Grindleford Horticultural Society Newsletter Summer 2022 https://grindlefordhorticulturalsociety.weebly.com

Countdown to Showtime...

With just a couple of weeks to go before the 71st Annual Show on Saturday 20th August, a quick reminder that your entries need to be taken to the **Bishop Pavilion between 6.00 pm and 8.30 pm on <u>Thursday 18th August.</u> Unfortunately, late entries can't be accepted. Show entry forms are in the Show schedule and spare copies are available in the Community shop or from our website**

The timetable on the day of the Show is as follows :

8.00 to 9.45 am : Staging of exhibits 10.00 to 11.45 am : Judging in marquee 1.00 pm : Showground open to general public

1.30 pm : Official opening by Rev Paul Moore

- 1.30 pm : Entry to marquee
- 4.00 pm : Presentation of trophies

4.15 pm : Raffle draw / Prize money collection

4.30 pm : Auction of produce

Show Opener

This year we're delighted that our vicar from St Helens, Paul Moore, has agreed to open the Show.

Paul who hails originally from Nottingham and was brought up in the village of Gotham, famous, not for Batman, but for the "wise men" who pretended to be fools in order to avoid the king's taxes.

He comes from a musical family and was a boy chorister at Southwell Minster,

Dates for the Diary

Open Gardens visit <u>www.opengardens.co.uk</u>

Thursday 18th August 18.00 - 20.30 PM GHS show entry submission

Friday 19th August 2PM till finished Show set-up

Saturday 20th August Show day Place your exhibits 8 - 9.45 Show ground opens 13.00 Official Opening of Marquee 13.30 Show Ground take down 17.00

GHS Meetings held in the Bishop Pavilion, Grindleford

Saturday October 15th at 10.30 am : "Dahlias" Tony Hubbock Tuesday November 15th at 7.30 pm : AGM, Social and Quiz

Next year talks are already booked on "Joseph Paxton", "Habitat Restoration in the Peak District", Hardy Plants" and "New to Gardening". Further details in Show schedule.



not too far away from here. A man of many talents, he plays several musical instruments, has acted in plays and written and performed comedy shows.

After studying at Oxford, then doing a doctorate on long 18th Century novels, he trained for ordination at Wycliffe Hall. Over the last 30 years, Paul and his wife Lucy have moved from Oxford to West Yorkshire, to Cowplain near Portsmouth, then Winchester before arriving in Hope Valley in October 2020.

Paul is priest in charge of Grindleford, Hathersage and Bamford and his wife Lucy, who he met at Oxford, was one of the founders of "Messy Church" and is now Head of the Church of England's Growing Faith Foundation. They have a grown up son and daughter and enjoy walking in the wonderful Peak District with their very old but spritely dog called Minnie.

We are always in need of help on the day, so please let Penny Reynolds know if you can spare some time. TEL 01433 630023

Attractions

Starting at 1.00 3JohnsJazz will provide music up to the official opening by Paul Moore. With Covid restrictions now eased we will have a full compliment of stalls, refreshments with homemade scones and cakes, ice cream, Punch and Judy for the children, not forgetting, Hathersage Brass Band! and the raffle. We also have a demonstration on arranging Floral Art

Classes

There really is something for everyone. Whether you grow fruit and vegetables, flowers, have an interest in floral art and crafts or keen on baking and jam making there is a class for you. For the keen horticulturists and growers there is also the opportunity to win the prestigious Royal Banksian Medal awarded by the Royal Horticultural Society, won last year by Tim Reynolds. There are several other trophies up for grabs in all the sections with cash prizes, up to £30. Check out the website for advice on how to show your exhibits.



If you've not entered before at the Show why not give it a go this year? There are novice classes in both the Fruit and Vegetable section and the Flowers section. All you need are a few flowers taken from the garden and, who knows, you may be a winner!

There's a separate children's section (Childrens section entries are free) and encouraging them to enter a drawing or painting, submit an original lego model, decorate an egg or enter a vegetable grown by them is a great way of keeping them busy during the holidays and sparking their interest in crafts or gardens.



Our visit to Felley Priory took place on a lovely day, great gardens and refreshments



CHANGE OF CONTACT NUMBER

Please note as of 19th May, your membership secretary (David Jackson) will no longer have a land line, so if you wish to contact him please use his mobile number 07713 630584 or email <u>DJLJ23@yahoo.co.uk</u>

August Gardening Tips

Lawns : Inspect and decide which areas need renovation. Continue applying weedkillers and fertiliser.

Roses : Remove blooms as they fade. Cease applying fertilisers and continue spraying. **Herbaceous Plants :** Continue dead heading. Remove supports from plants that have finished flowering and cut off tall weak stems.

Sweet peas : Mulch, water and feed if necessary. Cut blooms regularly to prevent formation of seeds.

Shrubs : Prune shrubs that have finished flowering.

Fruit : Summer prune restricted forms of apples and pears. Plant rooted strawberry runners. **Vegetables :** Sow seed of spring cabbage. Sow lettuces for early winter use.

General : Take and root cuttings of shrubs, heathers, hydrangeas, geraniums and fuchsia.