

WAHGA NEWSLETTER 21st AUGUST 2010

SHOW & FETE NEWS *Editor: David Hickman*



We're fast approaching our Show and Fete: the biggest day of the year. Please come along to the Gardeners Hall and support this fun afternoon. The Big Day at a glance...

- ** The Show and Fete are open to all from 2.15 to 5.15pm
- ** Entry costs only 50p and it's free for kids and disabled people
- ** You can park at Trevelyan school from 12 noon
- ** The Show Schedule can be found here www.wahga.org.uk or pick up a copy at one of the Trading Sheds
- ** Entry fee for most classes is just 50p

TAKE PART IN THE SHOW!

After a very successful show last year our Show Secretary, **Pamela Bailey**, has organised another great programme with a great range of classes for both children and adults. Why not enter for some of the following: Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Floral Art, Baking, Preserves, Handicrafts and Photography. There are also classes for Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers and Cubs.

CAKES AND HELPERS NEEDED

All those master chefs out there please note. Your cooking skills are needed to make this year's tea tent the best place in town!! Please bring scones and cakes of all types to the Gardeners Hall on the morning of the show. Alternatively contact **Julia Bird** on 01753 851275 if you need a cake to be collected. Please, please help as our tea tent is always very popular. AND, if anyone also has some time to spare and would be willing to help on the day do please let Julia know.

FETE - SOME GREAT THINGS TO DO

Attractions for all ages including a special musical attraction in aid of "Help for Heroes", Live Jazz, an Art Exhibition (in the Guide Hut), Scottish Dancing, Water Pistols, Hoopla, Bouncy Castle and Punch and Judy.

Refreshments: Teas, homemade cakes and sandwiches. There will also be a Beer Tent, Ice creams and Hot Dogs.

If you are able to display a poster, or know of a shop or notice board that would be prepared to display one advertising the event, these will be available in the sheds at the beginning of July.

Stalls: Membership, plants, produce, trading shed, bric-a-brac, tombola and books. We've also invited some charities to take part in the show and there will be stalls selling jewellery and honey.

Surplus produce: the kitchen would like any spare salad vegetables for the lunches. The produce stall needs vegetables to sell – runner beans are always popular. Plants and flowers for the plant stall will be most welcome.

Quality Bric-a-brac (no electrical items) and books are always appreciated for the stalls.

Buy next year's bulbs: visit us in the Trading Shed and stock up on your bulbs for 2011.

All helpers and prizewinners are invited to come to the prizegiving evening on Friday, 24th September at 7.15pm.

STOP PRESS.... A couple of messages from Don Hartridge our Allotment Secretary

We have done our annual review of the sites and I'm delighted to announce the following Allotment Prizes

Best Allotment:	Ron Jacobs – Maidenhead Road
Second:	Denzil Jones – Municipal
Third:	Armando Mannone – Bolton Road
Best Small Plot:	Sally Tormey – Maidenhead Road
Best Newcomer:	Francesco Tirelli – Fairground

WATER CONSERVATION

A number of allotment holders are abusing the rules relating to the use of water. The abuses include:-

- a) Use of hosepipes on sites with self-filling tanks, although siphoning of water to fill water butts is permitted.
- b) Use of hosepipes without a licence.
- c) Use of sprinklers, not allowed under any circumstances.
- d) Filling pools and water tubs or other activities unrelated to cultivation.

At a time of cuts, the Council will not accept charges of this kind and may refuse in future to contribute to the costs if these abuses continue. The effect would be to materially increase the rents of all allotment holders through the thoughtlessness of a few. Accordingly, your Committee will consider future violations to be disciplinary matters which may result in tenancy terminations. Thanks for your cooperation.