

# RUNWEL HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

**Newsletter No 120**

**March to August 2019**

Once again welcome to a new year with the Runwell Horticultural Association. The bulbs have started to come through which makes us think of Spring around the corner.

Following the last Newsletter, we had the Autumn Show but due to the hot weather conditions during the summer, members struggled to put in exhibits – well done to those who did and congratulations to the Trophy Winners. Once again we need more visitors to the Show

Since the last Newsletter we had three interesting speakers with Nick Dobson, on Interesting Flowers of the World, Brian Carline on Organic Veg Growing and Paul Harrison on The Very best Small Trees for Small Gardens. We ended the year with the Xmas Social when members enjoyed a buffet and few fun games.

Thank you again to Alun and Chris Evans for organizing the **New Year Quiz** and get together

The entrance fee to the monthly meetings has helped pay the rising cost of speakers so we propose to continue with this.

## **SPRING SHOW SATURDAY 23 MARCH**

Entry forms for the show must be submitted by 9.00 pm on **Wednesday 20 March** the form and fee in an envelope should be put through the letterbox at **12 South Hanningfield Way**. *(Why not bring them along to the AGM and give them to Dave)*

**Summer Rose and Cut Flower Competition:** This year the cut flower Show combined with the Rose Show is on Monday 10 June – bring your own vases.. Points scored will be added together with points from the main shows and the trophies awarded accordingly. We will also be holding a plant sale along with the Show – members are encouraged to bring some of your cuttings or plants you have grown from seed for sale .

**The Autumn Show** is on Saturday 7 September

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - MONDAY 11 MARCH**

The **AGM will be held on 11 March** - this will give you the opportunity to voice any changes / ideas you might like to bring to the club. We will be giving out seed potatoes to those who wish to enter the competition for the highest crop in the Autumn Show. Cheese and wine will be available afterwards along with a chance to chat.

### **RHS CARD**

The card allows reduced price to R H S establishments including Hyde Hall and Wisley. Contact Marianne (765368) to borrow the card.

### **TRADING**

The Trading Hut is well stocked with plenty of compost and other gardening items, we will also be selling a few new lines such as codling moth traps, so why not call in and have a look around! We continue looking for **volunteers** willing to commit to a couple of hours once a month to help man the Trading Hut on Sunday mornings from 10am to 12.00 - you do not need to be a committee member

Until the end of July **the Hut will be open on Sundays from 10.00 am until noon.** It will be **closed for the whole of August.**

### **OUTINGS**

We are organizing the following coach outings:

**Hever Castle in bloom - Sunday 30 June – £30.00** (includes entry)

**Wisley – Sunday 8 September – £14.00**

Tickets will be on sale at the AGM.

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS (due in March)**

Subscriptions will be decided at the AGM. They may be paid then or at the hut or Show or you can pay any committee member using the form below. Please renew your subscription as soon as possible so that you may continue to use the trading hut and receive your Newsletter.

Teresa (765589) deals with membership.

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### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

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