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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.

As in previous years I have noted it is absolutely amazing how time flies. It only seems like yesterday that I was writing a few words about last year. Perhaps that is an encouraging sign as we had another very good year! Although we had an early season and extra hot weather, 2014 was an excellent year for Eastcote Horticultural Society. We had three super shows, another well-attended Quiz Evening, and interesting trips to RHS Hyde Hall and RHS Wisley.

We again won the Affiliated Societies Cup, for the fifth year running, at the October RHS Show for a collection of 9 dishes of apples and pears.

I would like to thank all of our volunteer Committee members who enable our Society to offer so much. I would particularly like to thank Catherine Dann for being such an outstanding President. We are so lucky to have her as our President particularly in her mayoral year.

Our Trading Hut continues to offer very good value and service to our members. I would like to encourage you to continue using this facility. It really does depend on you for its ongoing success. I look forward to meeting you during the year.

Gerry Edwards.

Chairman - Eastcote Horticultural Society.

2015 SHOW DATES

Spring Show Sat. 21st March Summer Show Sat. 13th June

Autumn Show Sat. 12th September

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News from the Trading Hut.

Thank you to our members for their support during 2014, for ensuring a successful trading year.

The Hut opened for sale of goods on Sunday 1st February 2015 at 11.00am.

Opening Times for 2015:

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

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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 beekeeper. You are advised to come early as stocks go quickly.

Wanted Hut Volunteers.

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.

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

Summer Plant Sales - 2015 Dates for your Diary.

Opening hours for our plant sales will be from 10.30am to 12.00pm on the following dates:-25th & 26th April, 2nd & 3rd, 9th & 10th, 16th & 17th May, and also Sunday 24th May.

Further details will be available nearer the dates shown.

There will be plants for sale throughout the **Autumn**.

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

Remember to renew your Membership, it's still only £3.





Show Report.

There were three successful shows in 2014. What makes a show "successful"? I would suggest that it is one where there are many entries for our judges to consider, there are a variety of entries across the classes, there are different exhibitors showcasing their skills and there is a good number of people coming to view the exhibits, drink tea and enjoy the homemade cakes during the afternoon.

We're delighted and proud that our president, Councillor Catherine Dann, was Mayor of Hillingdon during the period of our Summer and Autumn Shows. Her busy official engagement diary didn't allow her to be with us for these shows but the EHS committee agreed to donate the proceeds from the Autumn Show's raffle to the Mayor's charity, Michael Sobell House. We were pleased to present a cheque for £109 to the charity.

In Catherine's absence at the Summer Show, we were pleased to have one of our Vice Presidents, Colin Spires, present the awards and share some of his memories of the earlier days of our Society.

Thank you to everyone who took part in our shows in 2014, to those who put the shows on and to those who came along to enjoy the spectacle. I look forward to seeing you at our shows this year.

Sue Alexander - Chairman of the Show Committee.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

EASTCOTE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL QUIZ

We are holding a quiz on **Saturday 25th April 2015** from **7.00pm** to **10.30pm** in Oak Hall at the **Eastcote Community Centre**, **Southbourne Gdns**.

Come along to meet our new Quiz Master, Tony.

£10.00 per person (this includes a light buffet supper).

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

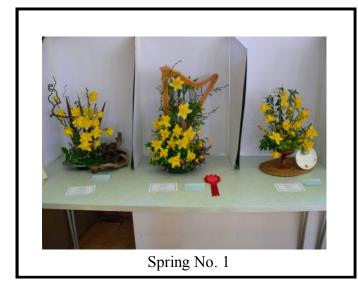
Contact Sue Alexander on 020 8866 1339. Book early!!

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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 25th April 2015 in Oak Hall at the Eastcote Community Centre, Southbourne Gardens, Eastcote, at 6.00pm to 6.30pm.

EHS Spring Show 2014









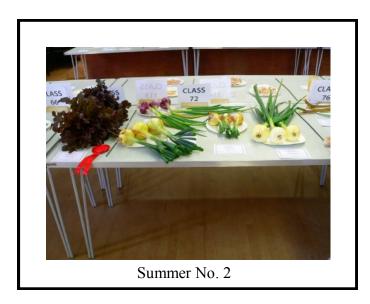


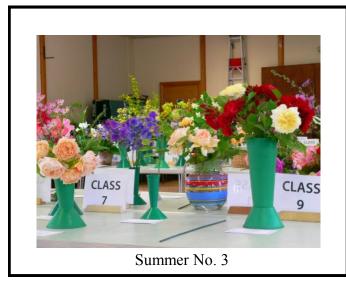


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Social Secretary's Corner.

2014 was the first time we had two coach trips in one year. Both were very well supported. The first was **RHS Hyde Hall**, *(photos below)*, on a rather chilly but bright April day. There was the added attraction of the Spring Plant Fair so some of our members returned to the coach with arms full of carrier bags and

trays of plants on their way to new homes. Whilst it was early in the year the gardens were in good form and the spring bulbs were a welcome sight.









Our next trip was to a more familiar location - **RHS Wisley**, (photos below), and in late September. We had a fine day and Wisley had the additional attraction of the Surrey Sculpture Society Trail. Over sixty works of art were on show around the gardens. Once again the coach returned home with more passengers - the plants our members had purchased.















The Annual Quiz took place in October 2014 and was another night of light-hearted fun with the questions set between video clips of "Only Fools and Horses".

We normally hold an Annual Dinner at the end of the season but as the quiz was at this time of the year, we left the dinner off the programme.

For the 2015 Quiz that is scheduled for 25th April, we welcome our new Quizmaster, Tony. The Society encourages you to come along to this fascinating event and take part.

Annual Award Winners 2014

To be awarded at the Annual General Meeting on 25th April 2015.

Banksian Medal Alan Thomas John Marshall Joint: Tom MacRee

Children's' Cup Ella MacRee

(awarded at the Autumn Show 2014)

TG Cross Memorial Alan Thomas

Cup

Rose Bowl (novices)

Bertram Park Rose Lesley Crowcroft

Bowl

Cross Cup Judith Jenkins

Highmead Cup Alan Thomas

St Catherine's Cup Barbara Betterton

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T G Morris Memorial Pat White

Challenge Cup

Woodman Cup Kewal Seedher

EHS Photographic Cup Angela Bamping

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FRESHLY MADE BREAD AND CAKES.

Eastcote House Gardens.



Eastcote Horticultural Society's association with Eastcote House Gardens goes back many decades. Regular flower shows were staged by the EHS in the house grounds. The Friends of Eastcote House Gardens are very pleased that the association has been revived, albeit in a different way.

Alan and friends bring their trading stall to events in the gardens. The Friends look forward to taking part in the flower shows and have had some success. We all enjoy the annual quiz. With the restoration work in progress at the gardens the events have been put on hold, but we will make up for it in 2015. At the end of the work there will be a new building which follows the outline

of the Coach House, demolished in 1964. Within this new building will be the tea rooms, toilets and an office for the Park Manager.

The Stables will be available for hire and the Dovecote will be the main education centre. Work is due to be completed by the beginning of April 2015, with the official opening by the Mayor of Hillingdon in early May 2015.

Our annual picnic is scheduled for Saturday 6th June 2015. Please make a note of this date in your diaries. Lesley Crowcroft.



Caption left: Keith, Linda and Jane pose with the Hurford Rose Bowl 2011.

> Caption right: The Piling machine used for the construction of the new building, the stables covered in scaffolding in the rear.



EHS Summer Plant Sale: 2015 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 25th & 26th April, 2nd & 3rd, 9th & 10th, 16th & 17th May and 24th May. Further details will be available nearer the dates.

SAVE THE DATE!!

THE RHS WISLEY COACH TRIP - 30th May 2015.

Venue and details will be available from the Trading Hut and website.

The coach trip will be to RHS Wisley. 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. If you have any thoughts on places you'd like to visit on future coach trips please let me know.

Sue Alexander - Social Secretary

Calendar of Events 2015		
21st March	Spring Show	2.30pm - 4.30pm
25th & 26th April	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
25th April	Annual General Meeting	6.00pm - 6.30pm
25th April	Annual Quiz	7.00pm – 10.30pm
2nd & 3rd May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
9th & 10th May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
16th & 17th May	Plant Sale weekend	10.30am – 12.00pm
24th May	Plant Sale	10.30am – 12.00pm
30th May	RHS Wisley Coach trip	9.30am – 6.00pm
13th June	Summer Show	2.30pm - 4.30pm
12th September	Autumn Show	2.30pm - 4.30pm

The RHS - The Affiliated Societies' Challenge Cup - 2014.

It was a very difficult year for fruit growing. Unfortunately the very early blossoming of the pears and apples produced a fairly low crop. Despite this we were able to select enough fruit to make a competitive entry at the RHS London Harvest Show at Westminster in October.

Once arranged our entry looked very good at the RHS New Hall at Westminster and we earned first prize and The Challenge Cup, even though we faced some stiff competition from Devon and Nottingham.

The dishes of fruit exhibited in this entry were-

DESSERT APPLES: **COOKING APPLES: DESSERT PEARS:**

Ashmead's Kernel Blenheim Orange Conference

Cox's Orange Pippin Bramley's Seedling Doyenne du Comice

Golden Delicious **Howgate Wonder**

Royal Gala

If you would like to visit a very interesting show, it is being held on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th October 2015 in the Lindley Hall at RHS Westminster.

Gerry Edwards - Chairman.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY SHOW DATES.

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Dates for these events are as follows:

12th April 2015 13th September 2015



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The Hillingdon Autumn Show 2015

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Perms	£35.00
Colours £20.	00 - £25.00

Gents Prices:

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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2015 SHOW SCHEDULE.

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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 view the website: www.eastcotera.co.uk

RUISLIP CENTRAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY EVENTS AND SPEAKERS FOR 2015

FEBRUARY 17 - RCHS A.G.M & Social Evening

MARCH 17 - TALK The Making of Henstead Exotic Garden ANDREW BROGAN (Plants for sale)

MARCH 28 - R.C.H.S SPRING SHOW, The Great Barn, Ruislip 1-PM

APRIL 21 - TALK Growing Delphiniums GRAHAM AUSTIN (Plants for sale)

MAY 26 - Guest Speaker TV Presenter CHRISTINE WALKDEN
TICKET EVENT Call 01923 451616

JUNE 20 - R.C.H.S SUMMER SHOW, The Great Barn, Ruislip 1-PM

SEPT 12 - R.C.H.S AUTUMN SHOW, The Great Barn, Ruislip 1-PM

SEPT 15 - TALK Photography at Kew Gardens. Author and Television Presenter HEATHER ANGEL

OCT 17 - FISH & CHIP Supper Quiz **TICKET EVENT** Call 01923 451616

OCT 20 - TALK Head Gardener from Hever Castle Gardens NEIL MILLER

NOV 17 - TALK Crown Estate Head of Savill Garden HARVEY STEPHENS

Please visit our website to keep informed of any changes. THE AGM & ALL R.C.H.S Talks are held at St. Lawrence Church Hall, Bridle Road, EASTCOTE. Doors Open 7.30pm. Talk commences at 8pm. Members £3 Guests £4

■ CACTUS SECTION EVENTS

FEB 16 - A.G.M Cactus Section

TALKS for the Cactus Section

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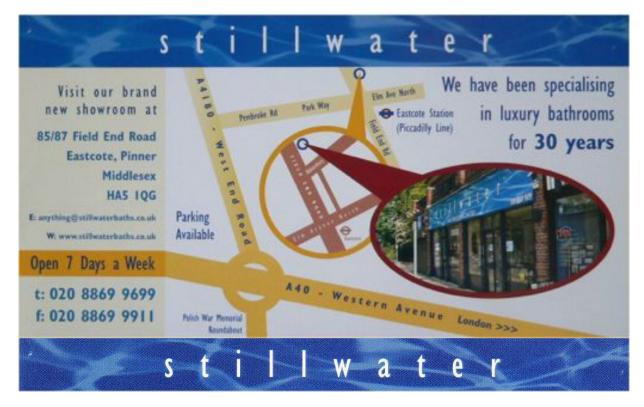
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