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THANK YOU and WELL DONE

What an amazing bunch of stalwarts you all are. Why? Here's why. Picture the scene...all the hard work is done, lunch is on the grill, tea is brewing, friends are gathering, the musicians are warming up and us and ours are very much looking forward to a grand afternoon. Then two things happen...it pours down heaven's hardest and...you all stay put! So, yes of course it was a great shame but we did still have fun, didn't we? And inspite of the meteorological challenge we managed to raise over £300 for our charities. That just shows what a generous and hardy bunch you are...thank you. Thank you too to all those who took up the gauntlet laid down in the last newsletter and exhibited the fruits of their labour. To fill a 40ft marquee was no mean feat and just between us, for a 'local' the judges were quite impressed by the standards. Well done everybody but especially the class winners who get another moment of glory now:

Vegetable and Fruit section

1st P. Moss, 2nd S.Moore, 3rd S.Daykin

Flower section

1st S. Daykin, 2nd P. Moss, 3rd G. John

Novice section

1st C .Tully, 2nd M. Holland, 3rd S. Stone

Domestic section

1st R. Saville, 2nd A. Sutherland, 3rd C.
Dandridge

Congratulations to you all, but let's not forget that the show was brought to you by a band of willing and merry volunteers whom we thank most kindly. We couldn't have done it without you.



Steve tries out the new sport of Pumpkin Wrestling

PLOT COMPETITION

Talking of winners, it is with great pleasure that we announce the results of the WLCS plot competition as follows:

5 Rod

1st C. Dugmore, 2nd B. Lucero, 3rd D. Solomon

10 Rod

1st S. Lucero, 2nd M.Burton & Gina,
shared 3rd P. Moss D. Harvey J & R. Dawson

Fabulously well done and we will be presenting you with your awards at this year's AGM. We know that a huge amount of work and effort goes into these competition plots, and they played no small part in us once again winning the now much coveted Ron Wilmott award for the best site in the whole Borough. A big round of applause and rightly so, for not wishing to get overly emotional, we do have something special down here on our little homestead.

BIG MOAN

Having just gushed so, it is maddening to have to follow by telling you that there are a few rotten scoundrels amongst us who persist in using our lovely site as a rubbish dump. You know who you are and, if we find out who you are you will be off your plot quicker than you can say "I should have composted that." Shame on you.

Little Moan

Whilst we all like the idea of nothing going to waste and embrace the principle of 'one man's rubbish is another man's gold', it would appear that some of you are using the unofficial 'recycle' bench by the canteen as yet another area for dumping any old rubbish. If you don't want that bag of fork-speared spuds or the exhausted microwave nobody will, so please just dispose of them yourselves.

AGM

Notice is hereby given that this year's AGM will be held on Sunday 21st November at 10.30 am. Our current Treasurer and Site Manager have indicated that they will not be standing for re-election and on behalf of you all we thank them hugely for their years of hard work and unfailing big hearted enthusiasm. We are, therefore looking for nominations/volunteers for these posts and also for more committee members.

BONFIRE BURNING

6th and 7th November

STRICTLY AFTER 3.30pm

Now then boys and girls, we all know that the "oohs" and "aahs" of Bonfire night bring out the kid in all of us, but this burning concession is only allowed to let us clear up old bits and pieces that can't be composted...not to incinerate piles of rubbish brought on to the site just for the sake of it. Given that last year we completely



Please try and avoid an inferno like this

smudged out the surrounding houses, dual carriageway and the hospital, please this year may we have a bit more grown up restraint, some respect for our neighbours and compassion for those unfortunates in hospital. Remember, if we give cause for too many complaints we'll all get detention and this special little privilege taken away. Fires must not be left unattended and must be completely doused before you leave.

HAVE A WORD?

Please do remember that if you have anything to say; have a moan of your own; want to share a good recipe or a bit of gossip leave a note in the Trading Shed and you could be published in the next thrilling edition of DIG THIS!

TTFN and 'tickle it with a hoe and it will laugh into a harvest'