

## The Maplesteads Autumn Show

A very successful Autumn Show, sponsored by Haylock Investment and Management Services, took place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September, after a year's absence due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

It was lovely to see some new faces from both villages who commented on an enjoyable show and promised that they would enter again next year.

The hall was ablaze with colourful flower arrangements, fruit and vegetables, photographs and amazing handicrafts.

The Domestic Cup was well supported with a stunning array of scrumptious chocolate cakes as well as scones, jams, eggs and pickles.



The highly fought over Men's Challenge Cup was up to its usual high standard with some delicious shortbread.

The children's entries were much appreciated and created a lot of compliments for their amazing hard work and guidance.

The new Sunflower Competition drew a lot of interest and there were some wonderful photographs of the giant sunflowers – thanks to Jo Green for organising this.

District Councillor Jo Beavis presented the trophies to the prize winners and complimented the committee on a successful show and the high standard of the exhibits.

The show concluded with an auction of donated produce officiated by the irrepressible Keith Brownlie, followed by a raffle.

The committee would like to thank everyone who supported this year's Autumn Show and trust that we see you all again next year.

The prize winners were:

- Flower Cup – Jean Bowers
- Flower Arrangers Cup – Philippa Mills
- Novice Flower Arrangers Cup – Loraine Mechanio
- Domestic Cup – Liz Newton
- Vegetable Cup – Jean Bowers
- Dolly Argent Craft Cup – Alison Davies
- Children up to 8 years – Harper Howard and Dorothy Self
- Children over 8 years – Arabella Self
- Young Growers Cup – Patrick Self
- Men's Challenge Tankard – Brian Young
- Autumn Show Trophy for most Points – Jean Bowers
- Tallest Sunflower Competition – Charlie and Freddie Marshall

