

Date of Next Year's Show was fixed for Saturday, 20th August.

Coffee Evening. It was proposed that a Coffee Evening and Bake + Bandy Stall be held on Thursday, 20th January. It was suggested that friends in the village be approached to show films or slides which might be of interest to the members.

Any other business. It was proposed that a Machine Knitting Class be incorporated in the Schedule and that was agreed to.

It was also agreed that the definition of "A vase" - according to Floral Art rules - should be noted in the Schedule.

The business of the Annual General Meeting being completed, the Committee divided to draw up the Schedule for the Flower Show in 1966.

23 Nov 66 - *Wm Mitchell Vice Pres*
for Mr Gellie Pres.

Committee
Minute of a meeting held in the Hall on Tuesday,
1st February 1966.

Present

Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Meek, Mrs McNaughtan, Mrs Pat,
Mrs Ken, Messrs McIlloch, D. Jennings, A. Fairhead,
Mr Thomson, J. W. Johnstone, and J. Meek.

Mr Mitchell was in the Chair.

Apologies were read from Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Ann Campbell, Mrs Murray,
Mrs Bathgate and Mr Lillies.

Minute of Committee meeting held on 22nd November 1965 was read and approved.

Ideas for an Outing were discussed, and it was suggested that the Society might visit The Bush on an evening in May. The Social Secretary was asked to get in touch with Mr Wallace, who would advise her as to whom she should contact for permission to visit the Bush.

Hire of Marquee Two estimates for the hire of a marquee were submitted (1) from Balders of Leith whose estimate was £54.11/- and (2) from Leith of Berwick whose estimate was £45.0/- The meeting was unanimous in their agreement to accept Messrs Leith's estimate of £45.0/- and the Secretary was instructed to write the firm accordingly.

To Open the Show. Nominations for opening the Flower Show were asked, and Lady Helen Berry was proposed by Mrs McNaughtan, seconded by Mrs Pat. If Lady Helen was unable to come, the name of Lady Sinclair was proposed.

Judges It was suggested Mr Wallace of the Agricultural College might again be asked to find Judges for the first three Sections at the Flower Show. Mrs McNaughtan promised to try and find judges for the Industrial Section. Mr McIlloch proposed that the men Judges again judge the Floral Art, and this was agreed to.

Margaret M. Armstrong
Margaret Murray.

Minutes of Committee Meeting, held in the Hall
on Tuesday, 29th March 1966, at 7.30 pm

Present:- Mrs Bathgate, Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Mack, Mrs Pate,
Mrs Wroughton, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Murray,
Messrs. D. Brindley, A. Fairgrieve, J. W. Johnstone,
W. Thomson, J. Mculloch, Derek Jennings,
Gus Mack.
Mrs Armstrong in the Chair.

Apologies were read from Mrs Lillis, Mr Mitchell, Mr Peter Kerr,
and Mrs J. R. Brown.

Minutes of last meeting, held on 1st February was read and approved.

Arising Mrs Bathgate reported that an Outing to the
Bush Gardens had been fixed for the evening
of Tuesday, 24th May, and a Bus would leave
the village at 6.15. ~~Numbers~~ Those intending
going the Outing would give their names to Mrs Bathgate.

The Secretary reported that Lady Helen Berry
hoped to ~~be able~~ arrange for being in Lifford
on 20th August to open the Flower Show, and
would confirm this later.

Judges Mr Wallace has agreed to judge
Sections 1, 2, & 3 at the Flower Show, and
to bring two of his colleagues, Mr Banatt
and Mr Shearer, to assist him. Mrs
Wroughton has secured the services of Mrs
Lewack, and Mrs Wallace to judge the
Industrial Section.

It was proposed
that Mr Anderson might again be asked to
judge the Children's Section, and the Secretary
was instructed to do so.

Dalkeith & District Horticultural Society, had made available to

to several Entry Forms for a Special Barrel class
at their Show on 14th September.

Recording of Gardener's Forum. The Secretary brought up the matter
of the Recording of Gardener's Forum by the Society on
Tuesday, 19th May in the Hall. The drill for the Forum
was read and it was reported that admission would
be by complimentary ticket only. 120 Tickets had
been printed and the members of the Committee ~~had~~
agreed to attend to the distribution of them. The
Secretary reported that the names of eight people,
together with 24 Questions, from which 8 would be
chosen by the B.B.C. to be asked of the panel, were
required, and after discussion, it was agreed that
Bills might be put in the Shops, giving details
of the Recording, and asking that names and
questions be in the hands of the Secretary by
Saturday, 16th April.

Next Committee Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 10th May.

Wm Mitchell
10 May 66

Margaret Murray, Secy.

Minutes of Committee Meeting held in the Hall
on Tuesday, 10th May 1966 at 7.30 pm.

Present:- Mrs Mack, Mrs A. Pate, Mrs Wroughton, Mrs J. R. Brown,
Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Peter Kerr, Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Murray,
Mrs Bathgate, Messrs. D. Brindley, W. Thomson, J. Mculloch,
Derek Jennings, R. R. King, Gus Mack, Mr Mitchell.
Mr Lillis was in the Chair.

Apologies were received from Mrs Campbell and Mr Fairgrieve.

Minute of last committee meeting held on 29th March was read and approved.

Arising:- Mr Ballygate reported that the cost of the Outing to Bush House on 24th May would be 5/- provided the bus was full. Names were being handed in and it looked as if the requisite number would attend. The bus would leave the village at 6-15.

The Secretary reported that Lady Helen Berry has intimated she has arranged to be in Bifford on 20th August and will perform the Opening Ceremony.

It was also reported that Mr Anderson of Garbold had accepted our invitation to judge the Children's Section.

Erection of Platform would again be in Mr. Bishop's hands, and the men of the committee agreed to undertake the decoration of the platform and making the bouquet.

The question of material to cover the tables was discussed, and Mr Brown undertook to enquire about plastic material which could be used a few times over.

Floral Arr Tables. The men of the committee undertook to erect the equipment required for these tables.

Sales Table. It was emphasised that this should again be boosted, and agreed that the Raffle Books be in fives again as the sale of tickets last year was very high.

Mr Thomson brought the Hector Campbell Cup to the meeting, and Mr J. R. Brown proposed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Campbell acknowledging her kindness in presenting such a lovely Cup for Competition.

Show Bills. Regarding the Show Bills, Mr Armstrong promised

promised to find out from the Insurance Company if they would agree to give us Show Bills this year.

Mr Mitchell undertook to ask Messrs. Bools if they would give us Prize Labels again. Lunch for the Judges would be at the Robin Ha' this year.

Broadcast Recording. The Secretary reported that arrangements were complete for the recording of Sanderson's Forum on Tuesday, 19th May.

Any other business Mr Armstrong asked that the Stewards at the Flower Show should use block letters on the Prize Labels, and Miss Ingham suggested that children be not asked this year to accompany the Stewards.

Next meeting would be on Tuesday, 9th August at 4-30 pm.

Mr Mitchell welcomed Mr Billies back after his illness, and asked that he be thanked for the capable way in which he had conducted the meeting.

W. W. Mitchell
9th Aug 66

Margaret Murray,
Secretary.

Extract from "Courier" of 27th May 1966

"Sifford Horticultural Society. Last week the Society met to make a recording of "Gardeners' Forum" to be broadcast on the B.B.C. Home Service on Sunday, 29th May. The Hall was packed to capacity with members eager to hear the comments of the Panel - Mr. Storr, Mr. Ian Forbes, and Mr. Gordon Smart - on the questions asked. Mr. J. G. Wallace, Senior Adviser of the Edinburgh and East of Scotland College of Agriculture, was in the Chair, and the arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Kenneth Humphreys, Producer, Agriculture in Scotland. After the recording, there was a lively session of questions and answers which flew forward & backwards, and the Producer remarked that it had been one of the happiest gatherings they had had. Professor Mitchell, Vice-President of the Society, thanked the B.B.C. and the Panel for giving Sifford Horticultural Society the opportunity of learning how to deal with their Gardening problems."

Questions were:-

(1) From Mr. Wm. Thomson for Mr. Campbell, The Wards, Sifford.
"I bought a healthy large, flowering Clematis called 'Mrs. Bolmondley'. It was planted on a west-facing wall with a sunny position and the roots in the shade. It had a good root system and good fat buds at the base. It never grew. The same happened to an identical plant bought at the same time but planted in a different garden. We have always been successful before, but why should this happen?"

(2) From Mrs. Murray, Garden Cottage, Sifford.

What is the view of the Panel on the efficiency of pre-emergent weed killing sprays, and can you give some advice on their use with (a) potatoes and (b) other vegetables.

(3) Mrs J. R. Brown, Station Road, Sifford.

What varieties of eating and cooking apples does the panel advise for growing in Scotland around about 500-900 feet.

(4) Mrs Hamilton, Sheriffside, Sifford.

How is it that carrots still do not grow in spite of sand in the soil, proper feeding, and precautionary measures against carrot fly?

(5) Professor W. M. Mitchell, Highwood, Sifford.

Would the team suggest a few evergreen hardy shrubs, suitable for the small garden.

(6) Mrs. Mack, Sunnyside, Sifford.

Is it true that by planting French Marigolds among the Tomato plants, it prevents white fly, and what other plants grow well together.

(7) Miss Sheila Brunt, Abbotsview, Haddington.

I should like to know the best feeding for herbaceous border where the soil is heavy.

(8) Mr. Derek Jennings, Broadwoodside, Sifford.

What causes hollow centres in some varieties of dahlia cuttings, e.g. Chinese Lantern, Doris Day, Townley Blair, and what action can be taken to prevent this happening?

Rehearsal + (9) Mr. Angus Fairgrieve, Broadwoodside, Sifford.

What soil would you prepare for cucumbers & what is the best way to grow and store them.

Rehearsal. Mrs. Millar, Kibbrae, Sifford.

Primulas, if left in one place seem to deteriorate. Can the Panel suggest a top dressing which will keep them in good heart?

Minute of Committee meeting held in the Hall on Tuesday, 9th August 1966.

Apologies were read from Mr Billies, Mr Hamilton, Mr Bathgate, Mr & Mrs Beek.

Present:- Miss Pate, Miss McNaughtan, Mr J. R. Brown, Mr Peter Ken, Mr Armstrong, Mr Murray, Messrs D. Brindley, A. Fairgrieve, J. W. Johnstone, J. Mculloch, D. Jennings, R. R. King.
Mr Mitchell was in the Chair.

Minute of last Committee meeting, held on 10th May was read and approved.

Mr Mitchell spoke of the impending departure from Sifford of Mr & Mrs Beek, and of how much they would be missed by the Horticultural Society. They had been members of the Committee and had been of great service to the Society.

Arising from last minute. It was reported that Mr Brown ~~300 yards~~ had bought 300 yards plastic material for the tables, at a cost of £3.11.2, which carried a discount of 20%.

The Secretary read an Extract from the Courier regarding the Broadcast on the Home Service of Gardeners' Forum by the Society, which has been recorded in the Minute Book.

Mr Brindley and Mr Jennings undertook to do the decorating of the platform, and making the bouquet to be presented to Lady Helen Berry. Mr Johnstone would fix up the Electric Bells to be led to the Marquee, and also undertook to bring the Vases and Letting to the Marquee on Friday night.

Ideas for raising money at the Show were asked for, but it was felt that all of the Committee would be too busy, and that if the Sales Table were boosted, the proceeds from it would help. It was

Arising (Cont.) suggested Mr Dunbar be asked if he would again gift soft drinks to be sold at the Sales Table.

Duties:- were allocated as follows:-

Stewards to accompany Judges

Men:- David Brindley, Derek Jennings, Angus Fairgrieve

Ladies:- Mr Brown, Miss McNaughtan, Mr Bathgate.

Sales Table & Raffle:- The Ladies of the Committee.

Doorkeepers:- 1 pm to 2 pm. Mr Mitchell.

2 pm to 3 pm. Mr Johnstone & Mr Jennings.

3 pm to 4 pm. Mr King and Mr Brindley.

4 pm to 5 pm. Mr Fairgrieve & Mr Jennings.

5 pm. to 6 pm. Mr Johnstone & Mr King.

Mr Bombe would be asked to be nightwatchman again.

It was proposed that Mr Billies and Mr Murray accompany the Judges to lunch at the Goblin Ha'. Tea would be brought to the Marquee at 4 o'clock for Mr Armstrong and her Assistant.

Lady Helen Berry and friends would be the guests of Mr Mitchell at tea.

Mr Mitchell agreed to thank the Speaker.

Any other business. It was decided that bases should be paid for when entries are made, and that next year's Schedule should be altered accordingly.

Mr Brown suggested that flowers be sent from the Show to Miss Heddell, who had been a member of the Committee for so long, and who has been ill recently.

Mr Archie Campbell would be asked to auction the flowers and vegetables at the end of the Show, & if he could not undertake this, Mr Jennings would do it.

Mr Billies was asked to arrange for 4 boys to help clear up after the Show.

Wm Mitchell
for the Pro
Marquee
banned
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Minutes of Committee meeting held in the Hall
on Wednesday, 26th October 1966

Present: Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Wroughton,
Mrs Murray, Messrs W. M. Mitchell, J. W. Bullock,
J. W. Johnstone, D. Jennings, D. Brindley,
Mr Billies was in the Chair

Apologies were read from Mrs J. R. Brown, Mrs Pate &
Mrs Peter Ken.

Minutes of last Committee meeting, held on 9th August was read
and approved.

Arising A letter was read from Mrs Fredell
acknowledging the flowers sent to her by the
Committee on Flower Show Day.

Finance Mrs Armstrong gave short report of on finance.
The Society's books have not yet been audited
but she estimates that this year's balance may be
down by £15, due principally to a decrease
in the takings from the Sales Table and from
the sale of Raffle Tickets.

At this point it was suggested that Tombola
might be introduced next Flower Show instead of
a Sales Table, or a Raffle, but the matter
would be left to be discussed later on.

Letter from George Lewnes, Publishers, was read in which
they regretted that, owing to the present economic
situation, all awards from Woman's Own, Home
Gardener, and Amateur Gardening are to
be withdrawn. The Secretary was asked to
thank the Awards Department for their past kindness.

A letter from Mr J. S. Wallace, Judge at the Flower
Show was read, regarding the ambiguity of
the wording of Class 135 & it was agreed to
leave discussion of the subject to a later date.
It was agreed to put before the Annual General

meeting, the need for the Schedule being revised.
Suggestions could be asked for, and the will
of the meeting be acted upon when the
Committee met to draw up the Schedule.

Resignations A letter from Mr Billies, President, was read
in which he stated it was with much regret he
tendered his resignation as President, on account
of ill-health.

Mr Mitchell, Vice President, spoke of the great
loss to the Society which would be felt on Mr
Billies' resignation, but we had to accept it.
Mr Billies had recently been ill, and his Doctor
had advised a period of a few years' complete
rest from responsibilities. Mr Billies in the
short time he had been President had greatly
helped the Society, and devoted his time and
energies to it.

Mr Mitchell also expressed his desire to
resign from the Vice-Presidency and these
resignations would be put before the Annual General
meeting. Mr Mitchell agreed to see Admiral
Sir Peter Reid, and find out if he would be
willing to be nominated as successor to Mr Billies.

Mrs Murray intimated her desire to resign from
the Secretaryship of the Society. The Committee
agreed to a suggestion that a Show Secretary
be appointed to take the work off the Secretary's
hands at Flower Show time. Mrs Armstrong
expressed her willingness to undertake this work, and,
subject to the approval of the Annual General meeting of this
arrangement, Mrs Murray agreed to continue meantime.

Resignations from ~~members~~ of the Committee had been received
from Mrs Ken; and Mr Mrs Mack & Mr R. K. King have left the
district.

Date of the Annual General meeting was fixed for Wednesday, 23rd November.
W. M. Mitchell 11.11.66 4.1.67

Entries Down but Gifford Show well up to Standard

DOUBLE WIN FOR LOCAL BUTCHER

With the total number of entries down about 150 from last year the organisers of Gifford Flower Show had cause for concern when the annual show took place on the village green on Saturday.

Saturday, 20th August 1966

The entries in almost every section were down as compared with last year, but there was consolation in the knowledge that the lack of support arose purely as a result of the weather of the preceding fortnight. Only the vegetables had escaped serious damage from the torrential rains that fell on several days and it was no surprise that the flower sections should be seriously depleted.

Cottagers had been particularly hard hit and it was a wonderful tribute to their enterprise and hard work that between them they managed to put on a highly creditable display for which the judges were full of praise. Indeed, it was a feature of the show that the judges experienced unusual difficulty in awarding the prizes. The over-all standard, they felt, was "quite remarkable."

The show was something of a triumph for local butcher David Grindlay who lifted the cups for the highest points in the Cottager and Amateur sections. A young man, Mr Grindlay took up competitive gardening only a few years ago and has shown such ability that he is now able to cope with three gardens. This was the second time he had scored a double at Gifford.

The attendance at the show was good, particularly early in the afternoon when the official opening was performed by Lady Helen Berry daughter of the Marquis of Tweeddale, who had travelled from the South especially for the occasion. Lady Berry recalled the last time she had opened such a show in the area — as a very young girl — and said how well the horticultural standards of the district had been maintained. She congratulated all who took part on the fine display they had assembled and spoke of the value to the community of attractive gardens.

Open Section

Flowers dahlias (garden cactus) — 1 D. Jennings, 2 A. Fairgrieve; dahlias (eight blooms) — 1 A. Fairgrieve, 2 D. Jennings; chrysanthemums (three varieties) — W. D. Thomson; chrysanthemums (five blooms) — W. D. Thomson; gladioli — 1 J. Gibson, 2 W. D. Thomson; herbaceous — 1 A. Fairgrieve, 2 W. D. Thomson; open border — 1 A. Fairgrieve, 2 W. D. Thomson; annuals — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 A. Fairgrieve; antirrhinums — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 J. Gibson, 3 A. Fairgrieve; pot plants — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 A. Fairgrieve; phloxes — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 J. Gibson; floribunda roses — 1 Admiral Sir Peter Reid, 2 F. W. Goddard, 3 W. D. Thomson; novelty chrysanthemums — D. Grindlay.

Vegetables — potatoes (three kinds) — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 A. Fairgrieve, 3 D. Mack; potatoes (kidney) — 1 A. Fairgrieve, 2 D. Mack, 3 W. D. Thomson; potatoes (round) — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 A. Fairgrieve, 3 D. Mack; tomatoes — 1 J. Gibson, 2 Miss D. Gallie, 3 A. Fairgrieve; cauliflowers — 1 D. Mack, 2 A. Fairgrieve; carrots (long) — 1 D. Mack, 2 A. Fairgrieve; carrots (stump) — 1 A. Mack, 2 A. Fairgrieve; onions (seed) — J. Gibson; shallots — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack; celery — 1 D. Mack, 2 D. Grindlay; turnips — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 A. Fairgrieve, 3 J. Gibson; onions (sets) — 1 J. Gibson, 2 W. D. Thomson, 3 A. Fairgrieve; French beans — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 A. Fairgrieve, 3 D. Mack; peas — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 F. W. Goddard, 3 J. Gibson; beans (broad) — 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 J. Gibson, 3 A. Fairgrieve; beet (round) — 1 J. Gibson, 2 A. Fairgrieve, 3 D. Grindlay; cabbages — 1 J. Gibson, 2 D. Mack, 3 W. D. Thomson; collection of vegetables — 1 A. Fairgrieve, 2 D. Mack.

Fruit — apples (culinary) 1 W. D. Thomson, 2 A. Fairgrieve; apples (dessert) — 1 J. Gibson, 2 W. D. Thomson; hardy fruit (three kinds) — 1 J. Gibson, 2 A. Fairgrieve; plums — J. Gibson.

Amateur Section

Plants — fuchsia — 1 J. R. Brown, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 J. W. Johnston; fern — 1 Mrs Campsie, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 Miss D. Gallie; begonia — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 Miss D. Gallie; Geranium — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 Miss D. Gallie; window pot plant — D. Grindlay.

Flowers — roses (6 blooms) — 1 Admiral Reid, 2 Mrs Gubbins, 3 F. W. Goddard; annuals — Mrs Gubbins; open border — D. Grindlay; herbaceous — 1 Admiral Reid, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 J. R. Brown; phloxes (6 spikes) — 1 Miss McNaughtan, 2 Admiral Reid, 3 J. W. Johnston; antirrhinums — 1 Admiral Reid, 2 D. Grindlay; asters — D. Grindlay; asters (double) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 J. W. Johnston; dahlias — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 J. W. Johnston; roses — 1 Admiral Reid, 2 A. Watson, 3 Miss D. Gallie; chrysanthemums — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 A. Watson; pansies — D. Grindlay; gladioli — 1 A. Watson, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 Mrs Inglis.

Vegetables — peas — 1 J. R. Brown, 2 Admiral Reid, 3 D. Mack; beans (pods) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 A. Watson, 3 G. D. Monro; beans (French) — 1 T. Junkier, 2 D. Mack; tomatoes — 1 Mrs Gallie, 2 Mrs W. Roxburgh, 3 T. Junkier; turnips (yellow) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 G. D. Monro, 3 D. Mack; turnips (white) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 Mrs Inglis, 3 A. Watson; heaviest onion — D. Grindlay; cabbages — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack, 3 Admiral Reid;

cauliflowers — 1 D. Mack, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 J. W. Johnston; leeks — D. Grindlay; carrots (long) — D. Mack; carrots (stump) — D. Mack; beet (long) — D. Mack; beet (round) — 1 Admiral Reid, 2 D. Mack, 3 D. Grindlay; shallots (red) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack; shallots (yellow) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack, 3 Admiral Reid; onions (from seed) — D. Grindlay; potatoes (round) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack; potatoes (kidney) — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 D. Mack; potatoes (three varieties) — 1 D. Mack, 2 F. W. Goddard; peas — 1 Miss McNaughtan, 2 F. W. Goddard, 3 A. Watson; rhubarb — 1 D. Mack, 2 A. Watson, 3 D. Grindlay; cabbage (heaviest) — 1 D. Mack, 2 W. Tait, 3 D. Grindlay; onions (sets) — 1 D. Mack, 2 Admiral Reid, 3 J. W. Johnston.

Fruit — apples (culinary) — 1 G. D. Monro, 2 J. R. Brown; apples (dessert) — 1 T. Junkier, 2 G. D. Monro; dish of fruit — Mrs Crawford.

Cottagers' Section

Plants — pot plants — 1 J. R. Brown, 2 D. Grindlay; foliage plant — 1 J. R. Brown, 2 Mrs W. Roxburgh, 3 D. Grindlay; fuchsia — 1 J. R. Brown, 2 D. Grindlay; geranium — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 Mrs W. Roxburgh; fern — 1 Mrs Bathgate, 2 D. Grindlay, 3 Mrs Armstrong.

Flowers (in vase) — D. Grindlay; asters (single) — D. Grindlay; dahlias (medium decorative) — D. Grindlay; phloxes — J. W. Johnston; dahlias (cactus) — 1 D. Jennings, 2 Mrs W. Tait; marigolds — D. Grindlay; calendula — 1 J. W. Johnston, 2 D. Grindlay; carnations — Mrs Allwright.

Vegetables — leeks — D. Grindlay; potatoes (round) — D. Grindlay; potatoes (kidney) — 1 W. Tait, 2 T. Junkier, 3 D. Grindlay; peas — 1 T. Junkier, 2 Mrs W. Tait, 3 Mrs J. R. Brown; shallots — D. Grindlay; cabbage — 1 T. Junkier, 2 J. W. Johnston, 3 D. Grindlay; cauliflower — T. Junkier; carrots (stump) — 1 W. Tait, 2 T. Junkier; beet (round) — 1 T. Junkier, 2 W. Tait, 3 D. Grindlay; lettuce — 1 W. Tait, 2 J. W. Johnston; beans (broad) — 1 T. Junkier, 2 D. Grindlay; novel exhibit of any vegetable — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 W. Tait; collection of vegetables — 1 D. Grindlay, 2 T. Junkier; carrots (long) — 1 W. Tait, 2 T. Junkier; rhubarb — 1 T. Junkier, 2 D. Grindlay; onions (sets) — 1 T. Junkier, 2 W. Tait.

Floral Art — arrangement of foliage and berries — 1 Mrs F. W. Goddard, 2 Miss F. Milne, 3 Miss D. Gallie; flowers arranged for effect — 1 Mrs F. W. Goddard, 2 Mrs Gubbins, 3 Miss D. Gallie; arrangement of seven flowers and foliage — 1 Mrs F. W. Goddard, 2 Miss D. Gallie, 3 Miss K. Jennings; small floral arrangement — 1 Miss S. Brunton, 2 Miss McNaughtan, 3 Mrs P. Kerr.

Miss A. Pate.

Handicraft Section

Ladies' knitted garment — 1 Mrs M. Jennings, 2 Mrs M. Glover, 3 Miss A. Pate; gent's knitted garment — 1 Mrs Souter, 2 Mrs Armstrong, 3 Miss A. Pate; child's knitted garment — 1 Mrs Glover, 2 Mrs Hew Carruthers, 3 Mrs Gubbins; machine-knitted garment — 1 Miss M. C. Russell, 2 Mrs J. R. Brown; soft toy — 1 Mrs Gubbins, 2 Mrs J. R. Brown, 3 Mrs D. Gallie; baby's matinee jacket (knitted) — 1 Mrs Allwright, 2 Miss A. Pate; embroidered article — 1 Miss D. Gallie, 2 Mrs J. R. Brown, 3 Mrs J. Elliot; ladies' underwear — 1 Mrs J. R. Brown, 2 Miss A. Pate; ladies' spray (members of Gifford W.R.I.) — 1 Mrs B. Kerr, 2 Mrs J. R. Brown, 3 Mrs Jennings.

Industrial Section

Bottled fruit — 1 Lady Reid, 2 Mrs G. D. Monro, 3 Mrs J. R. Brown; blackcurrant jam — 1 Miss F. Milne, 2 Mrs W. Roxburgh, 3 Mrs Murray; redcurrant jelly — 1 Mrs Murray, 2 Mrs Allwright, 3 Miss A. Sked; raspberry jam — 1 Mrs Armstrong, 2 Mrs M. Glover, 3 Mrs D. M. Hogg; strawberry jam — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs M. McKay, 3 Mrs J. R. Brown; lemon curd — 1 Mrs G. D. Monro, 2 Mrs D. M. Hogg, 3 Miss A. Pate; Scotch marmalade — 1 Mrs G. D. Monro, 2 Miss A. Pate, 3 Mrs Allwright.

Baking — four girdle scones — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs W. Tait; plain oven scones — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs D. M. Hogg, 3 Mrs M. Glover; dropped scones — 1 Mrs M. McKay, 2 Mrs M. Glover, 3 Mrs W. Tait; sausage rolls — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs W. Tait, 3 Mrs D. M. Hogg; cherry cake — 1 Mrs A. D. Greig, 2 Mrs Glover, 3 Mrs M. McKay; plain gingerbread — 1 Mrs D. M. Hogg, 2 Mrs W. Tait, 3 Mrs M. Glover; child's party cake — 1 Mrs D. M. Hogg, 2 Mrs Douglas; unfilled sponge — 1 Mrs M. McKay, 2 Mrs Murray, 3 Miss A. Pate; fruit tart — 1 Mrs D. M. Hogg, 2 Mrs Allwright, 3 Mrs W. Tait; shortbread — 1 Miss A. Sked, 2 Miss A. Pate, 3 Mrs D. M. Hogg; rich fruit cake — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs M. Glover, 3 Mrs A. D. Greig; iced biscuits — 1 Mrs W. Tait, 2 Mrs M. Jennings, 3 Miss A. Pate; individual salad — 1 Mrs M. McKay, 2 Mrs Allwright, 3 Miss A. Pate; supper dish for two — 1 Miss A. Pate, 2 Mrs Allwright, 3 Mrs J. Elliot; salad cream — 1 Mrs G. D. Monro, 2 Mrs Douglas, 3 Miss A. Pate; cold sweet — 1 Miss A. Sked, 2 Miss A. Pate, 3 Mrs Douglas; four open sandwiches —

Children's Section

Any sewn article — 1 Lucy Carruthers, 2 Janet Todd, 3 Irene Houlston; any knitted article — 1 Mary Glover, 2 Petula Kerr, 3 Margaret Gilmour; oven scones — 1 Janet Todd, 2 Petula Kerr, 3 Sheena Campbell; queen cakes — 1 Janet Todd, 2 Mary Glover, 3 Irene Houlston; tablet — 1 Petula Kerr, 2 Sheena Campbell, 3 Janet Todd; crayon drawing (under eight years) — 1 Lucy Carruthers, 2 Kirsten Muir, 3 (equal) — Mark Nairn and Eileen Fairgrieve; painting (eight to 11 years) — 1 Madelaine Gilmour, 2 Ann Nairn, 3 Sheila Kuhl; painting (12 to 15 years) — 1 (equal) Margaret Gilmour and Alan Douglas, 2 Ann Mountjoy; handwriting (five to six years) — 1 Melanie Campbell, 2 Lucy Carruthers, 3 Ian J. Fergusson; handwriting (seven to 10 years) — 1 Ann Inglis, 2 Sheila Kuhl, 3 Douglas Muir; handwriting (11 to 15 years) — 1 Jean Inglis, 2 Irene Houlston, 3 Sheena Campbell; collection of wild flowers — 1 Anne Nairn, 2 Kirsten Muir, 3 (equal) Lucy Carruthers and Petula Kerr; artistic arrangement of flowers in an egg cup — 1 Lucy Carruthers, 2 Petula Kerr, 3 Gavin Carruthers; collection of wild fruit — 1 Lucy Carruthers, 2 Douglas Muir, 3 (equal), David MacKay and Anne Nairn; miniature garden — 1 Anne Nairn, 2 Lucy Carruthers, 3 (equal) Alan Douglas and Robert Kirk; plasticine model (under eight years) — 1 Lucy Carruthers, 2 Douglas Muir, 3 Mark Nairn; matchbox furniture — 1 Petula Kerr, 2 Anne Nairn, 3 Alan Douglas; polished boots or shoes — 1 Wendy Muir, 2 Ian Fergusson, 3 Lucy Carruthers; polished boots or shoes (over eight years) — 1 Janet Todd, 2 Ann Mountjoy, 3 Sheena Campbell.

Special Prizes

David Bell Rose Bowl for most points in open section — W. D. Thomson; John Tait Memorial Trophy for most points in amateur section — D. Grindlay; Mr Charles K. Murphy's Trophy for most points in cottagers' section — D. Grindlay; Lady Tweeddale's Trophy for most points in floral art and industrial sections — Miss A. Pate; Children's Cup for most points in children's section — Lucy Carruthers; Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society Medal Card for best exhibit of h.t. roses — Admiral Sir Peter Reid; R.C.H.S. award for best exhibit of onion sets — W. D. Thomson. Amateur Gardening awards: — Silver Bronze Medallion for outstanding exhibits in fruit classes — Mrs Crawford; Award of Merit for outstanding exhibits in fruit classes — J. Gibson; Bronze Medallion for flower classes — D. Grindlay; Certificate of Merit for flower classes — Alex. Watson. Home Gardener awards: — Silver Bronze Medallion for best exhibits in vegetable classes — W. Thomson; Bronze Medallion for best exhibit in vegetable classes — D. Grindlay; Certificates of Merit — A. Fairgrieve and D. Grindlay; Blue Ribbon for best exhibit in show — D. Grindlay; Junior Certificate — Petula Kerr. Woman's Own awards: — Bronze Medal for baking — Miss Alice Sked; Diploma — Miss A. Pate; Handicraft Bronze Medal — 1 Mrs Souter; Diploma — Mrs Gubbins; Floral Art — Mrs F. W. Goddard. Special prize for best exhibit in children's section — Petula Kerr; Special prize from Mr James Fortune for best exhibit in cottagers' section — David Grindlay; The Vale Trophy for the most beautiful flower arrangement — Mrs Sheila Brunton; Special prize from Dobbie & Co. Ltd. for best dahlias — D. Jennings; Hector Campbell Rose Bowl for best exhibit of floribunda roses in open section — Admiral Reid.

Annual General Meeting, held
in the Hall, Wednesday, 23rd November 1966.

Present a small attendance of members.

Mr. Gillies in the Chair.

Minute of last Annual General Meeting, held on 22nd November, 1965 was read and approved.

Financial Report was read by Mrs. Armstrong, Treasurer, and showed a balance of £85:2:8 as against £103:17:11 last year.

Mr. McNaughtan, the Society's Auditor, gave a résumé of the position and said the accounts were clearly stated and in order. The balance was accounted for by various ups and downs.

Hiring was dearer, Gate and Entries were down, Sales Table also down, but the proceeds from the Boffee Evening - £15:8:3 - were of considerable help, and, on the whole, the Society was not too badly off.

President's Remarks. Mr. Gillies thanked Mr. McNaughtan for his help in auditing the Society's Books. He went on to speak of the Society's activities in the past year, notably the Broadcast on the Home Service on Sunday, 29th May, of Gardener's Forum, and of the visit to The Bush. He had enjoyed his term as President and it was with great regret that he had to intimate his resignation from that Office. Mr. Mitchell, Vice-President, voiced the great regret of the Society's members over Mr. Gillies' resignation as President. He thanked Mr. Gillies for what he has done for the Society, and expressed the members' sorrow that he must, at least for a year or two, be in a semi state of retirement. We must remember our finances would not be in the good position they are in today if it had not been for the hard

work he put into the affairs of the Society, and the loyalty he showed it. Mr. Gillies had said the great help he had received from the members of the Committee made it easy, but his was the guiding hand. We much appreciate his work and hope we may continue to have the benefit of his advice, till he can take a more active part again.

Mr. Mitchell intimated that Sir Peter Reid had expressed his willingness that he be nominated for the office of President, and on this being put to the meeting, he was appointed President. Mr. Mitchell also intimated to the meeting that Mrs. Murray, Secretary, wished to resign, but the Committee were putting forward to the meeting the recommendation that a Show Secretary be appointed to undertake the work of the Flower Show. This was agreed to and Mrs. Armstrong was appointed Show Secretary, to be assisted by Mrs. Hamilton.

At this point, Mr. Mitchell took the Chair in the absence of the new President.

The Office Bearers now read:—

President: Admiral Sir Peter Reid.

Vice Pres.: Mr. W. M. Mitchell.

Secretary: Mrs. Murray.

Show Secretary: Mrs. Armstrong.

Treasurer: Mrs. Armstrong.

Auditor: Mr. R. McNaughtan.

Hon. Presidents:—Mr. David Bell: Mr. David Neilson.

Mr. Jas. Fortune: Dr. A. Dunbar.

Resignations from the Committee were read from Mrs. Ann Campbell, Mrs. Peter Kerr, Mr. & Mrs. McKee have left the district, and Mr. R. R. King now lives in Canada. The Committee was appointed as follows:—

Committee:- Mrs Bathgate, Mrs A. Paté, Mrs McNaughtan,
Mrs J. R. Brown, Mrs Hamilton, Mrs McKay,
Mrs Derek Jennings, Messrs. G. Sillies,
D. Grindlay, J. W. Johnston, W. Thomson,
J. Mculloch, Derek Jennings, A. Campbell,
Date of next year's Show was fixed for Saturday, 19th August.

A letter was read from George Lewnes, Publishers, stating that, owing to the country's economical situation, the Awards Services in Amateur Gardening, Home Gardener & Woman's Own must cease, and no further awards made.

The matter of a revision of the Schedule was brought up and it was agreed to leave this to the new Committee. Several recommendations were made: viz: (1) That the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society's two Medal Bards be awarded for Best Exhibits of Flowers and vegetables respectively in Sections 1, 2, & 3, plus prize of 10/- in each case. (2) That Special Prize of £1 for class 136 be dropped; and (3) that Section 6 - Childrens Section - be divided into three parts according to ages, 5-8 years, 9-11, and 12-15.

A date, Wednesday, 4th January, 1964, was fixed for the Committee to revise and draw up the Schedule.

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