Saffron Walden Horticultural Society

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2015

Dates for your Diary
2015 Show Dates
Spring Show 11th April
Summer Show 20th June
Autumn Show 19th
September

Mar 3rd Talk -

Tudor & Elizabethan Gardens Ian Seager

April 7th

Talk & Demonstration hands On – Robin Crouchman

Plant Stalls at our Shows

There is a stall at every show selling members' surplus plants and produce for the benefit of the Society. We are very grateful to everyone who gives us items to sell. If you are unable to attend the show, but have plants to donate. Please contact Kate Chambers 01763 8387541 week before the Show to arrange collection.(John Bullen not able to collect for Spring Show)

If you are growing a **society daffodil** it will soon be time to check it and following the guidelines given with the Bulb. GOOD LUCK and we hope to see it at the Show

Society Website

If you have any photographs for the web-site you can e-mail them to Annie Erdman at <u>annie @erdman.demon.co.uk</u>
The website is <u>www.swhortsoc.org.uk</u>

A Happy, Healthy and good Growing and Showing 2015 to you all members

News following the AGM

We had a successful 2014 AGM in December, attended by 30 members..We followed the same format as 2013 when we used the Society's Projector to show some slides of last year's outing and also of one of our member's cruise around the North West coast of Australia which was very interesting. We hope to repeat this in 2015, so please contact John Bullen if you have any photographs that you think would be interest to the members.

On a more serious note Robin Crouchman our Treasurer explained that he has been concerned that our costs are increasing, but our income is not. Therefore, there was a proposal on the Agenda it was proposed to increase, as from 1st March 2015, the Single Membership to £6.00 and for a Couple at the same address to £10.00. He also proposed that the member's entry fee for the Talks should be increased to £2.00 and non-members £3.00, this to take effect at the first meeting in October. Following discussion from the members these proposals were seconded and approved by meeting.

It was also mentioned that 2019 would be the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the Society and it was agreed that we should start to think on ways that this could be celebrated. So if you have any ideas about this, please can you let one of the committee know.

SPRING SHOW SATURDAY 11TH APRIL 2015

The 2015 Handbook is now available and we hope that members and friends will be tempted to enter some of the classes, whether flowers, or cookery, or photographs, there is something for everyone. If you are unsure about exhibiting, we have members who can help on the day. The Talk "Hands On" in April is being given by Robin, who will show you and give tips on how to stage daffodils and other flowers. So please try and come along to this talk.

OUTINGS 2015

Once again Jackie has organised 3 very interesting outings for 2015. All the details are in the Handbook and also on a separate sheet with the booking form. Please try and support the Society and book early, as if there is lack of response from members,, the trips will be offered to surrounding Societies and it might mean that for next year we will not be able to afford to organise any outings. Jackie's tel no.01799 521221