

Dates for the Diary

31st July
Thursday

Grand Draw ticket stubs, money & prize donations to Pat and Terry Horsley, 2 Daymerslea Close, Walford Road, (01989 563105)

8th August
Friday

Help set up the main hall for the show from 3pm onwards

9th August
Saturday

79th Annual Flower, Fruit & Vegetable Show
At the Larruperz Centre show opens 2pm
(Help needed to dismantle the show afterwards from 5pm. See front cover

& inside for details).

16th September
Tuesday

Wildlife Along the River Severn
by Brian Draper

An old friend of the society, Brian Draper is well known for his knowledge of wildlife and for many years has been a guide to visitors on his fascinating trips all along the River Severn.

21st October
Tuesday

Mistletoe, Fact, Myth and Legend
by Dr Micheal Jones
Dr Jones will give us a much better insight into this strange and much loved hemiparasitic plant.

18th November
Tuesday

Annual General Meeting -
The Larruperz Centre - starts at 7.30pm.
Followed by The Further Adventures of Phil and Elke Denis. **Don't miss this** - another captivating story of Phil and Elke's world-wide wanders.



Used Postage Stamps

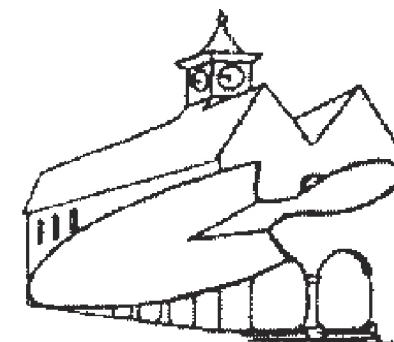
Thank you to everyone who has given me their used stamps during the past year. My fund collecting for the Acorns Children's Hospice is on-going and I shall be more than grateful to keep on receiving your stamps.

Bridget Forsdike



Ross-on-Wye

Horticultural Society
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FRUIT FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW 2014

Saturday 9th August at the Larruperz Centre.

Your society needs you!

Plant Stall: Plants of quality, fruit, vegetables and jams etc, are all needed for the plant stall.

Tombola: We need prizes for this (not necessarily gardening themed).

Contact Eileen Richards **01989 563637**.

Tea Shop: Please donate your lovely cakes, biscuits, scones etc. Also we need helpers to serve and wash-up.

Contact Elkie Dennis **07866 246240**.



Help us set up the hall



On Friday 8th August from 3.00pm onwards. -

Please note the starting time. Come along if you can please, even if it is only for an hour or so. Don't leave these tasks to the loyal few who turn up every year. Laying out the tables is quite a time consuming job, but with many willing hands the whole operation will be achieved much more quickly.

Help us dismantle the Hall after the Show

Saturday evening from about 5pm onwards.

If you can help with this or any of the other show activities, please talk to one of the committee members. Your committee and others have been working very hard since January to put together our 79th Annual Show. It would be greatly appreciated if all members could give us the support needed to make this a successful event. Any help you can offer, no matter how small, will be most gratefully received.



Summer Buffet at Upton Bishop Millenium Hall

Summer Buffet Lunch, on 31st May 2014

The usual mix of good company, good food and drink in the very pleasing and airy setting of Upton Bishop Millennium Hall worked well for the recent buffet lunch. This has now become something of a fixture for the Society, but the date will probably be moved back again next year to suit more members.

We have come to expect great things from the Broome Farm caterers, and were certainly not disappointed! Delicious food, generous quantities and plenty of variety was the order of the day.

Thanks to them and to the hard-working sub-committee who brought it all together. LUVVERLY!

Heather Lovett.

NEXT YEAR'S BUFFET LUNCH

**has provisionally been booked for
Saturday 4th July 2015**

So when you get next year's diary put this date in straight away.

Do you need Trestle Tables?

Your Horticultural Society owns 10 light-weight trestle tables which are kept at the Larruperz Centre, and is very willing to lend them out, free of charge, to any **member** wishing to borrow them, on **written request** to our Chairman, *Philip Dennis*, giving him details of dates etc. These will have to be collected and returned to the Larruperz in the same condition in which they were borrowed.

N.G.S. Scheme - Open Gardens

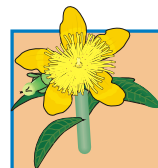
The Brooks garden in Pontrilas, run by Marion Stainton, is opening for the NGS Scheme on Sunday 21st September 2014 at 2pm till 5.30pm.

Entry is £3.50 and there will be refreshments and plant sales available.

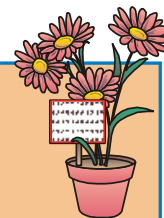
Marion will be speaking for us in October 2015 about Murder Magic and Plant Potions. Her website address is www.marionet.co.uk/thebrooks

The Lea Flower Show

Dont forget that his will be taking place on the Summer Bank Holiday, Monday 25th August at the Showground.



PLANT STALL REMINDER



Dont forget we should all be thinking about what plants to get together for this year's **Annual Show Plant Stall**. We very much rely on the profits made from this enterprise to offset some of the show's expenses .

August is a difficult time but I'm sure you will all rise to the challenge and grow on some best quality, interesting plants. Please make sure your plants are clearly labelled, weed free and well grown specimens, to impress the buyers to ensure we have a very successful stall.

Also we are very low on plants to sell at the **Monthly Plant Stall** so if you have any plants you could donate for that, they too will be very much appreciated.

The **Gardening Tombola** will need prizes too, if you have anything remotely connected with gardening you can donate for prizes, we would be very grateful.

*Thanking you in advance
Eileen Richards*