



The Plot Thickens...

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Special autumn Show newfl ash edition

Don't forget if you have any articles to contribute for the next Newsletter, please leave them in the shop. Hopefully this will be produced sometime

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Introduction to issue 7

This is only a short Newsletter will be and Harvest Supper included plus all the usual top tips and recipe etc.

Allotment News

The Association's stand at the Southsea Show was a great success again this year with a Gold Medal and £30 prize money being received for the display in the Floral Marquee. The produce given by the allotment holders was the best yet and Gina and Sheila and Alan made a great display. It was a great opportunity to promote allotments in general and also good publicity for the Autumn Show as flyers were given out and many people showed an interest in coming to the Show. Over 300 cookery books were sold at £1 each and the 8th copy out this year was a great success. All 8 copies can be obtained from the shop and if you buy all 8 you can have them at a bargain price of £6. There are some very useful recipes for using up all that lovely produce. A very big thank you to all the plot holders for the excellent produce and to everyone who helped make it such a success.

The Autumn Show will soon be here and

everyone who won cups and trophies last year should return them to the shop as soon as possible.

The Show is scheduled for Sunday September 4th at 1.30 pm and costs 50p entrance for adults and is free for children. It is a lovely afternoon out and home made cakes and pickles can be bought. There will also be bric a brac, tools and produce on sale and a raffle and tombola.

The entry forms for the Show Tent are now in the shop and it would be nice to see some newcomers to the allotments entering. It is a lot of luck on the day whether your veg is up to scratch and you ladies can enter the cake making and jam and pickle categories also. You never know if your potatoes or onions are prize winning unless you enter! It is free to all members of Eastney and Milton Allotment Holders Association so why not have a go! We would be grateful if all entry forms could be

returned to the shop no later than Tuesday 30th August at 11.30 when the shop shuts as all entries have to be processed and you can appreciate this is not an easy job. So good luck everyone, lets see who wins the cup for the "Best Bucket of Compost" this year!! It's so exciting!!

A working party is needed for Saturday 3rd at 9.00 am to help put up the tents, in return for which you get a free lunch, cups of tea and muffins, so please help if you can, the more the merrier!

Also if anyone has any good bric a brac, plants and flowers, and spare produce to donate or any spare chutney and jam, please bring to the shop and if anyone can make a cake for the cake stall it would be very much appreciated. The Show costs money to put on so any donations help!

Hope to see you all there - we hope to have face painting and a bouncy castle for the children!