



2024 Daffodil, Camellia and Spring Flower Show: A Blooming Success

Our Daffodil, Camellia and Spring Flower show held over the weekend of September, 7th & 8th will go down as one of the most success in recent years, with 75 exhibitors and over 600 patrons visiting the two-day event.

The new director of the Tasmanian Royal Botanical Gardens, Mr. Yann Gaynon, officially opened the show and presented the major awards to the respective winners while very impressed with the quality and standard of the exhibits.

Considering the weather Mother Nature had dealt us in the weeks leading up to the show, the quality of the exhibits was equal to any previous shows, with the Camellia Society once more providing a lovely display of blooms, while the Daffodil growers again rose to the occasion with a comprehensive display from Miniatures, Vases of Seven, an array of individual blooms, through to delightful bunches adding to the kaleidoscope of colour. The garden clubs from Claremont, Glenorchy, Hobart, and Derwent Valley were again prominent as was first time exhibitor, Brighton and Surrounds. In addition to this, Pot Plants, Australian Natives, Orchids and the like also contributed to the over-flowing display.

Peron Barwick again produced his usual high quality of unusual plants, and again a talking point of the show.

Our raffle was another bonus for the patrons with Hals, (Horticultural and Landscape Supplies) and Tibball's Nursery providing the garden-themed prizes and those fortunate enough to be a recipient went home very happy gardeners!

Another generous donor to the show was Boutique Treats by Angie, with her two Lucky Door Prizes of cupcakes in the design of flowers which all patrons received a free entry on arrival.

The stage, decorated by Anne Burleigh provided a perfect backdrop for the stage and our Floral Art exhibition which again created strong interest from patrons who were asked to vote for their choice in the Most Popular Award.

A new addition to the show this year was the introduction of a television showing the artistic ability of our show photographer Mr. Terry Sims who produced a montage of his photos from shows commencing in 2019, and creating a lot of interest and discussion from many of the patrons and exhibitors.

The pleasing outcome from the future of the show was the number of first-time exhibitors which will hopefully continue to row in the coming years.

The show also involved a Plant Fair, involving resellers who produce rare plants not available through nurseries and this provided additional interest and complimented the plants stalls run by Claremont and Glenorchy Garden Clubs.

The group would also like to acknowledge the generous donations from: Rob Harris of Berriedale Service Centre, Joe of Granton Plants, Patrick Moane, from Moane's Real Estate, Stoneman's and New Town Station Street nurseries, Tracks Restaurant from New Town nursery. Glenbrook Bulb Farm, Anne Barwick, Peron Barwick, JPN Builders & Derwent Valley Garden Club.

Local politicians, Andrew Wilkie, Craig Farrell and Kristie Johnston again offered generous support as did Glenorchy mayor, Sue Hickey.

We would also like to thank the outstanding efforts of all of our volunteers, the judges & stewards, the Edge Church afternoon tea team & all of the committee.

A full list of all winners can be found on our Claremont Flower Show Group Face Book site or on the web www.claremontflowershowgroup.org