

NEWSLETTER

CRAWLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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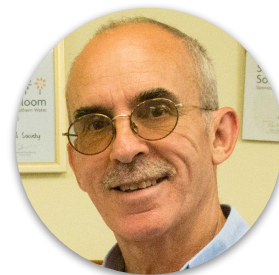


CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Happy new year to all our wonderful staff and customers. Hope you all had a fabulous Christmas and new year.

Had quite a few new members so far, so that is great that more people are finding us. Please feel free to volunteer, so your society can keep going. (See volunteer page for details)

Penny Harber hung up her trowel after volunteering in the shop for the last 23 years. She will be missed, but I sure we will still see her. Thank you Penny, you deserve it.



BARRY MORTON

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our A.G.M will be held on Thursday 27th February at 7.30 PM

Please arrive before, to start promptly. Also, stay afterwards and meet your committee for a drink and some nibbles. If you can't make it and have some questions you wish to be raised, let us know..

JEANNETTE ALLEN



SECRETARY

TRADING REPORT

Hello Everyone.

Hope you enjoyed the festive season.

We're hoping that our store will soon be re-built after a car reversed into it at some speed last year. During the rebuild, trading will continue, however, it may take a little longer to retrieve items/goods from the store area depending when the work commences and where the items are stored.

Again, we have a good supply of compost to start the growing season & our prices for compost & garden supplies STILL remain very competitive against some local suppliers.

Potatoes are due (hopefully) early January & garlic & spring planting onions due mid/late January.

Please note that our Wednesday trading has changed. New dates April 16th to May 28th. All information on back of membership cards.

Let's hope this year is a better growing season for everyone. We all look forward to seeing you in the shop or yard during the season



HELEN PARTRIDGE

TRADING SECRETARY

SHOW REPORT

Welcome to the new show season 2025

It's a new year & a new start to the growing season.

We hope you enjoyed entering and/or viewing the shows last year. With this in mind, this year I have made a change of day to the **Autumn show**. The reason for this is that we always seem to clash on same day as the cricket and bowl club matches, and our visitors can't find any parking. I have changed it to a **Sunday**. That way, there should be plenty of parking spaces for all our visitors.

If you haven't been to one before, please come along and see what goes on. There are always some wonderful exhibits to look at & our Bonsai group always puts on a superb display on our stage at our spring & summer shows. Our refreshment kitchen make a great cup of tea or coffee and there are cakes to purchase to have with your drink at very competitive prices as well.

If you'd prefer to donate a cake for our refreshment kitchen, help out on the day, or donate a prize for our raffle, then please contact me. I'm normally in the shop most weekends.

Stay safe and here's hoping for a good growing and showing season

2025 SHOW DATES

SPRING SHOW	SATURDAY 5th APRIL	1:30 - 4:PM
SUMMER SHOW	SATURDAY 21st JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
PELAGONIUM & GERANIUM SHOW	SATURDAY 21st JUNE	1:30 - 4:PM
AUTUMN SHOW	SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER	1:30 - 4:PM

HELEN PARTRIDGE



SHOW SECRETARY

HALL HIRE

The hall is available for hire on an agreed basis at very competitive prices.

We hold meetings, shows and private functions. Various organisations book regularly, such as West green W.I. Coffee mornings are held to raise money for St Catherines hospice, Macmillan cancer support and Crawley open house.

All enquires for hall hire, please contact _

MARK HACKWELL or CAROLINE MORTON

Phone 07711090268 or e-mail chsbookings1952@gmail.com



SEED SWAP 2025

Bring in your old seeds and swap, donate or buy during shop hours on
8TH & 9TH MARCH

GROUP PROGRAMMES 2025

FUCHSIA, PELAGONIUM & ALPINE GROUP

(Third Monday of every month at 8:PM)



HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE

Looking forward to seeing all our existing members and hopefully we shall get some new people in the year, as doing well on memberships.

JOHN GREEN
(07813720090)

BONSAI GROUP

(Third Thursday of every month at 8:PM)



We are a friendly group. We are happy to share our expert knowledge with beginners and others. Come along and see what it's all about. Great group of people and expert advice given, and received.

Look forward to seeing you there.

TONY McKENSIE
(01293 773149)

BRIDGE GROUP

(Every Monday at 1:30 PM)



New members are always very welcome. Do come and see us. We are a friendly group of people.

Look forward to seeing all our existing members and some new faces in 2025

MARK McNEILE
(01293 531469)

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GROUP
(Second Monday of every month at 8:PM)



Welcome to 2025

Looking forward to a new year and maybe some additional new faces. We have a wealth of knowledge amongst our group and help each other try and solve our problems. Let's hope we have a great growing season and have some wonderful entries (and wins) in the shows this year. Good luck one and all.

ANGELA BROWN
(07944654696)

PLANT SALE



10TH & 11TH MAY 2025

This is usually held in the hall, but may be moved outside depending on what's happening at the time.

Hall entrance is down the left hand side of our building

BULB SALE



30 & 31ST AUGUST 2025

This is usually held in our hall.

Hall entrance is down the left hand side of our building

CHS CALENDAR 2025

JANUARY	Sunday 5th	Shop re-opens Sundays	09.30 - 12:00
	Monday 13th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 16th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 20th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

FEBRUARY	Thursday 6th	West Green W.I	7.15 pm
	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Thursday 27th	AGM	7.30pm

MARCH	Saturday 1st	Shop re-opens Saturdays	09.30- 12.00
	Thursday 6th	West Green W.I	7.15 pm
	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm

APRIL	Thursday 3rd	West Green W.I	7.15 pm
	Saturday 5th	Spring Show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 14th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Wednesday 16th	Shop re-opens Wednesdays	6.30 - 8 pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 21st	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm

MAY	Thursday 1st	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Saturday 10th	Plant Sale	9.30 - 12 noon
	Sunday 11th	Plant Sale	9.30 - 12 noon
	Monday 12th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 15th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 19th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Wednesday 28th	Last Wednesday opening	6.30pm - 8pm

JUNE	Thursday 5th	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Monday 9th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 16th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 19th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Saturday 21st	Summer Show	1.30 - 4pm

JULY	Thursday 3rd	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Monday 7th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 14th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 17th	Bonsai Group	8pm
AUGUST	Thursday 7th	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Monday 11th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 18th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 21st	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Saturday 30th	Bulb Sale	9.30 - 12 noon
	Sunday 31st	Bulb Sale	9.30 - 12 noon
SEPTEMBER	Thursday 4th	West green W.I	7.15pm
	Sunday 7th	Autumn Show	1.30 - 4pm
	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Saturday 27th	Last Saturday opening	09.30 - 12:00 Noon
OCTOBER	Thursday 2nd	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Monday 13th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Thursday 16th	Bonsai Group	8pm
	Monday 20th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
NOVEMBER	Thursday 6th	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Monday 10th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	8pm
	Monday 17th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 20th	Bonsai Group	8pm
DECEMBER	Thursday 4th	West Green W.I	7.15pm
	Sunday 7th	Last day of trading 2025	09.30 - 12.00
	Monday 8th	Fruit & Vegetable meeting	7.30PM
	Monday 15th	Fuchsia, Alpine & Pelargonium	8pm
	Thursday 18th	Bonsai Group	8pm
JANUARY 2026	T.B.A	Shop re-opens Sundays	09.30 - 12.00

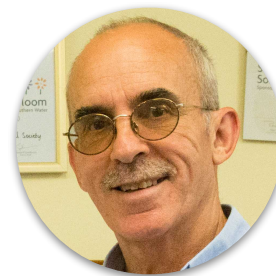
ARKWRIGHT'S ARCHIVES

Our society was formed on the 19th September 1952.

1995 Prices

Bone meal	£2	3 kg
Growmore	85p	3 kg
Blood, fish & bone	£1.35	3 kg
8 Foot canes	22p	
Arthur bowers mpc	£3.50	75 Litres
John innes 1,2,3	£2.70	25 Litres

BARRY MORTON



CHAIRMAN

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chairman@crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

VOLUNTEERS!!!!



CAROLINE MORTON



ROSTERS

Please join as a volunteer. It's only once every 4 weeks. Meet some great people, enjoy plenty of tea and homemade cakes and get 10% off all purchases. We need help in the shop, but desperate for help in yard. Lifting is required. Also help needed for our store room. Training will be given.

Please contact me on any of the below.

CAROLINE MORTON

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CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024



Cakes by Karen



John, Tim & Jeannette



£402.75 was raised in total

(£191.57 TO ST CATHERINE'S HOSPICE & £160 TO CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE)

Well done everyone for their hard work. Not only those on the day, but those behind the scenes, preparing hall, clearing up, advertising, telling friends, and making such wonderful crafts.



NEWSLETTER

We are still only doing one newsletter at the start of the year, as the cost of printing stationery, stamps e.t.c is quite high. If possible, PLEASE look on website and print yourself or just read when you want. Doing this will help keep our costs down for membership. It hadn't increased for years. It is only £5.00 to join which is still a bargain for the savings you can make.

There will be some Newsletters available in shop if you have no access to a computer. We are trying to print less this year and appreciate the help to save the money so we can use elsewhere in the society.

CAROLINE MORTON

WEBSITE

www.crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

Our website is full of information about becoming a member, and has forms you can download and bring into the shop when you want to join. This makes it quicker for you when we are busy. The website has loads of information and links to other interesting sites

The site will keep you up to date with all the coming shows, quizzes, coach trips and group meetings. We hold coffee mornings for Macmillan and St Catherines hospice. Posters will be on website when we know dates.

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CONTACT DETAILS

Due to the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) we need your permission to hold your personal details. We can't keep your name, address, phone number or e-mail without your consent. Consent forms are available for signing in the shop. Even if you have been with us for years it still needs to be done. Sadly, without it, we can't contact you directly about things that may be of interest.

When you first join, or re-new, please give us an up to date e-mail and remember to let us know if you change it, or move address. We promise that all information is safely stored, and only the membership secretary and his assistant have access. We do not pass on your details to anyone, not even other members of the society.

Like the newsletters, we are trying to do more via e-mails for those that have given us their permission and what interests they have. For example, if you have told us you are interested in quizzes, we will email you when we know we have one

E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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SARAH CROUCH		
CAROLE MCMANAMON		



CHS SHOP

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IFIELD AVENUE,
WEST GREEN,
CRAWLEY,
WEST SUSSEX
RH11 7AJ

Telephone number 07546970594 (During shop hours only)

OPENING TIMES

SUNDAYS	5th January until 7th December	9:30am - 12 Noon
SATURDAYS	1st March until 27th September	9:30am - 12 Noon
WEDNESDAYS	16th April until 28th May	6:30pm - 8 pm

NEW MEMBERS

The CHS policy for recruiting new members is by word of mouth by you. If you know anywhere we can advertise please contact editorial, so we can make some flyers for wherever it is. Pass the word about the benefits of being a member to your family and friends.

We also have CHS gift vouchers for our shop that make great presents for that special occasion.

Membership price is a bargain at just £5.00 for one year.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st. £5 only

Please renew as soon as possible. This can be done in the shop, or you can renew on click and collect site and pick up in shop. It can be very busy in shop in January with seed potatoes. If you have access to internet, renew membership after we shut in December, and then when we open in January, they will be written out ready for you. Saves queuing up for a long time.

Lastly, you can post to the shop with a cheque and a self addressed envelope addressed as follows -

F.A.O Graham Jones, Membership Secretary (Full address above, under CHS shop)

VARIOUS USAGE OF OUR HALL INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING



West Green W.I are a very friendly group of ladies of all ages

There are many talks by various interesting people and groups. Come along and visit and make some great new friends.

Meetings are the first Thursday of every month at 7.15 pm

JANE LEGGATT

jammyjane123@btinternet.com

The logo consists of the text 'ST CATHERINE'S HOSPICE' in white, uppercase, sans-serif font, centered within a white rectangular box. This box is set against a solid orange background.

ST CATHERINE'S
HOSPICE

Coffee mornings are held at the hall. Dates will be advertised when we know. Raffle also held.

There are also various donated gardening equipment for sale for donations to St Catherines. Enquire in the store.



Please bring along your family and friends to our coffee morning and support a great cause

We have a great raffle and plenty of home made cakes and tea and coffee and squash



C.H.S QUIZ NIGHTS

We do quiz nights that are popular and sell out fast. Hopefully we will have one or two this year, as long as we get the help. Volunteers always needed. Will advertise on web and shop when we have some dates.