MAKING A SUCCESSFUL ENTRY TO THE PRODUCE SHOW

Entering the show helps to make it the success it has been for the last 64 years. A great display of the talents of everyone who lives in the parishes!

So don't keep your talent hidden. Have a go and enter at least one class. If you can't find the copy of the schedule for the show that was delivered to you go to sevenhampton.org/ show2011schedule or contact Malcolm Bell on 01242 821397.

If you have a child who wants to enter the hand painting in Class 79 then go to sevenhampton.org/show2011class79 or contact Malcolm Bell.

The tips in this guide won't guarantee you will win but they will give you a real sense of satisfaction that you have done your best and hopefully had some fun along the way.

Get your entry form filled in properly and sent in on time.

- Use one form per person entering and ensure all the entries for that person are on that form. If you need more space write on the back or complete a second form and make sure they are stapled together
- If you cannot find the form that was distributed with the show schedule or need more than one then download from sevenhampton.org/show2011entryform.
- Have the schedule nearby so you can check the number and description of the classes you are entering.
- Have the right total entry fee. It is 20p per class except children's classes 76-88, which are 10p a class.
- Entry forms and fees must reach the Show Secretary Ray Oldham at Rose Cottage by Wed 25th Aug.

Get your actual entry to the Village Hall on time

- Go to the Village Hall on Friday 26th August between 6.00pm and 6.30pm, or the next morning between 7.30am and 9.30am.
- Ray Oldham will give you an exhibitor's ticket for each class you have entered. Then take your entry and the exhibitor's ticket to the place in the hall or the show marquee where the class place for each of
- If your entry is in any of classes 1 to 69 and you want it back at the end of the show then tell Ray at this time and he will give you another ticket to put with your entry. If you do not do this it is likely your entry will be included in the end of show auction.
- Do any final arranging of your exhibit and place your exhibitor's ticket for it next to it.
- Please do not move any other exhibit or ticket which is already there.

OK, that's all fine but how do I present my entry in the right way?

Here are some general hints followed by some more specific help for nearly all of the classes which have been set up with help from the RHS Horticultural Show Handbook and the W.I Handbook for Judges.

- Try to avoid a last minute rush
- Check that you are exhibiting the correct number of items required for each class and that you have followed any presentational requirements set out in the Show Schedule. That means in the correct containers or on the recommended mounting for things like Art and Photography.
- With fruit and vegetables the judges will be looking for "uniformity of all the characteristics of the specimens constituting the exhibit'. So select specimens that are of as similar size, shape and colour as possible.

Vegetables

Wash vegetables carefully with a soft cloth and plenty of water. Most can be placed directly on the show bench (if relevant, stalks all facing the same way).

For Potatoes in classes 5 and 6 have equally matched tubers with shallow eyes and free from blemishes; stage on a

For onions uniform, well ripened bulbs of good colour are required. There are 2 classes, round onions and ones that are flatter at the base. The tops should be bent over and tied or whipped using raffia or string, and the roots neatly trimmed back to the basal plate. Show onions on rings or soft collars - sections cut from the inner cardboard of toilet rolls do very well

Tomatoes in class 15 need to be staged on a plate, stalk uppermost.

Fruit

Pick as near to show time as practicable.

Fruit in general should be picked with the stalks intact. Handle the fruits as little as possible and by their stalks to preserve the natural bloom.

Use scissors, not fingers, to remove soft fruit. Fruit should be "fresh, uniform, free from blemish and characteristic in shape and colour".

Do not polish the fruit

Stalks should always point to the back of the table. Apples and similar fruit are best on a plate (paper will do)

Note the number of flowers asked for in the schedule, too many or too few will eliminate your entry from the judging. Try to arrange the flowers so they face the front – you can use oasis or scrunched up clear plastic bags, cellophane or cling film in the container to achieve this.

Measure your arrangement to ensure it is within the

measurements on the schedule, otherwise it will be elimi-

Pots should be clean and no bigger than the size stated in the schedule. Measure it. What it says it is on the base isn't

With plants remove any dead leaves or spent flowers

Preserves (Classes 45 to 50)

Use plain jars with no trade names so start saving them now if you have not already got a stock.

Lids should be either twist tops, pliable press on covers or a wax disc covered with a cellophane top.

You do not need a wax disc under a twist top or pliable

Jars with Jams should be filled to 3mm (1/8") of the top. Fruit should be evenly distributed and the skins tender. The consistency should be 'jellified'. Runny is no good! Jars with Chutney should be filled to 12mm (½") of the top

Cookery

Biscuits for Class 51 should be rolled and cut in a uniform size with a 5-6cm (2-21/2") fluted cutter. Make them approximately 3mm (%") thick.

The Fruit Flan in Class 52 should be made with short crust pastry and you can add sugar and mix with egg and water. Use either a flan dish or a ring. If you are using a dish try putting it on a hot baking tray to help cook the base. The Bread in Class 55 should be well risen and evenly baked to a golden brown.

If you cannot find the recipe for the cake in Class 57 go to sevenhampton.org/show2011recipe.

The Quiche in Class 59 should be pastry flan base which is not too thick. The filling should be a savoury egg custard which is well blended and has a good combination of flavours, carefully seasoned. Make sure the base is well filled but not overflowing.



SEVENHAMPTON & DISTRICT Women's INSTITUTE

Meetings

Monday 5th September

Mr Bob James

Shoebox Appeal

7.30 p.m. in the Rhodes Memorial Hall If you aren't a member come along anyway and give it a go.

> Further information from Georgina Oldham 820423



Thursday 15th September

Ellie Phillips

- Wild Flowers of Cleeve Common

7.30pm in Rhodes Memorial Hall Non-members are welcome to attend our meetings for a fee of £4

Further information from the Secretary, Cindy Haines 820914

CENTURY CLUB

The annual outing of the Century Club in June this year was to see the house and gravity-fed fountain at Stanway House. I was away in Scotland at the time so Gill Hyatt organized and was responsible for this - for which many thanks Gill. I am told that the outing went well and was found interesting though the garden was not up to expectations. The fountain, however, was most impressive and the house very interesting.

Jack Stringer was booked to give the talk at the July meeting which was to be about Libya, a topical subject at the moment. Unfortunately, he was unwell so I stepped in and gave an illustrated talk about New England. Unfortunately, (again) a lot of the slides were very dark, a fact which I cannot explain as when run through at home the day before they had not been so dark. Sorry everyone - will try to do better!

The next meeting on Aug' 9th will be organized and run by Doris Austin (I will be on a river cruise in Germany), many thanks to Doris. She would like everyone to tell about their earliest memory and/or bring something of interest and tell the story behind it.

The September meeting is one week earlier than usual on Tuesday 6th September. The speaker is Janet Margrie, subiect to be announced.

Info. - Iris Young 01242 583098

Good Neigbourhood Scheme

For help with transport etc • Sheila Agius 820102;

- Di Brown 820271;
- Thora Corris 820242





you make it so and, conveniently, there's a mass of ways to help. See the double page spread inside to see those ways to help and then choose the categories you want to enter.

Helping with the Show will be good practice for next year's celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee planning of which is in the pipeline.

The reformed BADs has chosen its inaugural production. The play is a comedy called "Comfort & Joy" written by comedian and folk musician, Mike Harding. Performances will be in early December.

Don't forget to let Doris Austin (820425) know if you would like a new season of Tai Chi Qi Gong sessions. I'm certainly hoping there'll be more.

There are some details of one local Oil Buying Club on this page. I believe there are other local bulk schemes. Can we have details of those please so buyers can compare.

With luck you'll get this in time to see the Malvern Swordsmen Morris at the Craven on Saturday. There is also the Annual Beer Festival on August bank Holiday weekend.

Items for the next Issue (Oct/Nov) by 20th. September Please.. Bill & Anne Jenkin: 820338

Parish Council

email: removed

There will be a meeting of Sevenhampton Parish Council on Wednesday 7th September 2011 at 7.30pm

in the Reading Room, Brockhampton There will be a short question and answer session before the start of the meeting.



Bank Holiday about now.

Did you know that the Environment Agency has decreed that all 'sewage outfalls' have to be registered? This includes outlets from septic tanks & domestic sewage plants. If you do this by 31st December 2011 it is free but if you miss this date the proposed charge is over £100. For more information & links to online registration -

www.sevenhampton.org/sewage or telephone the environment agency for the forms & map on 08708 506506.



Morris August Bank Holiday Weekend Annual Beer Festival

Sat 30th July, 6 pm.

Malvern

Swordsmen

Saturday 27th August Hog Roast and Live Music Sunday 28th August Jazz at 1.30pm **Quiz nights**

There will be no quiz night in August Next guiz: - Thurs 1st Sept information:- tel. 01242 820338

Tai Chi Qi Gong

Who enjoyed the Tai Chi Qi Gong classes in the spring? Doris Austin needs to know numbers of those interested so that she can contact the tutor to arrange dates and times. So please give her a ring on 820425 if you want to give it another go or try it for the first time.

BROCKHAMPTON QUILTERS EXHIBITION 17th & 18th September 2011

10:00 - 17:00 **Rhodes Memorial Hall**

11th Exhibition of beautiful quilts including demonstrations of techniques, trade stands including Doughtys, Sues Crafts, Oakshott, Cornerhouse Crafts. Quilt raffle and our renowned homemade delicious lunches and teas.

Entry £2

Contact details: Georgina Oldham 820423 Email: removed

Remembering Mick Denley

Carol, Mick's wife, thanks you all for the support her family has had from Gloucestershire friends since Mick's sad death. He's missed here as well as in Cornwall.

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Village Diary

August Sun 7th 6.30pm &S'h - All Parish Evensong Tue 9th 3.00pm RMH - Century Club Sun 14th 11.00am & Ch'A - Matins 6.00pm 합H - Evening Service Sun 21st 11.00am ⊕S'h - Holy Communion Sat 27th 2.00pm RMH & Show Field-**Produce Show** 7.30pm CA - Beer Festival; Pig Roast

Sun 28th 11.00am & S'h - Family Service 1.30pm CA - Jazz; Beer Festival

<u>September</u>

7.30pm CA - Quiz Night 6.30pm ⊕S'h - All Parish Evensong

Mon 5th 7.30pm RMH - **WI** 3.00pm RMH - Century Club*

7.30pm RR - Parish Council Thu 8th 7.30pm RMH - Film Show

Sun 11th 11.00am ⊕Ch'A - *Matins*

Thu 15th 7.30pm RMH - Garden Club

Sat 17th 10 - 5pm RMH - Quilters Exhibition Sun 18th 10 - 5pm RMH - Quilters Exhibition

11.00am ⊕S'h – Holy Communion

Sun 25th 11.00am ⊕S'h – Family Service

*NB Change of Day

Every Thursday

10.30 - 11.30am in the Reading Room - Coffee Club, 10.00 - 12.00 am Reading Room - Village Agent

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⊕ = Church Services

\$\text{Ch'A.} = St Martin's Church, Charlton Abbotts

♣S'h. = St Andrew's Church. Sevenhampton ⊕H = St Edward's Church Hawling

Hm = Hawling Methodist Chapel.

RMH = Rhodes Memorial Hall RR = Reading Room, Rhodes Memorial Hall

CA = 'Craven Arms'

Brockhampton Oil Club Would you like to buy your heating oil collectively, at a discount and with consideration of the village environment?

Current scheme benefits include:-

- Price the same irrespective of quantity ordered – same price per litre for 500 litres and 2,000 litres
- •Set delivery day not to coincide with rubbish day, MONDAY
- A small tanker causing less damage to verges, kerbs and hedgerows
- An annual commission paid to the club for funding community activities. To find out more and to register, telephone Vicky Lewis on 01242 820325.

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THE PRODUCE SHOW AND FETE IS ON ITS WAY

SATURDAY 27TH AUGUST STARTING AT 2.00pm

It's great entertainment for all the family





Raffle draw and presentation of cups and prizes at 3.25

Fantastic auction of show produce from 4.40



In between all that there is time to view the exhibits in the village hall and the show marquee.

Take part in the other activities. Maybe just relax with tea and a cake and have a go at the special Tea Time Quiz or have a good old chin wag with a refreshing glass of beer cider or Pimms.

The children and grandchildren can visit 'kids corner' and have a go on the bouncy castle, take a dig in the lucky dip tub, get a tiger face in the face painting section or top up with an ice cream and a soft drink.

Last year you did really well with increasing the number of entries. So let's all have a go at making it an even better display of what we can all grow, bake, knit, paint and photograph because the more you enter the more we have to sell at the Grand Auction at the end of the show.

Later in this edition of Village Live you will find a guide on how to make a success of your entry. Let's get everyone in the family, including the grandchildren, involved in making at least one entry in one class.

YOUR SHOW NEEDS YOUR HELP

The organising committee have put in all the planning for this year's show but in the run up to the show they need your help to provide some of the things that make the show the success it is. Please have a look down the list below and see what you can offer and then contact the person named if you can help Cakes

When making your Ginger & Marmalade cake for the cake competition (Class 57) would you make another different cake to sell on the cake stall or use to serve in the tea tent. Please contact Enid Turner on 820331

Nearly new and unwanted gifts and books etc but not jumble

Do you have a gift which you appreciated receiving but have no practical use for. Also Cd's and DVd's and books which could make space for new ones. Even though you may no longer want them someone else may pay a few bob for them. Please contact Julia Chandler on 820629

Raffle Prizes

If you can give a prize please either bring it to the show, early on please, or preferably contact Gill Lanfear on 820862 beforehand.

<u>Plants</u>

Victoria Logue will again sell plants you would like to donate. Please make sure it is one you would want to buy to plant in late August. So tomato seedlings? No thank you. What will work best is if you have siblings from unusual admired plants from your garden or your house. If you have 000's of Aquilegias then it is probable your neighbours do too! Please label the plant. The English name is fine. Do not price it Victoria will do that for you. Either contact her on 820772 to let her know what you can give or bring the plant to the show.

Outdoor furniture

We need tables and chairs and parasols for the tea tent. If you can lend some please contact Nick Fresson on 820678. He will arrange to have it picked up and delivered back to you.

Volunteers

We need volunteers to assist with running all the activities. Please volunteer to give us just half an hour of your time during the show. Contact Malcolm Bell on 821397 to offer your help

