



WHAT'S GROWING ON?



Hello Garden Lovers,

Although there is no speaker evening this month due to the 3rd Monday coinciding with the Easter break, there's still plenty of garden related things to do and see.

Two immediate activities, though, require some quick footwork.

Firstly:

Get your entries in for our Virtual' Autumn Show in ASAP. To see the categories you'll find the schedule on the website, www.khs1894.com

Look under the KHS Flower Show Banner, then in Autumn. Take a photo of each entry, then send by email to Nicholas. nicholasscott@bigpond.com

Photographed entries must be received no later than 12 noon, Saturday 2nd April 2022.

In your email please state your name and category number for judging.

NB: If you know a member who can't receive emails, please let them know and maybe even help them to enter. www.khs1894.com

Have a go!

Secondly:

The Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show is on until this Sunday. After being cancelled for the last two years, it's back! Certainly worth the trip to Melbourne.

And now for a snippet of KHS History

Thankyou to our dedicated local historian, Mal Closter.

Note that their Autumn Show was to include competition for Irish and Scottish dancers, along with a fiddler to accompany the former, securing a 'first-class' Scottish piper for the latter.

Now that sounds lively!

KYNETON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Kyneton Guardian 1897

Last evening a meeting of the committee of this society was held at the Mechanics' Institute. Present – Messrs D. McLennan (in the chair), W. Orames, J. De Gruchy, W. Murray, J. Menzies, A. Campbell, J. S. Johnson, M. K. Armstrong, R. Dettmann, R. Darlington, W. Darby, S. Kelly, R. Hyndman, H. Carss, and W. Baker (secretary.)

A letter was received from Mr Boschen, of Castlemaine, asking to be allowed to exhibit some rustic flower stands at the show. It was decided to inform the applicant that the space in the hall would be limited, but that he could show his stands outside the building if he cared to do so.

Judges were then appointed as follows: - In flower and pot plants sections, Mr Maher, of Bendigo, and, in the event of his inability to attend, that Mr Paton, of Melbourne, be asked to accept the appointment; in vegetables and fruit section, Mr Ely, of Harcourt, in the event of his inability to attend, that Mr Woodmason, of Melbourne, be asked to accept the appointment. Stewards were appointed as follows: -

Class A (open) – In pot plants and flowers sections, Messrs Menzies and Carss; in pot plants section (for amateurs only), Messrs Castles and Philipson.

Class B – In cut flowers section (for amateurs only), Messrs H. Spencer, J. S. Johnson, M. K. Armstrong, and F. Boyett.

Class C – In fruit and preserves sections, Messrs J. De Gruchy, J. Smith, and D. McLennan.

Class D – In vegetables section, Messrs T. E. A. Castles and H. J. Telford. Lolly stall, Dr J. H. Pestell and Mr W. Groves; flower stall, Messrs R. Hyndman and J. Smith – the stewards of the lolly and flower stalls to secure the services of ladies for said stalls.

Doorkeeper, Mr W. Murray.

It was reported that £10 5s had been subscribed by the public for competitions in Scotch and Irish dancing at the show, and that the prize list committee had offered £5 5s of the amount for the Scotch and the other £5 for the Irish dances.

It was resolved to secure the services of a first-class Scotch piper from Melbourne for the occasion; also the services of a local or district fiddler for the Irish dances. The offer of Mr Findlay MacDonald to act as judge for the Scotch dancing was accepted, Messrs Carss and Menzies being appointed stewards.

Mr John Barry was appointed judge of the Irish dancing, Messrs J. R. Hardman and H. Rawson, M.L.A., being also appointed in connection therewith. It was decided to ask the Hon. N. Fitzgerald, M.L.C., to open the show, and should he be unable to do so that the Hon. A. J. Peacock, the Chief Secretary, be invited to perform the ceremony.

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