

Minutes of Committee Meeting held 2 May 2002

The meeting was held at the home of Carole Gude commencing at 8pm

Present Mr M Hainsworth (Chairman), Mr J L Akers (Secretary), Mrs W M Akers, Mr K N Eyre, Mrs C Gude, Mr T Mitchell, Ms M Murray, Mrs A Turner, Mr P Turner, Mr J Wainwright

Apologies Mr J Gibson, Ms S Madden, Mrs B Pickering

Minutes of last meeting The secretary apologised that the minutes were 'lost' on his computer as a result of an upgrade but would be located and also that this meeting was being held so soon before the Annual Show.

Correspondence A great deal of correspondence had been received and dealt with by the secretary. Specific attention was drawn to three letters.

A letter from Newby Hall, North Yorkshire

An art gallery in Rosedale N. Yorkshire that had asked if the society could be involved in an exhibition. Dealt with by Linda Chapman.

£50 received from a Society in Manchester to use as prize-money.

Keith Eyre reported that he had received a letter from Timothy Clarke regarding bulbs of Lord F Cavendish sent to a friend that had now been acknowledged.

Show Arrangements

Annual Show

The Hall was booked, and Jack Taylor approached to judge the English Florists' tulips. The secretary reported on the funeral of Jack Burton, which had been attended by a number of the Society members. The continuity of judges was discussed and it was agreed that Trevor Mills be asked to judge with Jack Taylor with Richard Smales as a steward and observer.

Jane Green would be asked to judge the Vase classes.

Trophies – more engraving was being brought up to date, including the Novice Cup, which had been arranged by Douglas Kydd at his own expense.

Food – Anne Smales was arranging but there was a need of volunteers.

Show Secretary. Tom Baker would be present even though it looked as if Judy would not have any flowers left.

The Mayor would be contacted to open the show.

James Akers would check the availability of white table covering.

Keith Eyre asked that the staging details be changed in 2003 to read 9-11.30.

John Wainwright asked about advertising and the possible use of bunting, which had been so effective at the Wrenthorpe Spring Show.

The rosettes for best blooms, proposed previously by Peter Turner had been purchased.

Constable Burton

A selection of the flowers from the main show would be taken in crates early Sunday morning.

The bed of seedling breeders had been examined and looked as though it would be in flower at the right time

Volunteers were requested for the Sales table and to explain the flowers.

Review of Harrogate – The show had been a great success with 11 entries in the Tulip Championship of Great Britain. Wendy Akers was congratulated on her success. There were also 16 entries in the single vase of nine, and 149 vases in all. The judges, Keith Eyre and Jane Green had done a tremendous job in the time.

Financial Report – There was not much to report and stocks of cards etc was good.

Garden Visits – Arrangements were under way, with possible destinations
Dorothy Clive Gardens
Wollerton Old Hall

Any Other Business

Carole Gude asked if the date of the next meeting could be fixed –15 August.
The secretary reminded the committee to think of a possible replacement for him.

The meeting closed around 10pm