

26th February 1944.

A Committee meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30pm, Mr F. Darbey vice-President in the chair owing to the absence of Mr D. Neilson, who was unavoidably detained.

apologies

Mrs Armstrong, Miss Hill-Stewart, Miss Kay, also absent Mrs Neilson, Messrs D. Grindley & J. Watson.

mins.

The mins of the meeting held on 6th Dec. read & approved.

RCHS.

Medal cards now at hand, but not the address's of the winners.

show goods.

Mr Jennings still not collected the good from Harrisons. - called but no answer.

Xmas tree

Mr Jennings was thanked for the lovely tree which was erected at the last minute.

Marquee

Marquee to cost £168 inclusive of tables.

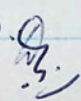
Spring
meetings.

Unfortunately the meetings for Feb & March 4 postponed - Feb meeting until the Autumn, & the March one on Thursday 9th May. The School bulbs to be judged at the school on a suitable date & Mr Neilson to say what the prize is to be. April 4th to go on as planned.

judges

The judges that were proposed have all accepted & Mrs Bostock to bring friend for the Floral Art.

Patrons.

Mr & Mrs D. Reid yes. Mr & Mrs Grasswick ^{Mr Menotti} yes - but do not want their names to be put in the schedule this year. There was no reply from ^{Prof. & Mrs.} the Braigs. 

24th April '44.

Show
Spencer. Both Mrs D. Reid & Mrs Baillie declined
Sir George Taylor to be asked if refuses
Mrs McVie or Mrs Younger.

May outip. Secty. to book bus for outip to
Surrath on Wed. 29th May. Cost will be
10p each for admission to Surrath plus
bus fare.

Prize Draw. Names with prizes taken for the
Annual Prize Draw Tickets 2½p each &
6 per book.

Grade Stand Craigleith Lacti to be asked if the
wish to come to the show again this year.
Also Mr Jennings will do a Rose
Display on the same lines as last year.

Reid trophy. Mr Hardie mentioned that Mr David
Reid & Lady Montgomerie are to donate
a Memorial Trophy. It will be
presented on Show Day by Lady Montgomerie.
It is to be given for Sweet Peas in the Open
Section and no names are to be put on it.

Posters. Secty. to see if it is possible to
purchase blank posters from Lottier
Printers to advertise our meetings.

Miss Hill-Stewart to be asked to
have notices printed (this not being done
earlier due to paper crisis) to advertise
April meeting & Coffee Evening in May.
except for bulbs.

After discussion it was decided
not to give retiring office bearers a gift as
this has been done sometimes in the past.
Mrs Cunningham to get a letter of appreciation
Mr Darbey was thanked for taking
the chairs.

David Wilson Chairman. M. Mackay. Secty.

apologies

Matters arising

A Committee meeting was held in
the Hall with Mr Heiber in the chair,
Miss Hill-Stewart, Miss Kay and Messrs
Darbey^{†Houston} also absent Messrs D. Grindley & J. Watson.
Mins. of last meeting read and approved.
Owing to the March meeting being
cancelled the School bulbs were judged
in the school at the beginning of the month
the winner was ~~the~~ Infant Class I, the prize
was £1.50, and they were judged by
Mr J. Stewart and Mrs A. More.

The April meeting was a poor turn out
when Mr J. Aitken, talked on Rock Plants.
The competition for a Poy of Spring Flowers
1st Miss J. Hill Stewart prize 35p and 2nd
Mrs B. Jennings prize 25p. Profit from this
meeting was 75p after all expenses were deducted.

Arrangements were made for the
Coffee Evening & Floral Art Demonstration to
be held on 9th May at 7pm. Admission
Adults 15p children 10p. Flowers to be raffled
tickets 5 for 10p. Prizes for Floral Art comp.
to be 1st 35p 2nd 25p. in both classes -
adults & children under 15. Mrs Darbey
in charge of Sales table, Miss Weddell coffee,
Mr Darbey - door, Mr Hardie - Raffle &
Mr Jennings - competitions.

notices

It was pointed out that Miss
Hill-Stewart had donated the paper on
which the notices were printed, she was
complimented & thanked.

Yenars

The Yenars had donated £38 to
the Society this year and have been
duly thanked.

copy of letter sent

Broadwoodside,
Gifford.
26th April 1974.

Lady Maryoth Hay,

Gifford Horticultural Society

Your complaint regarding Prize Money won at the Society's Shows in 1972 and 1973 was brought to the attention of the Committee at its last meeting by Mrs Mowat.

The Committee regrets very much that you feel a sense of grievance about this and respectfully wishes to draw your attention to the following points which it hopes may clear up what it believes may be a misunderstanding.

The treasurer's records for the 1972 Show contain your signature opposite Prizes amounting to 35p.

With regard to the 1973 Show the relevant Regulation in the Schedule points out that Prizes should be collected between the hours of 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. on the day of the Show. A poster to this effect is displayed in the tent.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary.

Show
Show Openers.

Still no Show Openers so Secty to write Mr Mendth's secretary to contact him to see if he will do it, if not Miss Bochrane to be asked then Mr Kidd.

There will be teas in the Hall again this year with Mrs Darbey in charge.

Coffee and lunches to be at the Tweeddale Arms

Braigleith Lacti are not coming to the show this year so there will be no Trade Stand.

Mr Jennings & Mrs Darbey to make inquiries about a loud speaker for the Marquee.

It was decided not to bother with Rubber Stamps this year as the Show Secty. said there was enough stickers for this year, also enough Staging cards. The cost of rubber stamps to be brought up at the A.G.M.

A letter to be sent to Messrs Leith & Berwick re confirmation of Marquee.

Also one to be sent to Lady Margoth Hay re prize money which she did not receive last year.

Finally names were taken for outing to Suntrap on 29th May cost 55p inclusive. leaving Gifford 6pm.

King Wilson
President

Margaret MacKay
Secty.

Summer
Outing

Apologues

Matters
Crisis

Correspondence

Show
Judges.

Reid Memorial
Trophy

District class.

Special Prize

Lemonade

Paper.

A Committee meeting was held in the Hall, with Mr Heilson in the chair. Mrs Bathgate, Miss Kay, Messrs E. Houston D. Grindlay also absent Mr J. Watson.

Minutes of meeting held on 24.4.44 read & approved.

Profit from Coffee Evening £34.00 odd. The Loud Speaker will be supplied by Mr J. Lully-Jackson at a cost of approx £5. Letter to Lady M. Hay - no reply.

from Vegetable Society, Oxtor Show, & R.C.H.S. Autumn Show.

Flowers - Mr Raeburn & friend.
Vegetables - Mr Paterson & friend
Industrial - Miss Murray & Mrs Forrest
Childrens - Mr Anderson & Mrs Strang.
Floral Art. - Mrs Bostock & Mrs Stewart.

The Reid Memorial Trophy will be presented to the Show before the opening ceremony by Mr J. Hardie on behalf of Mr David Reid & Lady Montgomerie who are both unable to be present.

Sec. to write Mr Turnbull R.C.H.S. Secty re District class being too late for this year's show, & requesting much earlier notice for the next time.

from P.B.I. Ltd., to be decided at the Show, as this was omitted in the schedule.

There will be no lemonade at the Sales Table.

Mr Heilson to see Mr Cassidy about paper to cover the tables for the Industrial & Children's Section also to

Comp. purchase admission tickets in Edinburgh.
Miss Hill-Stewart to Roneo tickets for the Flowers competition.

Electric Mr Jennings to see Mr Muller about the Electricity for the Marquee and cost to be £1.50p.

Staging cards. There are plenty staging cards for this year

Offers of help. from Mr & Mrs Hamilton, Mr Boggan & Mr Stewart.

Lunch. Mrs Neilson & Mrs Armstrong to accompany judges to lunch in the Tweeddale Arms at 1pm.

Prize list East Lothian news requested prize list from Mrs Stewart.

Water Mr Jennings to bring down.

Leas. Mrs Darbey requested a little sugar from each of the committee members owing to shortage.

Show Duties.

Judges & Stewards
Flowers - Mrs Darbey & Miss Hill-Stewart
Vegetables - Mr Grindley & Mrs Armstrong
Industrial - Miss Weddell & Mrs Houston
Childrens - Mrs Neilson
Floral Art. - Mrs Mackay.

Prize Lists
Flowers & Veg. - Mrs Mowat
Industrial & Floral Art - Miss McNaughtan
Childrens - Mrs M. Bathgate

Door 1-2pm - Mr Fairgreive

Keepers 2-3 - Messrs Grindley & Hamilton

3-4 - " Jennings & Darbey

4-5 - " Hardy & Boggan

5-6 - " Watson & Stewart.

Prize list Table - Mrs Mowat & Miss Hill-Stewart

Flowers Comp.

Auctioneer.

Leas

Sales table

& Raffle.

Next meeting

Mrs W. Bathgate - Mrs Hamilton

Mr Jennings to ask Mr Beaman.

Mrs Darbey, Mrs Houston, Miss Kay.

Miss McNaughtan; Mrs Neilson; Mrs

M. Bathgate; Miss Weddell, Mrs

Armstrong, Mrs Stewart & Mrs Mackay.

Wed. 28th August at 4.30^{pm} Hall.

M. Mackay
Secy.
Lady Neilson.
President.

28-8-44.

A committee meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30pm with Mr D. Neilson in the Chair.

Apologies

Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Neilson, Miss Hill-Stewart, Miss Kay - Mr Houston also absent Mr Watson.

Minutes of meeting held on 15.8.44 read and approved

Reid Trophy.

Mr James Hardy was cordially thanked for handing over the Reid Memorial Trophy at the show on behalf of Lady Montgomerie.

The main reason for this meeting was to find out the mistakes etc from the show and also suggestions which might help at future shows.

The Public Address System was a great success & to be had at future shows.

Mr Muller to be paid £2 for the electricity used on Show Day.

It was omitted at the last meeting about a night watch man & Mr Houston was approached & willing to do same for £3. Also a book taken for Mr Menotti which was £2.

Marquee

It was proposed & passed that the door of the Marquee be at one end on the same side but nearer the corner at the main st. so as not to have congestion at the door while the opening ceremony is being performed.

No late entries to be accepted after the said date also each entry to be judged & numbered as well as the alcoves for the Floral Art Section.

Also several points as follows to be brought up either at A.G.M. or when making up the Schedules. Entry Forms to be perforated; Bases for cups which do not already have one; Pottery Prize Money; Special Prize for Industrial Section; Entry money for exhibits to be raised; Close to be earlier; Show area for Industrial to be open; Admission to Show to be raised; Children's Section to be gone over thoroughly by Mrs. Mrs. Hilson & Miss McNaughtan

The Treasurer gave a rough account as follows - Sales Table £22, Door £66 Raffle £68 Leas £11, all being up from 1973 Show. Rose-bowl £8 & Auction £14 both slightly down.

R.C.H.S.

The District class was last held here in 1941 and was entered in the Schedule.

The Autumn Show to be held at Gorgie on Sept. 21 & 22nd.

Bulb Comp.

The Secty. to approach Mr Willox the new Headmaster at the School to see if they are willing to participate in a Bulb comp. on the same lines as last year - if so Mr Jennings will arrange for the Bulbs etc.

Forum

Mr Jennings to arrange a date in October either 14 or 24 for the Forum meeting which

comp.

was postponed earlier in the year, and Secty to advertise same for questions.

It was also proposed to have small competitions at all meetings.

A.G.M. 4th November. at 4.30 p.m. in the Hall.

Next committee ^{meeting} to be arranged for sometime before the Forum in October.

Margaret Mackay.

Secty.
~~Sandra Wilson~~
Chairman.

9.10.44.

apologies

A Committee meeting was held in the Hall with Mr D. Hilson in the chair.

Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Howat, Mrs Hilson, Miss Weddell Mrs W. Bathgate, Mr & Mrs Houston, also absent Miss Kay & Messrs Grindlay, Fairgrieve, Hardy & Watson.

The Forum meeting to be held in the Hall at 4 p.m. on Thursday 14th October. There will also be a Film Show, to be projected by Mr J. Lully-Jackson at a fee of £5. In addition there is to be a Bring and Buy Plant Table with the donors to price what they bring, in charge will be Mrs Howat, Mrs Stewart & Mrs W. Bathgate. Questions to be asked for in notices intimating the meeting. All committee members not here to get a P.C. Admission by collection. Speakers to get coffee & sandwiches at Goblin as they do not take expenses, Mr Darbey to accompany them.

Marquee.

The account for the Marquee now on hand being £168 + Vat Total £181.44p. to be paid.

Letter read from Dunbar Floral Art with invite for meeting on 10.10.44.

Pres.

Margaret MacKay, Secty.
David Neilson.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held in the Hall on Thurs. 4th November 1944.

Mrs Neilson, President, presided over a poor attendance of members & friends. Minutes of A.G.M. held on 1.11.43 read & approved.

Treasurer's Report.

Mrs Howat gave a good financial report with the balance being £214, this being £30 up from last year. Xmas Tree Fund £24.54p.

Mrs Neilson thanked her for her good work, and also the auditor, Mr McDiarmid who was unable to attend.

Resignations

Mr F. Darbey Vice-President, and committee members Miss Kay, & Mr & Mrs Houston.

New Comm.

The Office-Bearers & committee all willing to do their duty again.

Mrs J. Christie Messrs A. Boggan, P. Radband & W. Taylor new committee members.

A. Vice-Pres. to be co-opted at the next committee meeting

Patrons.

The following names to be removed from the list Mrs E. Campbell, Messrs Morris & Parker, & Mr & Mrs MacKay.

The following to be asked if they wish to be Patrons Mr & Mrs Gresswick; Col. & Mrs Bradford; Mr & Mrs Hepburn, & Mr & Mrs Goddard.

'45 Show.

The date for next year show Sat. 23rd August 1945.

Both Rubber Stamps & Gup Bases

Show.

to be left till later date.

The show is to close at 5.45pm instead of 6pm. - Show Regulation No. 12.

The membership to be raised from 15p to 25p.

Admission to show now being 15p for adults and 5p for children.

Entry money now 3p per entry & 60p for 20 or more.

Prize money to remain the same except for a few which will be decided when making up the schedule.

Special Prize for Industrial also to be decided at next com. meeting.

Section 5 - Industrial to be open to the County & wording the same as Section 4.

Winter Activities

February 6, Mr Boggon to arrange with alternative for April 3. Mr Grindlay to see about having a quiz on the vacant date.

March 6. Coffee Evening with Floral Art demonstration by Mrs W. Bathgate, Bulb Show & Floral Art competitions for both school children & adults, Sales Table & Raffle.

May 28th outing to Bush.

It was proposed to have a Wine & cheese ^{party} in the summer details later.

A Committee Meeting was arranged for Thursday 5th Dec. at 4.30pm in the Hall.

Margaret Mackay Secty.
David Neilson
President.

A Committee Meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30pm, with the President Mr Neilson in the chair.

At the start of the meeting, Mr Neilson welcomed 4 new Committee members, Mrs J. Christie, Messrs A. Boggon, P. Radland, & W. Gaylor, to their first meeting.

mins
apologies

The mins. of 9.10.44 read & approved. Mrs Armstrong, Mrs W. Bathgate, Mrs Stewart, also absent Messrs D. Jennings & J. Watson.

Vice-Pres.

Miss M.K. Weddell was co-opted as Vice-President.

The complete committee was then read out as follows.

President - Mr D. Neilson

Vice-President - Miss M.K. Weddell

Secretary - Mrs M. Mackay

Treasurer - Mrs W.J. Moorak

Show Secretary - Mrs J.I. Stewart

Members of Committee

Miss & Mr Haughton, Miss J. Hill-Stewart

Mrs D. Armstrong, Mrs O. Christie, Mrs F. Darbey

Mrs M. Bathgate, Mrs W. Bathgate, Mrs D. Neilson

Messrs A. Fairgrieve, J. Hardie, D. Grindlay,

D. Jennings, J. Watson, A. Boggon, P. Radland

W. Gaylor.

Winter Activities

Mr Boggon's friend is unable to come, so Secty to contact Mr Evans of the Botanic, or Mr Sheares of the ^{College} Dept of Agriculture (Horticultural Division) to give a talk on February 6th.

March 6th - Mr Bathgate to give Floral Art Demonstration, incorporating a Coffee Evening Bulb comp & Floral

Art Comp for both adults & school-children
Sales Table & Raffle.

April 3rd - Mr Grindlay to arrange
a quiz.

Christmas Tree.

Mr Hardie intimated that he was
to help Mr Jennings to erect the tree.

Shows

Flowers - Mr Wallace's Friend

Judges.

Vegetable - Mr Cockburn's Friend.

Floral Art - Miss Main's Friend.

Childrens - Mr Anderson

Industrial - Miss McNaughtan to arrange.

Advertising in schedule, Mr Laylor
said West Mills would take whole Page
Drene Spray & Mrs Hain to be approached
for back cover. Price same as last year.
Whole Page £3. Half Page £2.

Shows

Opens
Special
Prizes

Sir George Laylor to be asked - if he
refuses Mrs S. Younger or Mr M. Ridd.

After discussion it was decided that
Mrs Crawford be asked to judge for the
Vale Trophy.

The Charles K. Murphy to be awarded
to the boy with most points in the Childrens
Section & the Childrens Cup to the girl with
most points.

The Lady Tweeddale Trophy for most
points in the Industrial Section (5).

Prize by A.M. Hogg for most points
in the Floral Art Section (4)

Other alterations made accordingly
Section H now reads Floral Arrangements
instead of Floral Art.

The prize money in class 23 raised
from 25p to 30p.

It was decided not to incorporate
Saltoun Garden Club into the Show,
(as Mrs Stewart suggested) but they are
welcome to show and come to any of
our meetings, of which a notice will
be sent to Mrs Stuart of Pilnuit.

Wine &
cheese.

If the occasion ~~arises~~ arises with
Mr Menzies, Mr Neilson is to put
out a feeler about having a Wine
& Cheese Party at Yeates sometime
in early June.

Marquee.

Mr Radband said he would get
an estimate for marquee size 130 ft x
30 ft and 100 tables from Purvis of
Edinburgh as well as Secty. to contact
Leith of Berwick.

Margaret MacKay Secty.
M. K. Weddell Via Pres.

6th February 1945

A Committee Meeting was held in
the Hall at 4.30 pm. with the Vice-President
~~in the~~ Miss M. K. Weddell in the chair.

Apologies

Mr & Mrs Neilson, Mrs Armstrong, Miss Hill-
Stewart, Messrs W Laylor & J. Hardie, also
absent Messrs A. Boggan, A. Fairgrieve,
D. Jennings & J. Watson.

Minutes of meeting held on 5.12.44
read & approved.

Matters
Arising

Owing to the state of the Hall kitchen
the Coffee Evening etc. has been put
forward to 3rd April, and a lecture
on Vegetables by Mr G. Patterson, will