

# **THACS** **TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY**

## **NEWSLETTER MAY 2009**

### **Chairman's Introduction**

I hope that you attended our Spring Show on 28<sup>th</sup> March and that you enjoyed it.

It was another successful event and the standard of the exhibits was high. The organisation of these shows involves substantial time and effort from quite a lot of people, and the success of the event is due to their commitment and excellent teamwork. My thanks go to everyone involved. Special thanks must go to Anna Clark, Show Secretary, who did an excellent job of organising the event and dealing with a multitude of demanding tasks on the day. Her full show report follows (below) and contains all of the results and also news of some changes we will be making at next years' Spring Show.

This newsletter also has information about the activities and outings we have organised. I hope that you will find something that appeals to you and come along and join us.

Ray Keppler (Chairman).

### **THACS Spring Show on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

The eighth **THACS** Spring Show took place on a wet and windy 28<sup>th</sup> March at Tewin Memorial Hall. The weather did not, however, dampen the enthusiasm of the 88 exhibitors, or the many visitors in the afternoon.

The five classes included Horticulture, Arts and Crafts, Photography, Culinary and Children and the standard of exhibits was excellent; despite the slow, cold spring, there were 95 horticultural entries in total. Altogether the show exhibited 260 entries and the winners are listed overleaf.



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Horticulture: Van Hage Cup	Marie St Pier
Arts & Crafts: Tewin Society Salver	Gay Cates
Culinary: Nodder Bowl	Roe Hill
Tewin Cowper School Children's Award	Lauren Cates and Scarlett Christian-Cox

<b><i>Other Prizes</i></b>	<b><i>First</i></b>	<b><i>Second</i></b>	<b><i>Third</i></b>
Horticulture	Marie St Pier	Pat Fulford	Anna Clark
Arts & Crafts	Gay Cates	Diana Whitehead and Janet Gladwin	
Photography ( points carried forward to autumn)	Julie Bridgman (9pts)	Tom Gladwin (5pts)	Gay Cates (4pts) Michael Clark (4pts)
Culinary	Roe Hill	Hilary Tipping	Anna Clark

<b><i>Children's Awards</i></b>	<b><i>First</i></b>	<b><i>Second</i></b>	<b><i>Third</i></b>
Horticulture			
2 - 4 years	David Burnside and Scarlett Christian-Cox		
5 - 7 years	Natasha Kerr	Connie Marshall	Niamh Maslen
8 – 11 years	Georgia-Lou Owens	Maddie Gouldstone	Hattie Gouldstone
12 – 17 years	<i>No entries</i>		
Arts & Crafts			
2 - 4 years	Matthew Cox	Rosie Drew	Lewis Cullen
5 - 7 years	Lauren Cates	Tyler Owens	Rosie Ashworth
8 – 11 years	Bryony Kirby	Rosie Christian-Cox	Maddie Gouldstone and Hattie Gouldstone
12 – 17 years	<i>No entries</i>		
Photography ( points carried forward to autumn) 12 – 17 years			
1) Food	Christie Webb (3pts)	Keir Webb (2pts)	
2) Local villages	<i>No entries</i>		
3) Waterscape	Keir Webb (3pts)	Christie Webb (2pts)	
Culinary			
2 - 4 years	Scarlett Christian-Cox	David Burnside	
5 - 7 years	Lauren Cates	Tyler Owens	Rebecca Burnside
8 – 11 years	Ava Murray	Ruth Puddefoot	Lauren Walker
12 – 17 years	Hannah Puddefoot		

It is very encouraging to see more children's entries year on year, with the Under Fives taking part as a group for the first time this spring. The children's entries were a delight, ranging from drawings of mummy or daddy, handwriting, gardens made of sweets, Easter cards and decorated eggs, collages, mini gardens, flower arrangements and photography.

At this Spring Show as in previous years, flower arranging has been part of the Horticultural Class, and the Spring photography winners' points have been amalgamated with the Autumn Show points to establish an overall winner. As Ray Keppler, our new Chairman, stated at the show presentation, this is going to change next year. Flower arranging will be a separate class in the Spring (as it is in the Autumn) and so there will be a new trophy for Flower Arranging in the Spring Show next year. There will also be separate competitions for photography at both shows, without the need to amalgamate points. Consequently, there will be two new trophies for Photography at the Spring Show next year: - one for the Adult entries and one for the 12-17 year old entries.

Congratulations to all the exhibitors for putting on such a splendid village show, and to the winners for their outstanding efforts. The **THACS** committee worked hard to make the show a success and are very grateful to all the other helpers behind the scenes, and to our excellent judges, who give us their time and expertise so willingly. Many thanks go to Patrick Holden, who was an inspiring auctioneer at the end of the show, to all the catering helpers and the many hands that made light work of the setting up and clearing away.

A happy **THACS** day to remember!

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## Forthcoming Events

**Treasure Hunt followed by BBQ at the Rose & Crown on Sunday 7th June 2009**

It is hoped that participants in the **THACS** 'Treasure Hunt' Walk, to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, will enjoy a convivial evening stroll along the footpaths of Tewin, solving a few riddles en route and answering a number of simple questions relating to **THACS** interests.

The walk will start at the flagpole on Lower Green at **5.00pm** and will take about 1 hour 30 minutes before returning to The Rose & Crown for a delicious BBQ meal at **7.00pm**. The meal to include chicken breasts, salmon, sausages, jacket potatoes and a selection of salads, is priced very reasonably at **£10 per person**.

For the less fleet of foot, there will be a shortened version, taking about 30 minutes and providing the opportunity for an earlier return to our local hostelry before the BBQ meal. Please come and join in the fun.

Fill in the form on the back page and send with your cheque for £10 per person (payable to **THACS**) to:- **Pat Fulford, 27 Bishops Road, Tewin, Herts. AL6 0NP by Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May.**

### **THACS plant stall at the village fete on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2009**

**THACS** will again be managing the plant stall and will be grateful for any plants that members can spare to sell on the day. Unwanted seedlings, rooted cuttings and divided perennials will all be welcome. Please label and deliver to the stall on Lower Green in the morning from 11am. Alternatively you may leave them with either Kate Stott at 20 Harwood Close (01438717680) or Sue Whitbourn (01438798221) at 107 Burnham Green Road.

### **Painting and Photography at Marden Hill on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2009**

**THACS** have been given kind permission to paint, or take photos, in and around Marden Hill gardens from **12 noon until 4.00pm** on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Please bring along your own chair and equipment and any refreshment you might need. Terry Brand will be available to give help if required. **There is no charge for this event.** However, we do need advance notice of the number of participants, so **please telephone Gay Cates (01438 717622)** if you wish to come.

**Visit to the Victoria & Albert Museum, London, on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Here is an outing that has something for everyone! The Victoria & Albert is the greatest museum for art and design, a world treasure house with collections which hold over 3000 years worth of artefacts, including ceramics, fashion and jewellery, furniture, glass, sculpture, metalwork, paintings and drawings, photographs, prints, books and textiles. **All free.**

At this time there will be a special exhibition on the **BAROQUE Period 1620 – 1800**. This is one of the most opulent styles of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries, from the Rome of Borromini and Bernini to the magnificence of Louis XIV's Versailles. On display will be religious paintings by Rubens and Tiepolo and all the splendours of a Baroque palace.

**The cost of this exhibition is at the special group price of £8 per person.**

All else is free, including a one-hour introductory tour if desired. If the V&A museum cannot satisfy you, then just around the corner are the Science and Natural History museums.

**The cost for the coach is £10 for members and £12 for non-members.** The coach will leave Tewin (from the bus stop opposite the Rose & Crown) at 9:00am and it will leave the V&A for the return journey at 4:00pm. Please fill in the form on the back page with your details and preferences and then send it, with your cheque (payable to **THACS**) to: **-Pat Fulford, 27 Bishops Road, Tewin, Herts. AL6 0NP by Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June.**

## **Jokes**

A lawyer and his brother were hunting. A mountain lion jumped out in front of them and started snarling. The brother said "What should we do?" The lawyer said "I'm going to run for it." The brother said "You can't outrun a mountain lion!" The lawyer said "I don't have to outrun HIM -- I only have to outrun YOU."

Wife: "There's trouble with the car. It has water in the carburettor."

Husband: "Water in the carburettor? That's ridiculous."

Wife: "I tell you the car has water in the carburettor."

Husband: "You don't even know what a carburettor is. Where's the car?"

Wife: "In the river."

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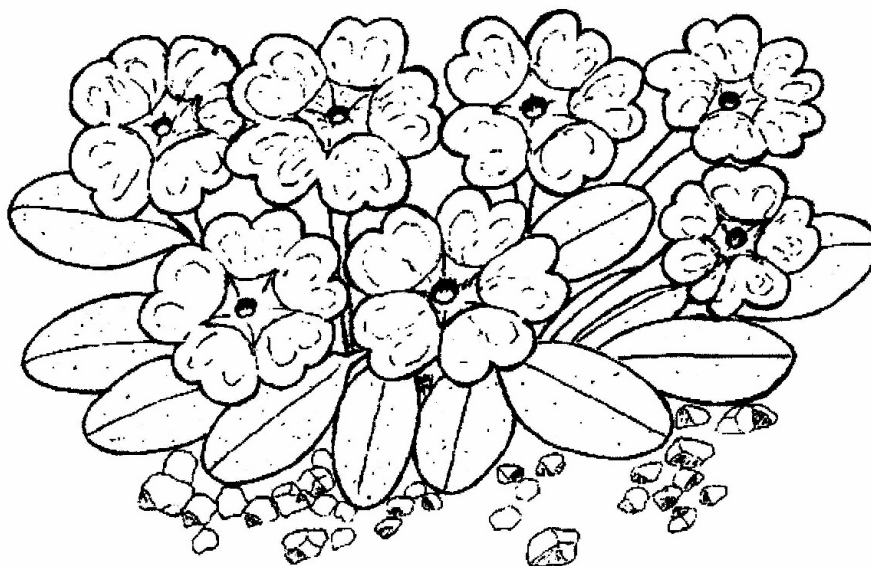
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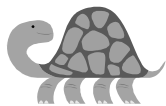
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**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2009**

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