

CODS CORNER

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Dear Daffodil Friends,

It's hard to think about anything else when we see on the news media the human suffering and devastation that hurricane Katrina caused. I'm sure those effected will be in our thoughts and prayers as we put our bulbs to 'bed' this month.

I've had Bess Haddad on my mind too. Bess is undergoing chemotherapy. As she works toward a speedy recovery, she will also be in our thoughts and prayers.

Thanks to the CODS members who labored at Phyllis' home to clean bulbs. As usual, these bulbs will be for sale. If you are interested in a list of the varieties, please contact Phyllis.

Thanks also to those who have accepted offices and committees for CODS 2005-2006 year. I truly appreciate your dedication!

Our show date has been set for April 15-16, 2006. Be thinking what you would like to do about the luncheon. Many of you mentioned that the box lunches are too expensive. Drop me a line and let me know your ideas.

Planting at Whetstone Park will be on October 6-7, beginning at 4 p.m. (Rain date: October 13-14.)

Plan to attend the Midwest Fall Regional Meeting at the Wegerzyn Gardens in Dayton on October 22, 2005. The day starts at 9:30 a.m. Mary Lou Gripshover will present slides from her trips to Portugal and Spain where she viewed daffodils in the wild. As an added bonus, we will be able to view some new slide programs the ADS is developing.

wishing you perfect planting weather,

Cindy

REVIEW OF THE ENGLISH SEASON 2005

As a member of the Daffodil Society of England, I look forward to their excellent publications, especially the latest one covering the show season. Hube and I were fortunate to have tea with the new editor, Richard Smales and his wife, Anne, on our last trip to the British Isles.

I also am a member of the Southeast England Daffodil Group along with CODS members Michael and Sandra Baxter. Best bloom in their show was Len Olive's Silent Valley 1 W-GWW. It was a good year for Silent Valley winning major awards all over the country. Best reserve bloom was Cape Point 2 W-P shown by Frank Verge. He also had the best Division 3 with Red Ember 3 Y-R.

The Daffodil Society's annual show is held at Warwick where many English friends show, i. e. Anne and Richard Smales, Don Barnes, Mike Brook and others. My favorite class is the Bourne Daffodil Cup won by Clive Postles that included a 2 W-WWP seedling as best bloom. This was Clive's 21st win in this class since 1981. Ron and Maureen Scamp put up a trade exhibit with over 80 vases, covering all divisions and color codes, old favorites and recent introductions for which they won a Gold Medal.

Richard Smales entered 22 vases of mostly 3 blooms or more throughout the show...can you imagine the amount of work this took. We visited Richard's walled garden in Dodsworth and he not only has daffodils but show chickens.

Miniatures are not given as much attention as we give them here in the States. In the classes for daffodil distinguished solely by botanical name Jan Dalton won with the species *nobilis*

subsp. Nobilis var. nobilis. Second place went to *N. rapidulus* and third *N. panizzianus*.

For the Miniature Challenge Trophy (3 cultivars or species, 3 blooms of each) Ted Perren won with Segovia 3 W-Y, Golden Bells 10 Y-Y and Xit 3 W-W. The Warwick Trophy for a collection of 9 miniatures and/or species was presented to Terry Braithwaite and included April Tears 5 Y-Y, Segovia 3 W-Y, Mary Plumstead 5 Y-Y, Tweeny 2 W-Y, Clare 7 Y-Y, Sewanee 2 W-Y, Sun Disc 7 Y-Y, Xit 3 W-W and Pixie's Sister 7 Y-Y.

Jackie Petherbridge won the class for 5 miniatures originating in the USA with Fairy Chimes 5 Y-Y, Pixie's Sister 7 Y-Y, Little Rusky 7 Y-GYO, Woodstar 5 Y-YWW and Curlylocks 7 Y-Y. Best miniature bloom was *N. triandrus subsp. Triandrus* with six florets shown by Terry Braithwaite.

As to be expected, the most prominent show is the RHS Daffodil Show held in the Royal Horticultural Society's Old Hall. The Engleheart Cup is the big attraction here and Brian Duncan won this year. The best bloom was Jammin 3 W-Y from the Engleheart exhibit. The Reserve Best Bloom was CODS member Michael Baxter's New Dawn 2 Y-P; best Division 1 Silent Valley 1 W-GWW and Best miniature was Crevette 8 W-O exhibited by John Blanchard.

The Spring Show at Harrogate is one of my favorites. It's a beautiful little city and it is a horticulture show with about everything being exhibited in tents. While there we stayed in a bed and breakfast along with our friends, Lesley and Peter Ramsay. There were over 57,000 visitors over a period of four days. Best bloom in the show again was Silent Valley 1 W-GWW, best Division 2 Warwick Castle 2 Y-O, best Division 3

Evesham 3 W-GYY, best Division 4 and Reserve Best Bloom was Gay Kybo 4 W-O, best Division 5 Ice Wings 5 W-W, Lilac Charm 6 W-GPP best in Division 6, Division 9 Cantabile 9 W-GYR and the best in Division 11 was Tripartite 11a Y-Y.

In the Miniature Classes the Premier Award was presented to Ken Bacon with 3 x 3 Sundial 7 Y-Y, Pixie's Sister 7 Y-Y and Clare 7 Y-Y. The best miniature was Sun Disc 7 Y-Y and the best Division 13 went to *N. jonquilla*.

The season pretty well closes in the British Isles with the RHS Late Daffodil Competition at Wisley. Brian Duncan won the Devonshire Trophy for 12 daffodils from 3 or more divisions. The John Lea Trophy for 12 daffodils, one bloom of each, raised by the exhibitor was also presented to Brian. Brian also exhibited the best miniature *N. rupicola* that was Reserve Best Bloom. Best bloom in the late show was Triple Crown 3 Y-GYR.

I use the above information to assist me in making my "want lists" for next year. There were a number of cultivars mentioned that I did not know at all, so this is a good way to study and find out new things being introduced and by whom and to educate yourself as to what is new in the daffodil world. I hope you will do the same.

CHRISTOPHER TO GET MARRIED

On Oct. 8, 2005
at Hanbit Pres.
Church in
Yuseong,
Daejeon, South
Korea
Christopher will
wed Su Nae
Kweon.
Congratulations
and best wishes
to the happy pair.



WHETSTONE GARDEN

Summer of 2005 CODS enjoyed the assistance of Whetstone Park employees in digging beds 2, 3, 4 and 8. The weeds were cut and removed from all the beds followed by a spraying of Roundup by park employees.

When the roadwork was done through the garden the path running from East to West was widened. The beds are now 22 ½ yards. However, Bed #2 is only 21 ½ yards to the large rock. Rototilling was done of the East side of the rock, so we could place a couple of cultivars in this area. We also could plant the cultivar "Whetstone" on the side of the rock where the plaque is placed. The beds have been rototilled a little wider to prevent the grass from growing into the beds.

The Whetstone Garden Advisory Committee will get together and go through the bulbs we have saved out for the Park and determine what will go back in Beds 2, 3 and 4. We should also make sure we have labels for the cultivars that are going back into the garden.

Our members will replant Beds 2, 3 and 4 in October of this year. Bed 8 on the North side has been seeded to grass as was done last fall to Beds 11 and 12.

The plans for 2006 are to dig Beds 5, 6, 9 and 10 with the replanting of 5 and 6. When 9 and 10 are seeded our plans for vacating the North beds will be completed. The bulbs of "Whetstone" in the south end of Bed 10 will be removed and replanted in the large rock area as stated above.

When the five beds are full, followed by early spring weeding by CODS members, followed by the Park's schedule of weed control, we should be able to say "Well Done."

**RECONSTRUCTION OF
HOLLENBACK ROAD**

Planting at Whetstone Park will be on October 6 and 7 beginning at 4:00 p.m. Be advised that the City of Columbus has closed Hollenback Road, which runs from High Street past the Whetstone Library thru the Park of Roses. To get to the Daffodil Garden, it will be necessary to go to the north entrance on Henderson Road at Olentangy Boulevard. Go south on Olentangy Boulevard to the garden.

Tag Bourne, Phyllis Hess, Naomi Liggett
– Whetstone Garden Advisory
Committee

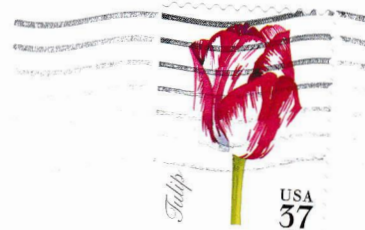
CODS DUES ARE NOW PAST DUE

Please send your check for \$5.00 single, \$6.00 family dues, made out to CODS. Send to Phyllis Hess, 3670 E. Powell Rd., Lewis Center, OH 43035-9530.

An "X" in this space _____ indicates that this is you last copy of the Newsletter because dues have not been paid.

Deadline for the Jan. Newsletter: Dec. 15, 2006.

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