

## Newsletter

### *Chairman's Comments*



*The judge hard at work  
at Brownhills Show*

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Another season gone and already a new one started, what I wonder has Mother Nature in store for us this coming season? Well you members out there certainly proved at our own show that you can combat most testing times by putting on such a wonderful array of plants.

The Society stands at most of the large Horticultural Shows were well received and gained quite a few prizes and our thanks must once again go out to Frank and Mary Davies for their relentless work for the Society. Thanks also as usual for all our other dedicated helpers.

On the plant front myself I've cleaned up and taken off shading in my main greenhouse, changed over the position of my heat blanket mat to accommodate one of those Envirolight Growing systems. As I did this some time ago I have already grown some cuttings under it. I cannot be certain of its full potential yet, though it does make a difference, but I'll refrain from full judgement and comments until a full trial has been conducted.

As usual Frank's plants for the coming season are far in front of my own. Having more facilities he can start cuttings early. So this season I am hopefully growing slightly less quantity in a bid to give myself room to start cuttings earlier, as I used to do this when showing individually. Not all goes well all the time with my cuttings. This year I have had a number of leaves fail to root at all while still appearing to be perfectly healthy, I've also had one or two succumb to rot, something that I don't usually have a problem with, it hasn't caused me too much of a problem but I'm not quite sure that I've arrived at the answer yet! So if you have experienced this problem or have an answer let me know. I hope you all have a very good growing season in 2007.

**Ken Jones**  
**Chairman.**



*Some of the plants on  
show at Brownhills*

# *Secretary's Report*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL FROM MARY AND MYSELF, AND WE TRUST YOU WILL HAVE A GOOD GROWING SEASON IN 2007.**

First of all I will fill in the rest of last years shows the 3 remaining ones were Shepton Mallet, Harrogate and Malvern Autumn.

As I had said in the last newsletter the plants did not look as good as they had 12 months before, but nature being what it is, had put things right by the time we went to Shepton, we put on a good stand (we do not get judged at this show) and had two good days, owing to gale-force winds and rain the Saturday was very quiet, I had two helpers Ron and Bill, Mary had the day off for a change went out with her sister for the day.

Harrogate came next, we had not put a stand on at this show before, been and had a look but that side of it is quite different to setting up. Well as it turned out it was one of the best, van to within a few feet of the door, good wood floor to walk on, level as well. Mary had taken as many varieties as we could get in the van and every one bar one went on the display and although I say it myself it looked GOOD well it must have looked the same to the judges, they awarded a Premier Award (top award but for best in show) We had a vast amount of interest and quite a few new members and did very well on sales of seed and leaflets.

If you have not been to Harrogate it's well worth a visit just to see the amount of amateur exhibits there are.

Malvern Autumn, the last show of the year for us, plants looked good for the end of September but we could only manage a Silver award. One of these days I will get a GOLD at Malvern spring or autumn.

The show overall was good again with the vegetables and flowers its just like one very large village show, lots of interest and new members.

It will be February when you read this, and I am writing it late (Jan 1<sup>st</sup>) as I have been away for new year, went to Somerset for a few days to Mary's sister, paid a visit to Ron Clarke who lives not very far away from her, his plants look well, better than mine do, three or four lots of seedlings potted into small pots, had some trouble with a few cuttings, leaves keep rotting off the same thing has happened to me also to Bob Counsell and Ken. I have put it down to the heat in July because most of what have rotted off were put in late August or early September, we all have put leaves in later and they seem to be OK, the leaves I planted in June and kept very dark (covered the area of the greenhouse with a very dark shade) did very well, so I have put it down to the stress on the plants during that very hot spell we had.

On the way back home we called in on Bob Counsell in Weston Super Mare, he has a large collection of American Strops and the look very good, his young plants are the best I have seen him grow, if they keep growing at the same rate he will have some very nice plants to send out in the spring.

If you have not finished cleaning off all the old leaves, the ones that flowered last year, you had better get your skates on and finish, as the new growth will need room for the coming season, it will be feeding time in a few weeks, first watering in March and then we are off, before long we will be running out of room, when we are with our plants all the time even if we only look in for a minute or two on a daily basis we don't seem to notice that they are growing but if we move them how is it we always get one or two that will not go back where they came from.

March is a good time to start to pot on any plants that have filled the pot they are in with root, not forgetting to only pot into the next size pot, (e.g. 9cm to 11 or 12cm and so on)

## *Secretary's Report*

**if you have any in pots that are large enough and you don't want to go any larger you can take the plant out of the pot cut 1 to 1 ½ inches off the bottom of the root ball, put new compost into the pot and replace the plant, I have found in the past that this works quite well and seems to give the plant a new lease of life.**

**We have also noticed that leaf cuttings taken in late May early June make better young plants for the following year, but there is one draw back, if the weather is very hot, as it has been over the last two seasons, they do need a lot of shade and kept cool, on the floor under the staging is a good place.**

**Late July and August last season gave a lot of us a problem with caterpillars from large ones to ones you could not see, flowers eaten and no sign of what had done it, the little blighters have eaten the flower and end up the same colour and you can't see them, the larger ones do eat the leaves and are a little easier to find, these are moths. Prevention is always the best, windows are open but its too hot to close them at night even the door has to be left open, fine mesh net put over the window hole on the inside will stop them getting in and a mesh frame or curtain for the door, if it's a curtain you can peg it to the sides with clothes-pegs.**

**As you will see from the A.G.M. we agreed to put the annual membership fee up by a £1. to £6.00. this will help with the rising cost of postage. Most fees are due at the end of March but if you are in doubt look at your address on the envelope your membership number and the expiry date of your membership is after your post-code, if your membership is due could you please send it to Don Corfield, this will again save postage on a reminder in late March.**

**If you would like to help on the stand at any of the shows the society is attending during 2007 would you please let me know A.S.A.P.**

**Frank Davies**

### *Letters from Members*

**Dear frank.**

I noticed, while reading through the newsletters that many members have lost lots of baby seedlings, while trying to grow them. They may have the same problem that I did, and I didn't realise until I'd lost several expensive seeds in the process: what it is? FRUIT FLIES!

These inoculus litile beasties are everywhere seemingly innocently going about their business, but they lay their eggs in compost, and it isn't until the plants vanish, and you check, that the larvae have eaten them!

They look like transparent mini worms only about ¼ inch long, but it is too late then, the seeds have been lost.

It is possible to overcome this however, when sowing seed I not only water with a fungicide; I also water with a weak solution of pravado vine weevil insecticide. This stops the eggs from even getting hold. The adults I dispose of using the sticky traps you hang up near the seed trays, fruit flies seem immune to ordinary fly spray, so these do the trick, and it is quite surprising, over the season, just how many of these little pests there are about.

Due to the terrible season for powdery mildew botrytis etc, I have also started soaking my leaf cuttings in a solution of fungicide plus insecticide. They need to be left in about 1 to 2 hrs so the solution can soak in, then left overnight between sheets of newspaper to dry, then set in the usual way. The fungicide stops the mould and the insecticide stops the 'creepies'. I have a lot of problems with thrips and also vine weevil's it is disheartening to lose a whole tray of lovely young plantlets to these pests so prevention is better than cure.

**Yours Alison. 500.**

**Franks comment.**

***I will be trying the leaves soaked in fungicide and as for the fruit flies (we call them Sciarid flies) I have often wondered how to keep these little pests under control now I know, I will be trying that also.***

*(continued on page 7)*

# *Don't Judge the Judges!*

## *by Gordon Long*

Hello everybody, it's Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> of November and we have just e-mailed the minutes of our AGM on show day 27<sup>th</sup> July, to Frank for inclusion in your newsletter. Halloween, Guy Fawkes, (Saturday and Sunday) have gone, the dog is back to normal and my mind has wandered back to our annual show at the 'Memo'. What a day, as usual we had travelled up from Swansea on the Friday to help Frank and Mary set up the show. Got up there fairly early, so after a quick brew, loaded up the vans, drove to the Memo and set to. This job has become easier as we had drawn a map of last year's layout and took photos, so life gets easier. If you remember it was red-hot weather at show time, so we all prayed for exhibits to arrive. The next day we were not disappointed. So thanks to you all who 'Put up' an exhibit. As you can see from the AGM minutes although entries were slightly down, the Judge commented on the general quality of your plants. So well done you are getting it right even in a difficult season.

I started gardening when I got married (1970) and had never planted a seed before. However after joining the local gardening club we were away. I had a go at growing everything—flowers, pot plants and veg. But I soon fell in love with the dahlia.

I obtained six different plants off one of the local experts (exhibition stock) and I was off and growing. They bloomed, I dug up my tubers and next year I increased my stock and in my heyday was growing 250 plants. I had started exhibiting in the local shows, even in City of Swansea show and joined the National Dahlia Society so keen was I. Whether you grow dahlias, streps, chrysanthemums, carrots, onions etc it all takes time. These plants do not grow themselves, so for a seasons work to end in tears in a flower show is most disappointing. Ok, we are not all showmen, grow your plants and enjoy but if you decide to support your local show please do so. Sadly as old gardeners 'pass on' to the great compost heap in the sky, the village show is dying out (no pun intended) in many areas, as gardening/horticulture does not seem to be so popular with younger people. Gardens are becoming smaller, as house builders cram houses in, both partners usually work to pay the mortgage, so its Ground Force decking and containers etc.

Now a few reminders which might improve a show even more. Now don't blame the judge, he is only doing his job. He is not picking on you personally if you don't get a card at the show. I have stewarded, pot plants, cut flowers, veg etc and the judges are usually nice people, they don't want to discourage you so don't give him cause by slipping up on the obvious. Remember he judges what he sees on the day; your plant may have been brilliant last week, but that was then not today. Some judges will say 'it's not bad and there are some blooms to come' which will or may give you the edge on a faded plant that's 'going over', but don't bank on it.

The worst thing that can happen is the dreaded N.A.S., which means **not according to schedule**. The judge does not want to do this, but has no choice because you are to blame. Remember nine months work can be lost through a silly mistake. It may sound daft but the first thing to do is read the entry form, and then read it again. 'Well of course I do' you say but if it asks for five blooms of one variety it means five, not four or six, so don't shove one in for good measure or it will be N.A.S.

Now a plant in a pot not exceeding 5", of course a 4" pot or a 3 ½" will do, but if it is in a 6" pot—result N.A.S.

Pot size not exceeding 3 ½", now 2 plants in 3 ½" pots and 1 in a 3" pot—fine, or 3 pots in 3" pots ok, but 2 pots in 3 ½" pots and 1 in a 4" pot—result N.A.S.—9 months work down the drain, so don't be tempted to show your plant in that nice decorated pot that your Auntie Flo gave to you for your birthday, it may look nice to you but not to the judge. Stick to plastic pots he's not being picky just doing his job, so read the entry form.

As streptocarpus growers not many rules apply to us, fuchsia growers have it tough. Their plants must be in a terracotta coloured plastic pot, black, green or yellow won't do. It must have a label indicating variety and the pot must be clean (well that should go for any pot plant). Transgress at your peril—result N.A.S. or down pointed and that is before he has even looked at the plant!

## ***Don't Judge the Judges!*** ***(continued)***

So what can we do? Well be careful of pot sizes for starters, remember they are now in millimetres and imperial (inches) so beware, get the tape measure out! No fancy earthenware, and if it asks for a saucer-provide one, though most are flexible on this one you can't be too sure.

Now for the plants themselves, stating the obvious once again, look at your plant, remove any dead leaves at the crown and any old flower stalks. A little bit of browning on the leaf tip is a fact of life when growing streps, a part of the plants growing cycle. A little bit of browning on the leaf tip is easily cut off with a scissors (it is allowed in our show), some prefer a square cut, we round the leaf off and if you have a dressmakers pinking shears it gives the leaf a nice serrated finish, try to do this as near to judging as possible, the leaf looks fresher. Have a long pointed scissors and trim off old flower stems where they emerge from the thick part of the leaf. Remove any debris from top of the pot. Go over the plant and remove faded flowers especially on Gloria and Falling Stars, a time consuming job but worth it.

Now where do we grow our plant? 99 times out of a 100 the plant occupies its spot on windowsill or greenhouse which means it faces the same way every day, the sun comes up, light1 plant responds and grows toward the light which means it faces one way. This is fine if you put up a stand as all your plants are facing the audience, Stunning! However if you watch the judge, he will put a plant on the floor and stand over it. A good plant faces every direction, an' all round plant' as it is known, of course streps make life hard as they tend to grow 'east-west'. A plant of say Terracotia can be two feet wide yet only 9" deep making rotation of the pot difficult. If you have a greenhouse, try this. Stick the plant label at the back of the pot; this resembles 12 o'clock on a clock face. Two weeks on rotate the pot so the label is to ¼ past the hour, the two weeks later to the ½ past hour spot and so on. If you have lots of pots in the greenhouse then all your labels will face the same way. If room to grow is a problem there are several classes for small pots in our show schedule so for some of us it may pay to specialise in the smaller growing varieties.

### **Livestock**

No, I don't mean catle and sheep but creepy crawlies. If your plant carries any greenfly on its stems, mealy bug on the underside of the leaves, leaf holes by leaf cutier bees or caterpillars, then your plant will either be overlooked or severely down pointed. His year we have had trouble with tiny bright green caterpillars, their body colour matches the fresh young leaves of streps and can be a devil to find, don't forget they won't be on the surface waving to you, so check the undersides of the leaves. Little white dots on the leaves suggest thrips, these are tiny grasshopper type pests who when disturbed leap off the plant, if you can spot where it lands you may be able to squash it, but be quick as it will be off like a kangaroo, but a systemic insecticide should take care of this pest.

Red spider occasionally turns up, (especially on fuchsias), minute this pest is, that's why the judge sometimes reaches for the magnifying glass!! Provado may offer some help with this pest but some growers are now using biological control for this pest and whitefly. Provado and vi-nil is good against vine weevil and we have been using these products for a few years, though vi-nil is very expensive for the amateur grower to purchase. Vi-nil must be introduced from day one into the compost of potting up your leaves, young plants or seed, but we also find Provado very effective. We are and can beat the bugs, so clean plants please.

So with all these little jobs to do, don't forget to be at the show early, rushing in with five minutes to go before judging commences, trying to find your class and entering your plants can be stressful. So take time to get everything staged correctly: then a nice cup of tea and a cake and most importantly enjoy the day.

Gordon Long

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## *British Streptocarpus Society*

### *Minutes of A.G.M. 29th July 2006*

- 1) The Chairman declared the meeting open and welcomed members.
- 2) The minutes of the 2005 A.G.M. were moved 'taken as read' by Trevor Mills and seconded by Margaret Ereaut.
- 3) There were no matters arising
- 4) Secretary's Report: - Frank was his usual exuberant self, unable to sit down he welcomed the members and noted there were some new faces in the room. Talking us through the season from a cold miserable spring, which seemed to go on and on. Through mid season to long hot summery days with wilting plants and semi drought conditions. We are the same as farmers, never happy with the weather. But as ever we had plants for the show. Although entries were down slightly, the overall quality of the plants was good. So well done everybody. Since our first show there is always an improvement in the exhibits. As ever Frank asked for contributions to the newsletter—we are not looking for trained journalists or horticultural experts, just your own experiences, queries, swaps, photos etc. Just have a go. He then encouraged the members to keep hybridising-----you never know what you might raise, purposely or by accident! And if anybody has problems with registering their plants in America, the Society will help. On to shows, the N.E.C. at Birmingham was a great disappointment, so much so that we will be giving it a miss next year (its also expensive too). Weston Park Show replaced Shugborough – not a bad show but they were biten to death by midges!! Taton Park was brilliant, very hot weather, but the plants held up. A big thank you to the helpers at Taton, most appreciated. Very busy on the stand and were awarded a Silver Gilt medal, two points off a Gold. The plants were awarded 100% but as the notice board was Red! and the Society's name slightly encroached on the stand we were down pointed. However £ 275 for Silver Gilt to Society funds. Frank was hopeful for Shrewsbury Show if the weather cooled down a bit.
- 5) Treasure's Report: -- As usual Don talked through the figures. The stands raised £869 to date. £5,000 had been moved to a high interest account last October. Other expenses included £614 for a computer, B&B accommodation for far flung shows and purchasing the notice board. We had 640 paid up members at the A.G.M. our peak had been 824.

The accounts were moved as a true record by Bob Counsell and seconded by Ken Woodward.

- 6) Matters arising from balance sheet: - Membership fees were brought up by Frank Mills. Membership was described as constant but if it was renewed before the end of March the figures are shown on the previous year's balance sheet.

- 7) The Chairman then took centre stage: - He thanked the members for bringing their plants to the show and for enduring a difficult growing season. He mentioned the new postal regulations and also the rising costs of distributing the Newsletter. Since the Society was formed in 1999 there have been no increases in subs., rising costs have been absorbed, but three newsletters a year are becoming expensive. So from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2007 he suggested fees being £6.00 for U.K. members, overseas members 12 Euros/12 U.S.A. dollars. This was proposed by Bob Counsell and seconded by Ken Woodward.

Ken went on to thank all who had travelled, helped to set up and stage the show and also the ladies for their domestic skills and prompt service in the kitchen supplying refreshments. This was endorsed by a round of applause from the members.

With more members having access to the internet, there is a possibility of members receiving the newsletter 'on the net' but this is still in its infancy, but we will keep you posted!

Ken then closed the meeting and our usual question and answers on an informal basis took place including 'judging and growing in a small greenhouse'.

Minutes taken by **Gordon Long**



# Letters from Members

**Dear Frank Davies,**

Thank you for the letter, notices and Newsletter I received after joining the society at Tation. I was interested to read about the Society and how other people came to enjoy Streptocarpus. I thought I would let you know some of my 'Streptocarpus experiences'.

I was given my first Streptocarpus plant by a new neighbour when I moved into my present house in 1976. I found it quite forgiving and easy to look after, as I have never been renowned for over watering my houseplants. I did split the plant and successfully took leaf cuttings from it. It was quite a pale lavender colour as I remember and I kept its progeny for a number of years. In 2004 I went to Tation Show for the first time and there, in the marquee, I saw an amazing display of Streptocarpus of all shapes, colours and habits, I never before realised they could be so different. I came away with a packet of seeds. Some weeks after the show I planted the seeds, following the instructions and waited.

It wasn't long before the surface of the compost was covered in tiny green seedlings. I waited until early Spring 2005 and then potted the plants on I had hundreds!!! I do find it very difficult to throw plants away and I wanted to see what I had. I do have a small greenhouse which I use mainly for tomatoes and raising my own bedding plants. I do not have heating in the greenhouse in the winter, just for a few weeks in early spring. Once the bedding plants are planted out I have vacant shelves which I thought would be ideal for the Streptocarpus plants. Meanwhile the growing plants were covering every windowsill and floor space near glass doors. I did eventually get most of them into the greenhouse. They started off as 2/3 to a pot so I had different colours in the same pot. I started to give 'doubles' away to friends; I took some to Coffee mornings and watched the ones I kept in wonder. They weren't quite as good as the ones I'd seen at Tation but for a first attempt I was delighted. I tried leaf cuttings of 2 or 3 of the nicer ones but I was only successful with one velvety purple one with profuse flowers. In 2005 I cultivated a seedpod and saved the seed which I sowed early in 2006 to try to avoid windowsills full of tiny plants. I now have some of my original plants plus lots of small plants some with buds which are ready to be put into individual pots. The season is coming to an end what am I to do with them all during the winter. !!!

Later September. I do now have my 'old plants' flowering profusely in the greenhouse; some of the 'this year's' plants are in flower. What must I do now?? I have limited places in the house for so many plants. I do intend to discard some of the older ones. Some have the white woolly infestation and some are quite weak. I have found that paler colours seem to be weaker plants and I wonder if that is usual. I enclose two photographs; one shows an original plant with velvety purple petals that is on the left with its clone on the right. I think I think there may be two clone plants in the pot I haven't tried leaf cuttings this year. The other photo is of two pink ones, the one on the right has dark pink petals and dark stem, and the one on the left has large flowers but quite short stems. I know the photos are rather dark but I wonder if any of the pictured plants are named varieties.

I enclose a cheque for £5.00. can you please let me have the leaflet with advice for winter and any other leaflets that you think might be useful to carry my interest further. I look forward to hearing from you soon and I hope the lady who bought a packet of seed at Tation this year when I was at your display is seeing them develop and I hope she gets pleasure from them.

Thank you all,

**Yours Brenda Wright.**

*Franks comment.*

*Brenda.*

*First of all may I deal with your woolly white infestation, it sounds very much like mealy-bug.*

*You can use a spray for this, PROVADO ULTIMATE BUG KILLER.*

*I am afraid I can-not tell from the photos if they are named varieties or not, if you could send flowers in a small box (not an envelope as they get crushed) I will try and see if I can put a name to them.*

*Your winter problems, other than keeping them all in the house as Mary Tyrie does in Ireland, the only suggestion I have is to cover them up in the greenhouse with 2 or 3 layers of fleece when frost is forecast.*

*Footnote. Brenda did send the flowers in a box but none of them could be named but all of them looked worth growing.*

**Dear Mr. Causer,**

Thought you might like the enclosed photo of the Stand at the Autumn Malvern Show.

The display was fantastic as usual.

Yours sincerely

**Betty Chivers**

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## *Seed List 2007*

### **STREPTOCARPUS SEED HYBRID LIST 2007.**

Sophie x Athena  
Fine Wine.  
Bethan.  
Beryl (s.a.)  
Australian Hybrids No 2  
Concorde.  
Blue Ice.  
C.S.W. x Winter Dream (u.s.a)  
Bristol's Popsicle (s.a.)  
Ruby River.  
Elegance.  
Crystal Beauty  
Garnet.  
Mary.  
Charlotte  
Izzy.  
Maiden's Blush.  
Pixie  
Fricker Frack (s.a.)  
Athena x Lynn's Ruby  
Georgetie  
Hannah Ellis.  
Texas Seed  
Jennifer  
Susan x self.  
Laura. {s.a.}  
Heide x Lynetie  
Judith.  
Lynn's Ruby Red  
Melanie.  
Midnight Flame.  
Sue's Min's  
Moonlight.  
Nerys.  
Patricia.  
Tartan Blue.  
Party Doll.  
Gower Daybreak  
Sheila Emily.  
Nicola  
Sandra x Festival of Wales  
Brimstone.  
Terracotia.  
Tanga  
Vanessa.  
Maassens White.

Karen  
Phaser Blaster  
Lemon Ice  
Susie  
Gower Summertime  
Pink Panther  
Dainty Sprite (small flowered)  
Stella  
Orchid Lace  
'Royal' Red Strain  
Plumb Crazy  
Blue Beryl  
Carys  
Misty Pink  
Red Seedling SG6  
Kaye.  
Texas Heatwave  
Something Special X Cynthia.  
Amanda  
Athena x Marie  
Beverley Ruth.  
Blue Skies.  
Bluebird  
Bristol's Hobgoblin (s.a.)  
Bristol's Peti coat. (s a )  
Cynthia  
Isabella.  
Ella Mae.  
Ella.  
Mini Mxd.  
Emily  
Falling Stars.  
Franken Charlotte  
Gillian.  
Gloria.  
Heide x Daphne  
Heidi.  
Ice Castle.  
Ice Iced Baby  
Ida. {s.a.}  
Jane Elizabeth.  
Joanne  
Joshi  
Kens Yellow Centre Mxd.  
Laura x Nicola  
Magpie.  
Marie



## *Seed List 2007*

Megan.  
 Midnight.  
 Mixed Seed.  
 Modbury Lady.  
 Passion Pink.  
 Paula.  
 Purple Haze.  
 Raspberry Dream.  
 Ruby Anniversary.  
 Ruffles.  
 Sandra  
 Something Special x Lynn's Ruby Red  
 Spectacular Velvet Midnight  
 Stacey.  
 Texas Sunrise.  
 Inky Fingers  
 White Wings.  
 Kim  
 Kissie  
 Paper Moon  
 Mulberry Lady  
 Pink Sprite (small flowered)  
 Phoebe (u.s.a.)  
 Blue Sprite (small flowered)  
 Bristols Tye Dyed  
 Something Special  
 'Royal' White Strain  
 Ruby  
 Carolyn Ann  
 Purple Ripples  
 Misty Blue  
 Pink N'Stripey  
 Lynetie.  
 Something Special

### **STREPTOCARPUS SPECIES SEED LIST**

Cyaneus. [s.a.]  
 Prolixis  
 Caeruleus. {v.s.a.}  
 Cyanandrus. Small pale purple veined  
 Cooperi.  
 Daviesii. Violet bell shaped flower.  
 Dracomontanus.  
 Trabeculatus

Formosus. {s.a.}  
 Gardenii Rosetie, flowers whitish with an unusual green in the tube.  
 Grandis. Single leaf, white to pale violet.  
 Glandylossimus.  
 Mixed Species.  
 Meyeri Lt. Flowered. {s.a.}  
 Polyanthus x Dracomontanus.  
 Pentherianus. Rosetie, one to three leaves, flowers white/violet, pale yellow in the throat  
 Pusillus (v.s.a.) Monocarpic. White. Flowers.  
 Rexii Grassland form. Mauve, purple stripes.  
 Thompsonii.  
 Vandeleurii {v.s.a.} Large leaf, scented white.  
 Rexii  
 Cyanus  
 Baudertii.  
 Caulescens. {s.a.}  
 Haygarthii.  
 Cyaneus. Rosetie Blue form long flowers.  
 Confusus x Polyanthus x Verlandus.  
 Dunnii. Large single leaf, tubular red flowers.  
 Eylesii.  
 Fasciatus. Rosetie whitish with violet lines. {s.a.}  
 Galpinii.  
 Goetzeii. Single leaf or two, flower violet-ish narrow tube one for the enthusiast.  
 Fanniniae.  
 Kirkii.  
 Meyeri Dk flowered {s.a.}  
 Primufolius.  
 Polyanthus.  
 Porphyrostachys. Single leaf these are beetroot purple on the side, flowers  
 Rexii x Gar-Rosetie.  
 Roseo-Albus Rosetie, pink flowers  
 Variabilis.  
 Wilmsii.  
 Unnamed  
 carpic



*You could grow plants like these with your free seed!*

under-violet.  
 denii  
 {v.s.a.}  
 rose  
 {s.a.}

## SHOWS THE SOCIETY HOPES TO ATTEND 2007.

**MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> to 13<sup>TH</sup>.**  
**MALVERN SPRING SHOW.**  
**THE SHOWGROUND.**  
**MALVERN. WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup> to 17<sup>TH</sup>.**  
 BBC GARDENERS WORLD LIVE AT THE NEC BIRMINGHAM.

**JULY 18<sup>TH</sup> TO 22<sup>ND</sup>**  
 RHS FLOWER SHOW.  
 TATTON PARK. CHESHIRE.

**JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>.**  
**SOCIETY'S OWN SHOW.**  
 MEMO HALL. LICHFIELD ROAD.  
 BROWNHILLS STAFFS. Open 7.30am Close 3.30pm.

**AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup>.**  
 BAKEWELL SHOW (DERBYSHIRE)  
 This is not yet arranged but hopefully will replace Jim Ellis.

**SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup>.**  
 KINGS HEATH GARDENERS WEEKEND.  
 KINGS HEATH PARK.  
 BIRMINGHAM.

**AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. & 2<sup>ND</sup>.**  
 NATIONAL AMATEUR GARDENING SHOW.  
 BATH & WEST SHOWGROUND.  
 SHEPTON MALLETT. SOMERSET.

**SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> TO 16<sup>TH</sup>.**  
 HARROGATE FLOWER SHOW.  
 THE SHOWGROUND HARROGATE.

**SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> & 23<sup>RD</sup>.**  
 MALVERN AUTUMN SHOW.  
 THE SHOW GROUND.  
 MALVERN. WORCESTERSHIRE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP ON THE STAND AT ANY OF THE ABOVE SHOWS PLEASE LET ME KNOW, ESPECIALLY SPRING, NEC AND  
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