

Christmas Dinner – 27 November 2015

Our Christmas Dinner will be at Felixstowe Ferry Golf Club on Friday 27th November. The cost will be £24 per head.

Starters

Roasted Butternut Squash Soup
Breaded Camembert with Sweet Chilli Jam
Duck a l'orange Pate with Toasted Ciabatta
Prawn and Crayfish Cocktail

Mains

Traditional Roast Turkey
(Pigs in blankets, stuffing, Red Cabbage, Roasted Root Vegetables, Roast Potatoes)
Slow Braised Feather Blade Steak in a Shallot and Red Wine Gravy
(Yorkshire Pudding, Red Cabbage, Roasted Root vegetables, Roast Potatoes)
Salmon en Crouete with a Basil and Cognac Sauce
(Wholegrain Mustard and Garlic Potatoes, Roasted Vegetables, Pea Puree')
Mushroom Wellington (V)
(Red Cabbage, Roasted Root Vegetables, Roast Potatoes)

Dessert

Matured Christmas Pudding
(Brandy Custard)
Lemon Possett
(Homemade Shortbread)
Chocolate Brownie served hot
(Chocolate Sauce, Ice Cream)
Cheese Board
(Crackers, Grapes, Chutney)

Coffee or Tea with Mints

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Felixstowe and District Horticultural Society

Next Meeting – 13 October 2015



**Blacksmiths Cottage
Nursery
with Ben Potterton
+ Autumn Mini Show**

Newsletter – October 2015

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Chairman's Message

We had a good evening with Trimley Herbs at our last meeting. An interesting and very informative talk about herbs of all types and flavours. Many new to us and all growing locally, in an orangery near Falkenham! It is always good to hear more about enterprises within our immediate locality. We are currently planning our speaker programme for next year, so if you know of any similar speakers who you think would be of interest to our members, don't hesitate to let us know.

At our October meeting we the return of the ever popular Ben Potterton who is always lively. We also have our Autumn Mini Show, so please check out the schedule to see what classes you can enter – first chance for our new members to “have a go”. As you are starting your Autumn tidy up around the garden or allotment check out what you may have that you could enter – or practise a few of your cookery skills on one of those rainy days.

See you soon.

Ray Martin

Top 10 things to do in the Garden

1. Divide herbaceous perennials
2. Pick autumn raspberries
3. Collect and sow seed from perennials and hardy annuals
4. Dig up remaining potatoes before slug damage spoils them
5. Net ponds before leaf fall gets underway
6. Keep up with watering of new plants, using rain or grey water if possible
7. Start to reduce the frequency of houseplant watering
8. Clean out cold frames and greenhouses so that they are ready for use in the autumn
9. Cover leafy vegetable crops with bird-proof netting
10. Plant spring flowering bulbs

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Autumn Mini Show Schedule 13th October 2015

Classes

1. 1 Squash
2. 3 Tomatoes
3. 3 Apples
4. Vase of dahlias, no more than 7 stems
5. 3 stems Michaelmas Daisies
6. Last Rose of summer
7. 4 Cheese Scones
8. 1 Victoria Sandwich
9. 5 Flapjacks (recipe in 2015 Show schedule)
10. Photo of Felixstowe Promenade mounted (not framed). Not to exceed 200mm x 250mm overall
11. A Knitted Article
12. Autumn Flower Arrangement, (max size 250mm x 250mm)

Entry rules:-

All entries taken on the night – No entry fees

Only one entry in each class

Enter as many classes as you can

Points: 1st = 3 points, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 1 point

Winner of most points will be presented with the Autumn Cup.

Date for your Diary – 15-17 April 2016

Following on from our very successful trip to the Malvern Spring Show this year Caroll is planning a two night/three day coach trip to visit the RHS Spring Show at Cardiff from 15-17 April 2016. More details will be announced at our October Meeting, but you can check out more about the show at the following website <https://www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events/rhs-flower-show-cardiff>.

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