



LEIGH & DISTRICT COTTAGE GARDEN SOCIETY

President Jean Griffin

Established 1891



NEWSLETTER JULY/AUGUST

Summer Show

The day of the show, Saturday July 22nd, is approaching fast, and you should all have received your schedules. Preparations are well under way. Many thanks to all of you who have completed and returned your pink volunteer forms and a reminder to those who are willing to help or bake a cake to return forms to Helen as soon as possible.

Garden Features: Class 20 – 25. Please note that entries close 10.00pm Thursday 6th July

Stop Press – Our President, Mrs Jean Griffin will be at the show and is willing to answer any gardening questions – so come prepared.

Show Posters in Reigate

Anyone who lives in the Borough of Reigate and Banstead, and has a frontage on a main road, please would you display a poster for the show in your front garden. If you are willing to do this please contact Penny Taneborne before July 10th – 01306 611515, e-mail: oakfarm5@btinternet.com

Past Events

Charity Plant Sale

This year, Members of LDCGS ran the tea tent. Fortunately, the weather, although sometimes cloudy with a few showers, was much better than forecast and all the cakes sold. LDCGS received a proportion of the overall takings that were distributed to all the groups involved including St Catherine's Hospice.

Open Gardens

On Saturday June 3rd from 5.30pm to 7.30pm, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Lambert of "The Old School House", in Sidlow kindly opened their garden. Members had a pleasant afternoon in lovely weather, browsing the garden which included a substantial vegetable patch. Helen and Anthony Vere- Hodge brought up some plants to sell. Drinks were provided and Lesley and Alan Eley provided substantial nibbles to go with them.

Little Mynthurst.

Unfortunately, due to a change in management, the Open Garden scheduled for June 10th and 11th was cancelled

On Friday June 23rd, Mrs Valerie Newman opened her garden at Dolly Farm in Brockham. Again, we were blessed with perfect weather for members to stroll round her delightful garden. She also has a productive vegetable garden and a fascinating water feature running past her patio. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks were provided and nibbles, including a flan made with raspberries from their allotment, were provided by the Eleys.

Subscriptions

If you pay your subscription before the show, not only will you get discounts at selected garden centres and at Farm Supplies, you will get free admission to the show and reduced entry fees for all the classes - a win win situation. Please see over the page for the subscription form.

Royal Horticultural Society Garden Reduced Price Entry Cards are available from Helen Taneborne 01306 611515 (see Jan/ Feb newsletter or the website for full details) or visit our website ldcgs.co.uk

Future Events

Open Gardens

On Saturday August 12th, from 2.30 to 4.30, Mr. Alan Croft and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Frost are jointly opening their gardens at Chantry Cottage and Orchard Cottage, Church Road, Leigh, RH2 8NJ.

Talk

On Monday October 16th at 8.00pm in Leigh Village Hall Mr.Adam Leitch from Reigate Beekeepers will be speaking "Why do Bees Matter".

We still need a minute secretary and at least two committee members.

Anyone interested or wanting more information please contact Mark Dobell or Helen Taneborne.

Diary of events 2017

Saturday July 22nd	Leigh Recreation Ground. RH2 8NP	Annual Flower Show and Country Fayre	Open to ALL
Saturday August 12th	Chantry Cottage & Orchard Cottage, Church Road RH2 8NJ	Open garden by kind invitation of Mr Alan Croft & Mr & Mrs Douglas Frost	Open to members only
Saturday Sept 16th	Leigh Village Hall RH2 8NP	Autumn Show The apple press will be in action	Open to all
Saturday Sept 30 th and Sunday Oct 1st	The Plough, Leigh RH2 8NJ	Leigh Apple Press and Food Fair	Organised by "The Leigh Apple Press Gang" Open to all
Monday Oct 16 th 8.00pm	Leigh Village Hall RH2 8NP	"Why do Bees Matter?" Talk by Adam Leitch of Reigate Beekeepers	Entry £2 Members free
Tuesday November 21st	Leigh Village Hall RH2 8NP	AGM	Open to all but only members may vote

2017 Subscriptions (due by 31st March)

Adult minimum £8.00 – Children (under 17) 50p Patrons each £15.00 minimum

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