

## **Ilstington Parish Flower Show**

Yes! We changed our name! The Committee felt that this new title better reflects what and who we are and acknowledges the fact that the event has something for everyone. As we go through spring and early summer, keep an eye on the Summer Show articles in the Parish Magazine every month and you will get a flavour of what the day has to offer. Don't worry, there will still be all of the favourite classes for horticulture, baking, arts and crafts for both adults and children, but the new name encapsulates the incredible diversity of activities, fun and entertainment on offer.

By the way, be sure to put the date in your diary now – Saturday 20th July – 50 years to the day after man first landed on the moon! Yes, and it's also 50 years since Woodstock, “3 Days of Peace and Music!” – now, that does age me!

In this issue, the committee would like to pay tribute to all of the wonderful band of helpers, too many to mention all, but without your help setting up, running the show and then breaking down afterwards, the Show just could not go on. Thank you! Please spread the word amongst your friends and neighbours and get them to join in as well this year, I will be giving further details of how you can help in later magazines and on website and Facebook pages.

So, hopefully you are starting to get busy in the garden, ready for another season or maybe you are “just checking” that new special “brew” that is sitting looking at you on the shelf or just going through the photos of the snow to see if you have an early idea of this year's entries. I will tell you more about some of the classes and topics next month, but write that date down now before you forget! Saturday 20th July, 2019 – once again at the Owen, Smith & Westaway Playing Fields at Lewthorne Cross.

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