

**WALTHAM GARDENERS' SOCIETY  
and Surrounding Villages**

**Annual Flower and Produce Show**

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

Waltham Village Hall was a blaze of colour on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August. In just a few hours the hall was transformed with the long bare tables being swiftly covered with lovely flowers, fruits and vegetables. There were more classes than in previous years and we ended up with over 150 exhibits on the day. As always it was a rush against the clock to be ready for the judging at 11.30am, but we were just about ready on time.

I hope those of you who came to the Show had a good afternoon and enjoyed seeing all the exhibits. If so, maybe next year you might like to exhibit something yourself?

The Alfred Wraight Trophy for the best exhibit in the Show went to Philip Harland for his perfect floral display, which impressed all three judges.

Ms Shaw judged the floral art displays, of which there were many more this year. She was very thorough and took the time to write comments on most of the exhibitors cards. The Bradshaw Cup, for the best Floral Art Exhibit went to Leana Bannister for her amazing Gentleman's Buttonhole.

Mr Barnett judged the vegetable and fruit classes, and was particularly impressed with all that was on show. The C A Baker Cup, for most points in vegetable and fruit classes went to Dot Taylor who entered over half the classes in this section. He also judged the flower and foliage classes, and the Coveney Cup for the most points in these classes, was won by Philip Harland. In this difficult year there were some beautiful roses on display, and The Willett Cup, for the best rose exhibit was awarded to Philip Harland.

Mrs Last judged the cookery, craft and children's exhibits. The Lockwood Cup, for most points in the Cookery Classes, this year went to Kate Brazier. The Anthony Phipps Cup, for most points in the Children's Classes was a dead heat between Kate and Emma Bannister. It was wonderful to see so many Children's exhibits with imaginative ideas.

Margaret Gibbs had judged the Garden Competition and awarded the Society Challenge Cup for the Best Kept Garden to Sue and Les Leslie and the Helen Appleby Memorial Trophy for the Prettiest Garden to Philip and Claire Harland, with the Silver Award to Penny Steel and Bronze to Janet and David Moor.

**Our next Event is on Tuesday 12th September when Caroline Halfpenny will be talking on the Principles of Garden Design.**

We look forward to seeing you at 7.00 for 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 12th September at Waltham Village Hall for the next presentation.