



The Brightwater Horticultural Society Inc

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Presidents' Report Year Ending 30th June 2017

It is my pleasure to present this report for the year ending 30th June 2017.

The Spring show once again filled the Brightwater Hall with a magnificent display of flowers. The open and amateur Daffodil sections had a great display. The McQuarrie's won the Champion Bloom with an excellent seedling MCQ J56 2WY along with 6 other premiers. Stewart Findlay from Blenheim took out the Premier in the amateur section. It was good to see competition from Blenheim growers, with Welly and Jude travelling over for the weekend and picking up a couple of Premiers. Our visitors from Scotland Don and Hazel Elder judged the open, Mike Smith the amateurs. The cut flowers make the show along with the container-grown plants and handcraft. We are lucky to have the Waimea Floral group. The Brightwater School children entered 57 pots of Daffodils, thanks to the McQuarrie's generosity.

The Summer show once again filled the hall with colour. The Gladioli open section had a lot more entries thanks to Alister Raey. Alister won the Champion Spike. Mark Papps the Champion Dahlia, amateur Dahlia Denise McQuarrie, Marie Dalley Roses, display class Carol Hughes. Cut flowers Bev Hodgkinson, Pauline Quayle container plants, Fruit and veg Kelvin and Helen Banks also best entry in that section with three lovely tomatoes. For further results go to www.brightwaterhortsociety.co.nz. The Floral Art group did us proud with their display. The School children's colouring in art was well down on the previous year with only 50 entries, seem to be no support from the parents. Good competition in the container plants, just one point separating 1st and 2nd. Janet Clelland had 2 entries in the Garden Club competition.

It has been a pleasure to work with Christine and Rachel you both have taken your responsibility to a high standard. The committee members who run the show do an outstanding job, it is a credit to you all. Both the Brightwater Spring and Summer Shows are always of high standard. At the Summer show Fiona took over Shirley's table, Fiona did an excellent job, along with Megan and Lorna's plant table. Megan is a great help at our shows, thank you Megan.

Looking forward to our Spring show which will be combined with the National Daffodil Society and be held at the Hope Recreation Hall on the 23-24 September, this should be a great event. The National Daffodil folk come from far and wide and this show is a good draw card for the people of the district. So we will need plenty of cakes and plants etc. to sell to the public.

In conclusion owing to failing eyesight and generally getting old I wish to stand down as President. However I will assist as usual in the setting up and taking down of the shows. Thank you one and all, the Brightwater shows are a credit to you all.

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