

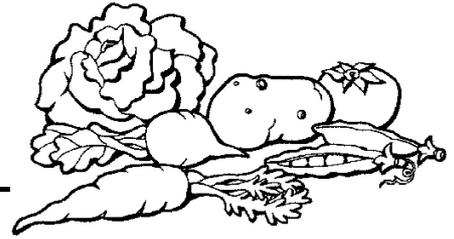
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NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2019

Welcome to our autumn flower, fruit and vegetable display! Could members who are exhibiting, please place entries in one of the classes listed below and be sure to include your name and details of varieties in your exhibit.

- 1 Vase of flowers, 3 stems of 1 cultivar.
- 2 Bowl of mixed flowers.
- 3 Vase of shrubs or foliage, 3 or more stems, mixed.
- 4 Vase of dried seed heads.
- 5 Five Fuchsia blooms, 1 or more cultivars (flower heads only, containers supplied).
- 6 Ornamental pot plant (incl. cacti & succulents).
- 7 Display of fruit, 1 or more types.
- 8 Display of vegetables, 1 or more types.
- 9 Tomatoes (dish of 5).
- 10 Display of herbs.
- 11 Preserves: jam, jelly or marmalade, chutney or relish.
- 12 Baking: **CABAHS Apple and Cinnamon Loaf.**
- 13 Floral arrangement in a jam jar or can from your food cupboard.
- 14 Competition: Potatoes (washed, in named transparent bag).
- 15 Competition: Fuschia pot plant (grown from plug supplied last Spring).

Entry is open to all members and you can enter as many classes as you like.

Remember, this is not a professional level RHS show - the emphasis is on participation!

Horn Fair will now be on 13th October - the date has been changed. If you have any plants potted up and ready for sale, please let a member of the committee know and we will arrange to collect these during the week prior to the event. We would also be grateful for any volunteers who can help staff the stand on the day. Once again, please let a member of the committee know or email us at cabahshortisoc@gmail.com.

Monday 30th Sept - CABAHS Walk in Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Meet at 10am at North Greenwich or 10.30am at Stratford Jubilee line exit. Anna will be leading and notes that there will be a considerable amount of walking involved, so be prepared! Bring a packed lunch/drink if you wish, or there are two cafes on the walk. See Anna tonight if you are interested.

Dates for your diary (also see What's On page of our website)

- **Gardener's Cabinet: Andy Sturgeon** - every season at the Garden Museum, Tim Richardson hosts a 'Gardeners' Cabinet' to learn the secrets of what makes great gardeners tick. 17 September, 7-8pm. Tickets are £25 and need to be booked in advance with the Garden Museum.

- **120 Fenchurch Street** roof garden, including Jennifer Steinkamp's wonderful artwork "Botanic" inspired by the Stanford wildflower seeding project. Free.
- **Garden Museum Friday 11 October**, 12pm Olivier Filippi: Bringing the Mediterranean into your Garden. Tickets £20, need to be booked.
- **Garden Museum 29 September 11 - 5** Houseplant Festival, which includes, talks, tips and tricks as well as plants for sale. Book tickets in advance.
- **RHS Lindley Library 19 August-15 November**, marking the 80th anniversary of the outbreak of the Second World War, **Dig for Victory** looks at how the nation learned to feed itself.
- **The Garden Museum -31 July to 27 Oct.** What to Look for in the Garden: A Ladybird Books Exhibition.
- **KEW GARDENS - Chihuly Reflections on Nature -** until October 27th

Pat's 10 jobs for September:

1. Lift tender perennials before frosts and cut down and keep in a frost free place. Against a house wall can be sufficient for some plants.
2. Plant spring flowering bulbs at the end of the month but don't plant tulips until November at least.
3. Keep deadheading your hanging baskets and window boxes to keep them flowering until autumn really arrives
4. This is a good month for taking semi-ripe cuttings from shrubs like hebes, viburnums and heathers.
5. Order new trees and shrubs so they are available to plant in the dormant season
6. Pick autumn fruiting raspberries as they ripen and leave canes unpruned after harvest
7. Make sure that outdoor tomatoes have as much light to ripen by cutting away any foliage that covers the fruit. Fruit will ripen up on a sunny windowsill.
8. For cut and come again salad in autumn sow corn salad and oriental salad crops and pick regularly
9. Put netting over ponds before leaf fall so they don't get clogged up.
10. Clean out birdbaths regularly to avoid algae but keep topped up with water.

Help

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to go on our 'help rota'. We will be calling on you throughout the year for support!

Next Meeting



Our next meeting will be on October 21st at 7.30pm, when we will have a talk from Rose Cottage Plants on planting spring bulbs.

In Vija's garden - foxes have become quite bold and are now re-arranging the furniture!