

# ***Worthing Horticultural Society***

***Newsletter No 121*** ***Sept/Oct 2009***

***Saturday October 10th***

**Our popular annual**

***QUIZ NIGHT and PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER***

**Broadwater Parish Rooms 7pm**

**Tickets £6 (bring your own glass and drink)**

**Book you place NOW Tel. Jenny on 01903 260925**

## ***Chairman's Chat***

Firstly in this newsletter I would like to thank all the helpers at the autumn show. Several of our committee were on holiday and we were grateful that a few friends plus the allotment team were able to lend a hand with the event – their assistance was much appreciated. The show was very successful with about 200 entries, some of which were truly fantastic and made the show well worth a visit. It was pleasing to see a notable increase in the cookery section, a trend which I hope will be maintained next year. Our September joint 'village show' with the Allotment society seems to be going from strength encouraging new exhibitors and an increased attendance. The winners of the various trophies awarded that day are printed later in this newsletter but regardless of whether your name appears there or not, a big 'thank you' for entering and making it all worthwhile.

I was pleased to see several of our members taking part in 'Worthing in Bloom'. A tremendous amount of work goes into the presentations and the event enhances the town and is most enjoyable for visitors and residents to see. Leslie and I were also judges for the Ferring in Bloom which also featured fantastic gardens of all shapes and sizes but always a delight to behold.

Our Annual tea party on August 1<sup>st</sup> carried on despite the weather, which was truly awful! War time spirit prevailed as the cups and saucers floated on the tables outside and we managed to fit 53 people inside sitting cosily together, plus 12 more being accommodated by my neighbour. We managed to raise £500, and thanks to all who attended and to the helpers.

As we go into the final quarter of the year we have several events to which I want to draw your attention. Less than a fortnight away is the annual quiz night and Ploughman's Supper which will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> this year at Broadwater Parish Rooms commencing at 7pm. Marcus will once again be our quizmaster. Tickets are £6 (advance booking only and as numbers are limited please phone me as soon as possible on 01903 260925). For supper there is a choice of cheese or ham ploughman's and you are asked to bring your own alcoholic or soft drinks.

On Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup> we are trying a new venture – a Christmas Shopping Experience at Haskins Garden Centre, Littlehampton Road, Ferring. Haskins are opening specially for us from

6.45 pm and serving a two course meal (main course, sweet and coffee) in their restaurant from 7.15 pm (we don't all have to sit down at the same time). Julie Brownlee will give a flower demonstration during the evening and we'll depart by 10 pm. This is a great opportunity for a leisurely look around and to make some pre-Christmassy purchases. Meal-inclusive tickets are £12.50 and friends are of course welcome. Please book using the form at the end of the newsletter – we need to confirm numbers by the end of October.

A week later on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm at Offington Park Methodist Church Hall, Major Tom Wye will give us a talk on the interesting History of Broadwater Cemetery which is under restoration. Coffee/tea and biscuits are 50p at this meeting. All are welcome.

Finally, the New Year Lunch will take place at the Windsor Hotel on Sunday January 17<sup>th</sup>. 12 noon for 12.30 pm. The cost for the excellent 4 course carvery meal will be held at this year's prices - £21 for members and £23 for non-members. There is a booking form at the end of the newsletter, so please send in with the money as soon as possible and I look forward to seeing you at one or more of these forthcoming events.

*Jenny Cuer-Greene*

### **Results from the Autumn Show:**

Molly Cuer Special Bequest for best exhibit in show – Peter Webb  
Master Gardener Award for most points at show – Peter Webb  
Godson & Mallard Cup & NCS Silver Medal for best vase of Chrysanthemums – Brian Bashford  
Speight Cup Most points Chrysanthemums – Brian Bashford  
NCS Bronze medal for 2<sup>nd</sup> best Chrysanthemum bloom – Brian Bashford  
Society's Silver Challenge Cup & NCS Silver medal for best Dahlia exhibit – Christine Fry  
NDS Bronze medal for 2<sup>nd</sup> best vase of Dahlias – Alan Humphrey  
Bennett Silver cup for most point in Dahlia classes – Alan Humphrey  
Walter Leonard Winner of Mixed Flower Classes (Tied) Charlotte Barnett-Cottle and Linda Charman  
Henry Burns Award Best Pelargonium or Geranium Pot Plant – Janice Shambrook  
Steradent Award Best pot plant Classes 29-34 – Linda Charman  
Garden News Top Vase award – 1) Linda Charman 2) Peter Webb 3) Fred White  
Society's Cup for best Cactus or Succulent – Charlotte Barnett-Cottle  
Leonard Bentall cup for best Gladioli exhibit – Eric Norrell  
Cecil Riley Challenge cup for best fruit exhibit – Peter Webb  
Wally Barnes Shield for most points in vegetable classes – Peter Webb  
De Quincy Child Memorial Silver trophy for most cookery points – Michael Innes

### **Help needed**

Could you please give some thought to the fact that we are seeking a co-ordinator(s) to help organise the School's growing competition in the Summer Show. Ann Peters and Christine Shane

will make 2010 their final year of running the competition and we are really appreciative of the effort that they have made over the past five years during which entries have doubled in number.

This is a really worth-while enterprise and is well-established so that it should not be too difficult take over and any potential replacements could 'shadow' Ann and Christine during their last year in the role. If you are interested in finding out more about exactly what is involved please telephone Christine on 215643

## **WEST DEAN GARDENS APPLE AFFAIR – 3 & 4 October**

Both West Dean House and Gardens will be open during The Apple Affair on 3 & 4 October. Visitors can take a peek inside the glorious flint-faced mansion and be guided around the State Rooms (the only opportunity during the year) then see a display of over 100 varieties of apple grown in the Victorian walled kitchen garden,.

Come and discover apples of every shape and size. Taste the different varieties and bring along apples from your own garden to be identified by one of the apple experts at the show. Apples have been associated with good health throughout the centuries; they are great for our hearts, are a good diet food and fight colds, viruses and cancer.

This is a family event for all ages, with stallholders offering an array of apple based foods and drinks to taste and buy, as well as activities for the children including apple bobbing, and the ever popular Big Draw drawing competition.

Rosemary Moon, writer, chef and creator of an online cookery website; MoonBites, will demonstrate her favourite apple recipes, some of which will include the Bramley Apple which is one of her firm favourites and which celebrates its 200th birthday this year. Admission to the Apple Affair is £7.25 for adults with concessions. The event is open between 10.30am and 5pm and West Dean is on the A286 between Midhurst and Chichester. Use your bus pass, Bus No 60 goes hourly from Bognor and Chichester or Midhurst.

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**EMMANUEL United Reformed Church**  
St.Michael's Road (off Heene Road) Worthing

## **MORNING MELODIES**

Presented by

**MARCUS MARTIN**

with

**MEMBERS OF  
WORTHING MUSICAL COMEDY SOCIETY**

**SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

**11am - 12noon**

**A 'VOICES FOR HOSPICE' WORLDWIDE EVENT**

**ADMISSION FREE DONATIONS TO  
ST. BARNABAS HOUSE REBUILD**

**Coffee available from 10.30am**

**Morning Melodies is sponsored by Indigo Restaurant at the Ardington Hotel Worthing**

# ***BOOKING FORMS***

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## **Christmas Shopping Experience Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at Haskins, Littlehampton Road.**

Please reserve ..... Ticket(s) @ £12.50

I enclose my cheque for £..... payable to Worthing Horticultural Society  
(please do not send cash through the post)  
and send to Jenny Cuer-Greene, 28 Hall Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9BD

Name(s).....  
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Address.....Tel.  
No.....

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## **NEW YEAR LUNCHEON 2010**

This will be at the Windsor Hotel on Sunday 17th January 2010 at 12noon for 12.30 p.m. The cost is £21.00 for members and £23.00 for non-members. Please return this form as soon as possible with your payment to secure your place(s) (Separate cheques for this from the above event please, and note these will not be banked until after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010)