Crowhurst & District Horticultural Society

Annual General Meeting – 6th October 2011 at Crowhurst Village Hall – 7.30pm

**Minutes**

1. **Members present**

Mary Boorman, Ken Waller, Alan Humphrey, Chris Hamson, Oliver Boorman-Humphrey, Brian Croft, Bruce Cripps, Malcolm Moss, Frances Hamson, June Kemp, Tim Knaggs, Lynne Basham

1. **Apologies for absence**

Gerald Groome

1. **Minutes of the last AGM**

Read - No matters arising. Proposed as correct by Brian, 2nd by Tim.

1. **Address by the President & Show Manager’s Report** *Given by Ken*
2. **Chairman’s Report** *Given by Mary*
3. **Treasurer’s Report**

Accounts as of end August 2011: £356.30 Cash

 £173.92 Bank Account

 £1241.56 Building Society

 £1771.78 Total

Society has a **profit** of £302.53 in year 2010/11

1. **Election of Officer’s** Proposed by Seconded by
	1. **President** Ken Oliver Malcolm
	2. **Vice President** *vacant*
	3. **Chairman** Mary Chris Ken
	4. **Vice Chairman** Oliver Chris Brian
	5. **Secretary** *vacant*
	6. **Show Manager** *vacant (Resignation received from Ken)*
	7. **Show Secretary** *(New position as agreed by the floor)*

Oliver Ken Mary

* 1. **Treasurer** Alan Mary Chris
	2. **Membership Secr.** Chris Mary Frances
1. **Election of Committee** Mary, Alan, Chris, Oliver, Tim and Lynne
	1. It was proposed by Frances that committee meetings should be moved to the Plough. Passed by Tim, 2nd by Lynne.

**Tea break**

1. **Shows**
	1. Oliver presented the floor with 4 options for changing the current entry/prize money for shows as the current system is unaffordable. After some discussion, it was agreed to stick with the *status quo* but make the entry/prize money uniformed over the year at spring show rates – in effect a slight increase in entry money and a reduction in prize money.
	2. It was agreed that the Brownies, Scout & Playgroup classes will all be charged at 10p per entry and will receive prize money at 40p – 30p – 20p.
	3. The floor discussed the option to scrap the additional prize money for the Crowhurst Top Tray in the Summer and the Crowhurst Top Vase in the Autumn, as this was unnecessary and unaffordable. Passed by Chris, 2nd by Mary.
	4. It was agreed that an extraordinary meeting would be held towards the end of the year to discuss scaling down/updating the classes at the shows. Malcolm and Frances expressed their interested in attending.
	5. Bruce thanked Oliver for his continued work on the schedules, which the floor agreed were easier to read.
2. **Events**
3. 40th Anniversary Celebration Evening. The floor agreed that this should be organised for the provisional date of 23/6/2012.
4. Tim proposed having evening social events with speakers. The possibility of which will be looked into by the committee.
5. Coach Trips. The floor agreed that we will look into the possibility of coach trips in the future.
6. **Publicity**

Mary, Alan and Oliver to continue to put up posters for shows etc. Also to produce adverts for Crowhurst News, Friday Ad, Observer etc. Mary thanked the Observer for their support over the past year.

1. **Subscriptions**

Chris proposed raising subs from £3 to £4. Passed by Frances, 2nd by Tim.

1. **Catering** Mary, Oliver and Lynne
2. **Any other business**

Mary proposed that June Kemp should be made a Life Member of the society for her support over the past 40 years. Passed by Oliver, 2nd by Bruce. Mary thanked both June and Ken for their support over the years and said that she and the committee would value their input to the society in future. Ken will now be available on a more consultancy role and remain our President which is valued - especially as we celebrate our 40th year next year.

**Meeting closed at 21:30pm**