

## IPSWICH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. GARDEN CLUB (founded 1866)

# Welcome to the October 2024 Edition of our Newsletter.

| Elected AGM                     | 09 March 2024  |
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| Librarian:                      | Anita Dwyer  |
| Raffle Convenor:                | Patrick Smith/Colin Power  |
| Afternoon Tea Convenor:         | Veronika King/Tina Holland   |

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



| 26 October 2024 | Begonias & More Belmont Shooting Centre, 1485 Old Cleveland Road, |  |
|-----------------|---|--|
|                 | Belmont – 9 am to 3 pm \$4 entry                                  |  |
|                 | Begonias Galore & Tropical Plants                                 |  |
|                 | Information talk from 10.30 a.m.                                  |  |
| 9 November 2024 | IHSI Garden Club, next meeting                                    |  |
| 4 December 2024 | IHSI Garden Club, Xmas Lunch & Awards Presentation Day – PA Hotel |  |
|                 | (opposite Big W Complex)  |  |



#### Spring Show Report

What a day we had – we were fortunate with the weather, and we pulled off another great Spring Show – with beautiful show benches, and a hall filled with fragrance – and beauty. The stage looked fantastic – thanks to Charmain, Kym and Sandra – the Photo Boards were wonderful and the support for our photo competition was positive, and I think the committee will want to do this again. Congratulations to the winners – Patrick and Cheryl of the photo comp. Thanks Sandra (H) for putting this together for us and organising our Judge. Our plant stall and raffle did well again, below is the report, courtesy of Treasurer, Pat.

| Income                        |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Raffle:                       | 704.80    |
| Plant Sales (Cash)            | 906.60    |
| Plant Sales (eft)             | 108.39    |
| total                         | \$1719.79 |
| Expenditure                   |           |
| Stall Fee                     | 25.00     |
| Gift – Photography Judge      | 37.90     |
| Payment to Judges             | 140.00    |
| Prizes for Champions          | 200.00    |
| Plant Sales 1\$ess Commission | 357.85    |
| Points Prizes                 | 106.20    |
|                               | \$866.95  |
| Overall Profit                | \$852.84  |

#### **Spring Show Report**

*Thank you, thank you, thank you* to everyone who helped – whether it be to buy/sell raffle tickets, donate to the plant stall, help clean up afterwards, great teamwork from our Club AGAIN. Thanks to Helen Murray as always, our Stewards, Judges, Sandra Harvey – Our newer members who supported our market day with donations as did our regular members, so thanks to everyone – we can all give ourselves a big pat on the back. Thanks to Veronika for setting up and packing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Some of our stage on the day

up the kitchen; Brian for his generous plant donations; Anita & Colin for selling Raffle Tickets -

Many hands make light work all together.

Big thank you also to our down, and again was prizes and his generous hamper, happily taken home

Councillor Madden & Helen Murray



and also to President Sandra who pulled it

patron Jim Madden, who never lets us available to present the winners with their donation for the overall winner of a by Patrick.



#### Get Well Wishes

Gell well to Dawn, who wasn't well enough to join us for the day, but still benched exhibits - and Tina, who woke up needing the chiropractor – but still had her husband deliver donations to the plant stall. Thanks Tina. Michelle Brewer also wasn't feeling well enough to join us, but we hope to see Michelle back at future meetings, and anyone else we missed seeing on the day due to being unwell.

Our Zone co-ordinators, Jeanette and Erwin attended our Spring Show to meet us, and donated a gift to our Club to raffle – which we will keep for our next meeting, which was very kind of them, and they also said they enjoyed our show, and Jeanette couldn't leave without buying some sweet peas to take home.

Judges' Comments on our Spring Show Benches – Brian and Mary Burnell and Lee Thorneycroft:

The judges were very impressed with the quality of the exhibits. They had not been to our club as judges for 4 years, the last time being when it was held at the Brassall Shopping centre; the same three Judges. They were so impressed with the flowers, variety and quality. The variety of the pot plants they thought was amazing. They had a tough time deciding on best exhibit and in end, it was **Patrick's red gerbera**.

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Thanks for us.



**photographic judge, Wayne**, said our exhibits great first effort for our photos. He said it was all the focus of the subject, and Patrick's was a great with Cheryl's frog a close second. Wayne said he willing to be a guest speaker at our Club and give tips on photography.

to Wayne for judging and his kind offer to do a talk

Horticultural Judge for November will be: David Stephenson.

#### Floral Art for November will be:

Christmas by Candlelight

| Vase of Flowers         |
|-------------------------|
| Spray for a Gift Parcel |
| Silent Night            |

Lucky Door: Helen Murray

#### Pohlman's Day (18 October)

Members and visitors from our Club travelled to Pohlmans at Adare and enjoyed a train trip around the expansive operation, as well as some retail shopping of our own. The train (Gumnut Express) was almost full and well supported by members so we will be organising some more trips into the future for members. Pohlmans gave our Club a lovely donation of plants as a thank you which was lovely of them, and no doubt they will be raffle and/or lucky door prizes at the upcoming meeting. Pohlmans is a huge operation and employs 170 people which includes backpackers in busy seasons. We then travelled down the Road to Adare Nursery and a few more purchases were made. A few of us then met up for coffee and a snack at coffee club (Plainlands) before returning home. Some photos of we cheery lot below.

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting this year is on <u>9 November</u> - our last formal meeting of the year – and our guest speaker is – The Frog Man. We encourage everyone to come along as this is a very interesting talk according to members who have heard the Frog Man speak before - This is a paid speaker by our Club – so please come along, make sure you don't miss out, for our last formal meeting of the year.

# To those celebrating a birthday in October and November many happy returns. Your native birth flower is



October – If you were born in October, your native birth month flower is callistemon.

November - Leptospermum<sup>2</sup>

#### Note: If Patrick doesn't have your trophy back - It's needed back asap please.

#### Trade Table

Please feel free to bring things along you may wish to sell, may wish to donate for a donation to the Club, or cuttings you simply would like to share/give away.

The year has gone so quickly, and before we know it will be ... dare I say it .... Christmas again.

Upcoming QCGC – Xmas Lunch 27 November - \$40.00 – 10.30 for 11 a.m.

Mt Coot-tha Auditorium. RSVP is 15 November. Come along and enjoy the festivities – they promise some mystery Christmas Fun Activities – All members welcome to attend. We will ask for interest at our next meeting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> I've learned that this depends on what site google brings up!

IHSI Garden Club Xmas Party – PA Hotel – as yet no Xmas menu provided.

The committee has decided to support the PA Hotel this year, as the Manager there, Peter, is so obliging always towards our fund raising with Gift Vouchers. We have looked at the venue and the area will fit, we think 30 comfortably. More information as we have it.

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Venue: Char'd Dining
Service: Lunch
Time: 11:30 AM

Some photos from our Spring Show.











Below: Some of our lovely members at Pohlmans.





The Gumnut Express!!

