

CAERWENT SHOW 2002

REPORT and RESULTS

by Hilary

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Flower & Vegetable Show this year - both those who helped to organise it and especially to those who entered exhibits. Many local people still enjoy this Show and it provides a focal point for the whole of the day.

Congratulations to those who won cups and trophies.
(Especially for the leeks... I've heard all about the leeks!)

Entries were down slightly on last year - so we need to encourage more local people to enter. We look forward to seeing more of you competing next year.

While I'm thanking people, I would also like to single out Ray Hannan in particular, for so ably organising the bulk of the Show day. Also all those people that helped out by manning a stall or organising things both beforehand and on the day, especially Melissa, Laura and Catherine for their hard work in collecting tins and bottles.

We are grateful to Dai Bennett for providing bales of straw and Denbe Display Ltd for the loan of tables.

Sincere thanks to our Show sponsors Barrier Services Ltd and Messrs. Asda Supermarkets.

Special thanks too to those who made contributions to the stalls, including Gemini, Crown Hill and Chepstow Nurseries and Oliver's Garden Centre at Langstone.

We also value the contributions from those who donated raffle prizes, including Foxrun, the St Pierre and Celtic Manor Golf Clubs, the Northgate Inn, the Coach & Horses Inn and Chepstow Veterinary Centre.

There were several others - please don't be offended if I haven't named everyone, but all the prizes were greatly appreciated. And let's not forget all those of you who bought raffle tickets!

<u>SHOW RESULTS</u>		
<i>Section</i>	<i>Award</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Vegetables	The Frank Harris Challenge Cup	Terry Stone
Top "Garden News" Tray	First Place Cup 2nd 3rd	Terry Stone Steve Richards Jack Rogers
Selection of	The Northgate Cup	Lionel Bartram

Vegetables		
Flowers	The Playing Fields Association Silver Salver	C. Smallcombe
Flowers - single stem	The Coach and Horses Cup	Terry Stone
Cookery	The Gill Horton Tankard	Shirley Nettleship
Fruit	The Skipsey Cup	Shirley Nettleship
Preserves	The Hilda Payton Cup	Michelle Williams
Wine	The Skipsey Cup	Mrs. Bartram
Children up to seven years	Trophy	Megan Whistance
Children eight to fourteen years	Trophy	Georgina Stone
Open Arts and Crafts	Cut Glass Bowl	Karen Hedley
Overall	The Highest Points Shield	Lionel Bartram

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After weeks of beautiful weather, what do we get on the day of the show? That's right - RAIN!
Having said that, the afternoon DID brighten up a bit, but it stayed very windy.

Liz did her best to sell copies of our book of village memories - the wet windswept hair and sunglasses says it all really!



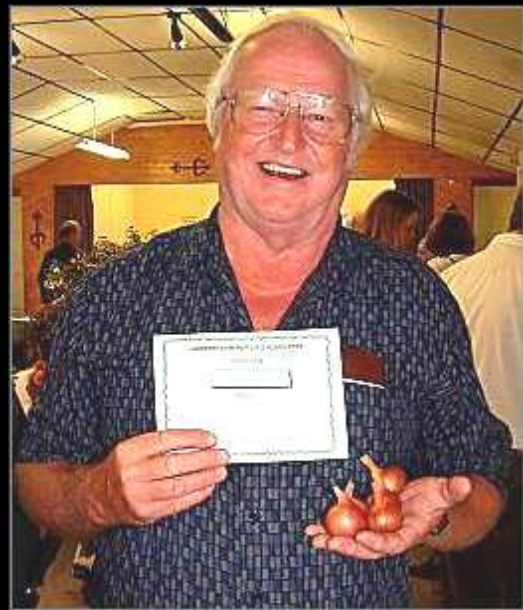
When it came to music, the wind and the showers couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of Caerwent's very own Gospel Rock band '**THE ALMIGHTY SOUND**'.

Mandy and Mike Scott live in the village and are joined by Gerry and Kay for their shows.

Want to know more? Call Mike on 01291-425613.



Meanwhile, inside the hall it was proved that Caerwent Community people really know their onions! (and their leeks, and their cakes and just about anything else you can think of...)



Lionel's legendary leeks got him a first prize- but only a third for your shallots, Fred?

Below, Lionel's expertise didn't stop at horticulture... Here John checks out the excellence of Lionel's prize winning home made wines.



Jack checks out the superb examples of home baking...



Some examples of the flowers of Caerwent... The one in the middle's called Dennis!



And Alan caught the whole thing on video!

SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR!