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# Society

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### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

**Thanks go to all members for supporting the Society throughout last year. Subscriptions of £3 per household fall due on 1st January and should be paid at the Trading Hut.**

**Remember that membership benefits include access to the Trading Hut, the chance to exhibit at our three Shows and to join in our social events.**

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## *Message from the Chairman.*

I am delighted to share the good news that 2016 was a good year for Eastcote Horticultural Society. We had three excellent shows, two very good trips, (one to Kew Gardens and one to Waddesdon Manor), rounded off by our excellent annual dinner at a new venue in Eastcote. In addition to this we again won the Affiliated Societies Cup at the October RHS Show for a collection of 9 dishes of apples and pears.

I hope you will join me in thanking our committee members and our volunteer members who enable our Society to offer so much and would particularly like to thank Catherine Dann for being such an outstanding President.

I would like to take this opportunity to urge you all to use our Trading Hut as often as you can so that we can ensure its continued success and, as I am sure you are aware, many of the items on sale there are as competitive in price terms as you will find at outlets such as Homebase, B&Q, etc. Most importantly you will always receive personal attention and advice at the Trading Hut which you seldom get anywhere else nowadays!  
I look forward to meeting you during the year.

**Gerry Edwards.** Chairman - Eastcote Horticultural Society.

### **2017 SHOW DATES**

<b>Spring Show</b>	<b>Sat. 18th March</b>
<b>Summer Show</b>	<b>Sat. 17th June</b>
<b>Autumn Show</b>	<b>Sat. 09th September</b>

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## *News from the Trading Hut.*

The Hut re-opened for sales on Sunday **5th February 2017** at **11.00am**.

### **Opening Times:**

**February, June, July, and November:** 11.00am to 12 noon

**March, April, May, September and October:** 10.30am to 12 noon

Please note that the Trading Hut is closed during  
**December, January, and August.**

### **Seed Potatoes:**

<b>Early</b>	<b>CHARLOTTE</b>	Excellent flavour.
<b>Early</b>	<b>INTERNATIONAL KIDNEY</b>	Small, mild, and waxy. Also known as "Jersey Royals".
<b>Main crop (red)</b>	<b>DESIREE</b>	A tested variety on our type of soil.
<b>Main crop (white)</b>	<b>KESTREL</b>	An excellent eater with resistance to slugs.
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## *News from the Trading Hut (cont'd).*

### **Wanted Hut Volunteers.**

**Rewards** - good company plus **20%** discount on most purchases plus honorary membership.  
Contact me if you can help out one Sunday in four for light sales work.  
Rota swaps can be arranged when needed. Please contact Alan Thomas on 020 8429 0901.

### **Summer Plant Sales - 2017 Dates for your Diary.**

Opening hours for our plant sales will be from 10.30am to 12.00pm on the following dates:

**Sunday 23rd April, Saturday/Sunday 29th and 30th April, Sunday 7th May,  
Saturday/Sunday 13th and 14th May and Sunday 21st May.**

Further details will be available nearer the dates shown.

There will be plants for sale throughout the **Autumn**.

**Surplus Plants** - Members are invited to sell their plants at the Trading Hut on Sundays by arrangement with Alan Thomas. 10% commission is payable to the Society.

**Remember to renew your Membership, it's still only £3.**

**PLEASE NOTE: All members are asked to produce their membership cards on entering the Trading Hut.**

**Would members please help out by passing on any spare, empty, clean plastic shopping bags for use at the Trading Hut.**

Finally may I thank all volunteers who have helped at the hut for their support during the year.

Alan Thomas - Trading Secretary.

**The Society is moving more to using electronic communications, so could you let us have your e-mail. Please send your e-mail address to:**

**[ehstesttest@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ehstesttest@yahoo.co.uk) together with your name and we will add you to our list. This way you can be sure of getting all the latest news first.**



### *Show Report.*

Our Spring, Summer and Autumn Shows were once again a great success in 2016. We had a new band of entrants this year, the local cubs and beavers, and we look forward to seeing them again at our next Show. We have a good number of entries for each Show and a crowd along in the afternoon to enjoy the displays. I'm never sure what draws the crowd – is it seeing the exhibitors' excellent work or is it the homemade cakes??

Whatever the reason I'm pleased to see the Shows are so well supported.

Thank you to everyone who exhibits and to those who come to see the work. A special thank you to the team of volunteers who make the show possible.

The Spring Show Schedule is online and available at the Trading Hut so please start to prepare for the Show on Saturday 18 March 2017. Look forward to seeing you then.

**Sue Alexander** - Chair, Show Committee.

## *Social Secretary's Corner*

The Society enjoyed two coach trips in 2016. The first was in April and we visited Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. After an initial shower the day was dry but with an April chill in the air. The bluebells were still in flower and showed well on the route the land train took around the site. The second coach trip was in December and was to see the Christmas lights and decorations at Waddesdon Manor. This was a very wet afternoon but didn't dampen our delight at seeing the Manor so beautifully decorated.

The annual dinner was held in November, at a new Italian restaurant in Eastcote, named Sensi. They closed the restaurant for our party and made us very welcome. The food was excellent and everyone in the group enjoyed the evening.

The first coach trip in 2017 will be on Saturday 6 May, to RHS Wisley Gardens. This will be open to members, friends, family and other local societies who may like to join us. Please make a note in your diaries and watch out for details on the website, at the Trading Hut and at the Spring Show.

**Sue Alexander** - Social Secretary.

## **EHS Summer Plant Sale: 2017 Dates for your diary**

**Our plant sales are held at the Trading Hut between 10.30am and 12 noon and are provisionally scheduled for Sunday 23rd April, Saturday/Sunday 29th and 30th April, Sunday 7th May, Saturday/Sunday 13th and 14th May, and Sunday 21st May.**

**Further details will be available nearer the dates.**

## **THE FRIENDS OF EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDENS.**

### **EVENTS FOR 2017:**


- Saturday 3rd June:** Summer Picnic.  
**Sunday 17th September :** Open House.  
**Saturday 7th October:** Plant & Secondhand Book Sale in the Yard.



## Annual Award Winners 2016

To be awarded at the Spring Show on 18th March 2017.

<b>Banksian Medal</b>	Gerry Edwards	<b>John Marshall</b>	Joint: Tom MacRee
<b>TG Cross Memorial Cup</b>	Alan Thomas	<b>Children's' Cup</b>	Ella MacRee
		<b>(awarded at the Autumn Show 2016)</b>	
<b>Bertram Park Rose Bowl</b>	Lesley Crowcroft	<b>Popular Gardening Rose Bowl (novices)</b>	not awarded
<b>Cross Cup</b>	Judith Jenkins	<b>T G Morris Memorial Challenge Cup</b>	Gerry Edwards
<b>Highmead Cup</b>	Gerry Edwards	<b>Woodman Cup</b>	Kewal Seedher
<b>Phillip Stagg Award</b>	Gerry Edwards	<b>EHS Photographic Cup</b>	Angela Bamping
<b>St Catherine's Cup</b>	Barbara Betterton	<b>The Fran Thomas Cup</b>	Patricia Cooney
<b>Tryfan Cup</b>	Alan Thomas		

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 Perm, Cut & Finish (Tue - Wed) £55.00  
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**Gents Prices:**

Cut £10.50  
 Wash & Cut £12.50  
 Flat Top £15.00  
 Beard Trim £5.00  
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<b>18th March</b>	<b>Spring Show</b>	<b>2.30pm – 4.30pm</b>
<b>23th April</b>	<b>Plant Sale weekend</b>	<b>10.30am – 12.00pm</b>
<b>29th &amp; 30th April</b>	<b>Plant Sale weekend</b>	<b>10.30am – 12.00pm</b>
<b>6th May</b>	<b>Coach Trip to RHS Wisley</b>	<b>8.45am -- 6.00pm</b>
<b>6th &amp; 7th May</b>	<b>Plant Sale weekend</b>	<b>10.30am – 12.00pm</b>
<b>10 May</b>	<b>Annual General Meeting</b>	<b>11.00am</b>
<b>13th &amp; 14th May</b>	<b>Plant Sale weekend</b>	<b>10.30am – 12.00pm</b>
<b>21st May</b>	<b>Plant Sale Sunday</b>	<b>10.30am – 12.00pm</b>
<b>3rd June</b>	<b>Eastcote House Gardens - Summer Picnic</b>	<b>11.00am – 4.00pm</b>
<b>17th June</b>	<b>Summer Show</b>	<b>2.30pm – 4.30pm</b>
<b>9th September</b>	<b>Autumn Show</b>	<b>2.30pm – 4.30pm</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Annual Dinner</b>	<b>TBA</b>



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You can also collect a copy from the Trading Hut.



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We produce newsletters and circulars on items of local interest and operate an e-mail newsletter that is circulated to those who opt-in to receive various community updates. Whether you are new to the area or a long-term resident, joining the ERA will provide you with many benefits and give you a platform to share your views about the area. Membership is open to all residents of Eastcote and costs just £2, per household, per year. New members are always welcome.

The committee meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Elsie Fisher Room in the bungalow to the rear of St Lawrence Church, Bridle Road. Local residents are welcome at these meetings.

Contact the ERA by e-mail at: [era@eastcote.co.uk](mailto:era@eastcote.co.uk)  
or view the website: [www.eastcotera.co.uk](http://www.eastcotera.co.uk)

## The RHS - The Affiliated Societies' Challenge Cup - 2016.

2016 was another good year for apples but due to the cool weather at flowering time, pears were not too easy to come by. However, we did manage to source two dishes of pears which helped us on our way to winning the RHS Affiliated Societies Cup once again. As in previous years our closest competition has been from Devon and Nottingham, but in quality terms our exhibit was considerably better, and justifiably earned the top award.

The dishes of fruit exhibited in this entry were:

### DESSERT APPLES:

Ashmead's Kernel  
Cox's Orange Pippin  
Egremont Russet  
Golden Delicious  
Royal Gala

### COOKING APPLES:

Bramley's Seedling  
Howgate Wonder

### DESSERT PEARS:

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Gerry Edwards - Chairman.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the  
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**EVENTS FOR 2017**

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