spring Show	2.30pm – 4.30pm
26th April	Annual Coach trip	Venue to be advised
27th April	Plant Sale	10.30am – 12.00pm
3rd & 4th May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
7th May	Annual General Meeting	7.45pm – 9.00pm
10th & 11th May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
17th & 18th May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
25th May	Plant Sale	10.30am – 12.00pm
14th June	Summer Show	2.30pm - 4.30pm
6th September	Autumn Show	2.30pm – 4.30pm
25th October	Annual Quiz	7.00pm - 10.30pm

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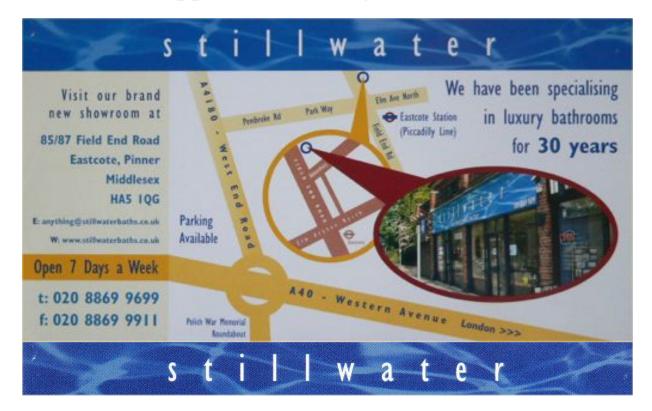
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