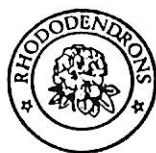


The Rhododendron, Camellia & Magnolia Group



BULLETIN No. 53 - August 1993

Forthcoming Events

August 10-11	RHS Flower Show	November 2-3	Late Autumn Show
September 14-15	Great Autumn Show	November 23-24	Ornamental Plant Competition
October 23-25	Group Autumn Week-end (See text)	All shows at Vincent Square	

Chairman's Notes

This year has certainly fulfilled its promise with a wealth of blossom and, with fair amounts of rain early on, some excellent extension growth.

The shows in London seem to have attracted more exhibitors but it would be pleasant to see some new faces, particularly those with smaller gardens - never mind if you cannot produce six species - start with one! The same applies to hybrids and, be assured, you will be offered every assistance by the Shows Staff in the Hall.

Remember too that the Group is YOUR Group and if things are not to your liking or you have any suggestions for improvements then please let any member of the Committee know. The Bulletin Editor would always like to hear from members about their successes and failures both with plants and seed, and any hints or tips are always useful.

Editor's Notes

I would be glad to assist, (through the medium of the Bulletin) any member who may be looking for a particular plant, rooted cutting or seedling. I would publish a list of "wants" in each issue of the bulletin together with the name and address of the searcher. Anyone able to offer the required plant could then contact the searcher direct. This service would compliment that provided by PLANT SEARCH published occasionally in The Garden on the Letters page.

I am always pleased to receive letters, suggestions or short articles on any topic which may be of interest, whether it be of a scientific nature or in a lighter or light-hearted vein. Letters or articles from overseas members would be particularly welcome. At the last meeting of the Executive Committee attention was drawn to the back page of the April Bulletin most of which was white paper, so please don't let me down! Members, I am sure, are always interested to read of other people's experiences - or indeed, misfortunes such as when we found our 3-month old Labrador puppy, egged on by her brother, uprooting and eagerly devouring a newly planted *Quercus cerris variegata*.

There have been several sightings of red squirrels in our part of Galloway recently. A near neighbour actually found one on her kitchen table the other day. It had come in through the open window.

I would draw particular attention to the paragraph headed ARS 1996 Convention since although it may seem a long time ahead I understand from Peter Cox that it is almost certain to be over-subscribed and as applications will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis it behoves anyone wishing to attend to apply early. ARS members will not be given any preference.

An overseas member, in response to a reminder regarding his subscription commented that the name and address of the Treasurer was not given in the Bulletin and he thought that it would be helpful if a separate remittance slip were to be enclosed with it when subscriptions were due. So we are adopting this idea for which we are grateful. He went on to say "No doubt there was a reminder somewhere in some Bulletin, but not all members of the Group read the Bulletin line by line". Why, then, I wondered did I burn the midnight oil trying to meet the deadline for the thrice-yearly publication date? So, as an incentive, I have decided to offer a prize for a rhododendron or azalea to the first reader who can spot the

deliberate mistake in this issue and in each subsequent issue of the Bulletin. Please send your entry in writing to me, Tony Weston, Whitehills, Newton Stewart, Scotland. DG8 6SL. In order to be fair to overseas members I shall go by the date of the postmark, not that of receipt by me. The solution and the name of the winner will be given in the following Bulletin.

This month's prize will be Rhod. Nancy Evans (budded).

Copy date for the next issue of the Bulletin - 1st November 1993.

Subscriptions

The subscription rates remain unchanged for 1994 and are as follows:-

UK and Overseas (surface mail)	£10.00
Overseas (airmail)	£14.00

A remittance slip is enclosed for your convenience unless you have completed a Banker's Order. Payment should be made by 1st November 1993 and members are reminded that the Year-book will not be despatched to anyone whose subscription is outstanding.

Seed Exchange

Unfortunately the list of seed available via the Seed Exchange Scheme run by Ken Hulme was not advertised in the April Bulletin. This is much regretted but if it is not too late members should apply for a seed list to Mr Ken Hulme at Treshnish, 72 Parkgate Road, Neston, South Wirral, L64 6QQ, with s.a.e.

Group Autumn Week-end 23-25 October 1993

This year the week-end will be held at Wroxton St. Mary, near Banbury, Oxfordshire. Two gardens will be visited, probably Upton Park, near Banbury and Charlecote Park near Wellesbourne, where the house will be the main attraction. I hope to arrange a lecture during the week-end, but final arrangements for this have yet to be made. Please write to me, the Tour Organiser, for details and enclose s.a.e. Mrs V Archibold, Starveacre, Dalwood, E. Devon EX13 7HH.

New Zealand Rhododendron Association Conference

The above Conference will be held at Ascot Park Hotel, Invercargill from 1st to 4th November 1993. It will be followed by a tour to Fiordland terminating at Queensland at 5pm on Saturday 6th November.

The Registration Fee is \$195. Accommodation at Ascot Park Hotel from \$70 per room, two sharing. The cost of the post conference tour is \$500.

Delegates will make their own arrangements for air travel and accommodation. Further details can be had from the Bulletin Editor.

Armillaria mellea (Honey Fungus)

I have been inundated with enquiries from members anxious to learn more about the product 'ACTIVATOR TCH' and whilst I and others are doing our best to obtain more information about it, I cannot as yet report anything which is likely to be of immediate help. The problem, according

to Sir Peter Smithers is that the small company which initiated the research and development of the product has ceased production of it, probably because, in Italy, people are more interested in eating *Armillaria mellea* than destroying it. However, we have been able to establish that the product contains the residues of the Italian wine industry which carry a parasitic fungus *Trichoderma hamatum* which is allegedly hostile to *Armillaria*, *Phytophthora* and other equally unpleasant things.

Dr Zanzi, the eminent arboriculturist who introduced Sir Peter to the product already has a small supply of it and is attempting to purchase all the available stock. However this presents problems since, as it is a living organism, it is unlikely to be viable for more than 6 months and has to be stored at a low temperature. We are trying to obtain a sample from Dr Zanzi to send to Wisely for analysis because of course we have a small wine industry in the UK and if we can produce it in this country it would save import restrictions, not to mention shipping.

I understand that there are already people in both Germany and Poland who are interested in developing the product and I have the name of a member of the Group in the Isle of Man who is also anxious to do so if it appears that it is likely to be of benefit to Arboriculture and Horticulture.

That is about the sum total of my information at present. I promised a number of members that I would report progress in this Bulletin and any further information will be promulgated in future issues.

Pests affecting Rhododendrons

Bud Blast. If you are troubled by Bud Blast now is the time, during August and September, to take what precautions you can to combat it.

The first symptoms do not appear until between October and December, when infected buds turn grey or brown. The fungus itself is not apparent until the spring when it develops on diseased buds as black, bristle-like structures, each bearing a pin-head of fungus spores from which the disease spreads. The fungus enters through lesions thought to be made by the female Rhododendron leaf-hopper (*Graphocephala coccinea*) inserting her eggs. The leaf-hoppers are present on the leaves from May onwards, are dark green with two bright red longitudinal stripes, and mature in August and September. Thorough spraying with gamma-HCH or fenitrothion should reduce the leaf-hopper populations and thereby limit infection.

The Vine Weevil (*Otiorynchus sulcatus*). An article by John Bond on control of vine weevil appeared in Bulletin No. 50 (August 1992). It may already be too late to prevent damage by this pest but if the tell-tale notching of the leaves of any of your plants is evident this means that the shiny, black wingless beetles are present and will be laying their eggs in the soil around the plants. Both adults and larvae feed on the roots, although attacks are usually localised and damage to plants growing in open ground is seldom severe. As they are nocturnal feeders and hide in the soil during the day-time you will have to get up very early in the morning to catch them! However, again a good spray or dusting of the leaves with gamma-HCH may give them a nasty tummy ache if it does nothing else!

Group Exhibit at Vincent Square

At the Main Rhododendron Competition on 20/21 April the Group staged an exhibit of Rhododendrons consisting of live material and photographs which was awarded a Silver Medal. Ivor Stokes and Peter Howarth with their helpers were responsible for the staging of the exhibit and are to be heartily congratulated on the result.

The American Rhododendron Society 1996 Convention.

A great deal of interest has already been shown in the above convention to be held at Oban on 6-11th May 1996. Peter Cox writes in the Society's Journal: "This is to be the convention of all time and we are convinced that delegates will return home saying that it was by far the best they had ever attended. Scotland is the perfect venue for all interested in rhododendrons. Splendid gardens abound, especially on the favourable western seaboard where the climate is mild and wet and the soil acid.

Many of these are in easy driving distance of Oban and will be included in the main programme. Achnacloich, Arduaine, Baravalla, Benmore, Braevallich Nursery, Crarae and Stonefield are amongst those likely to be visited....Although it is too early to present a definite schedule delegates will arrive in Oban on 6 May for registration and to view the Scottish Chapter's annual rhododendron show at Corran Hall. On Tuesday there will be alternated local garden visits and lectures. Wednesday an all day cruise on a large ferry to visit the isles of Colonsay and Mull or Gigha. This should be the highlight of the convention which we are sure all delegates will not want to miss. Some lectures and discussions will take place on board. The gardens of Kiloran, Colonsay and Achamore, Gigha are internationally famous and the islands themselves are uniquely beautiful. Mull is also full of interest. Thursday's programme will be similar to

Tuesday's with alternated garden tours and lectures. Evening entertainments will include a Scottish ceilidh. Friday morning's choices will include discussion such as breeders' round table and classification. Disperse in the afternoon."

A word of warning. Delegates will have to be limited to 600 owing to the size of the convention facilities although in fact Peter Cox informs us that they are hoping to be able to accept more than that, but only marginally more. They anticipate roughly 400 from U.S.A. and Canada, 100 from U.K. and 100 from Europe plus a few from Australia and New Zealand etc.

Many Americans are wanting to book already so they are in the process of setting up advance booking with a deposit. The Booking Secretary will be Ian J. Douglas, Cedar Cottage, Craigrothie, CUPAR, Fife KY15 5PZ.

NEWS FROM THE BRANCHES

Wessex Branch

In February, Alan Clark gave a most interesting talk on the gardens at Leonardslee which was followed by a conducted tour of the gardens in April.

In March, Kenneth Cox gave a fascinating account of the American Hybrids which he entitled "the Good, the Bad and the Ugly" and prompted many of us, with his marvellous slides, to search out some of the "Good".

In May, the Branch held its Annual Competition (see below)

Very sadly, the visit to Sandling Park was cancelled due to the earliness of the season, but Mr & Mrs Hardy have invited us next year on an earlier date.

Our future programme includes:

17 October: Members' Afternoon and Tea

27 November: Talk on Ghent Azaleas by Mr Archie Skinner.

A full programme is being organised for the Spring. Enquiries to the new Hon Sec of the Branch: Mrs Margaret Hall, Rivendell House, Monk's Well, Moor Park, Farnham, Surrey GU10 1RH.

The following is a brief account of the Annual Competition:

Venue: The home of Mr & Mrs Linney, Moor Park, Farnham in a delightful garden painstakingly developed by the owners. We were grateful to John Bond for undertaking the judging once again especially in view of his other commitments and for the useful tips he gave us on staging.

Despite indifferent weather it was well supported and was divided into 9 classes:

Class 1 - Elepidote species. Won by Lady Anne Cowdray with a beautiful truss of *R. argyrophyllum* 'Chinese Silver' a just reward for making the journey from Devizes.

Class 2 - Lepidote species. A spray of white *augustinii* shown by Lady Adam Gordon who also won Class 3 with her own Lepidote Hybrid, Alexandra Gordon.

Class 4 - Elepidote Hybrids. Subdivided into colour sections. Mr Beard won the red section; Mrs Pelmore the yellow with a near perfect bloom of 'Nancy Evans'. The orange section, also, was won by Mrs Pelmore with her entry of 'Olga'. In the pink section 'The Master' was definitely "flavour of the day" with Loderis and Hydon Dawns giving it a close contest. However, much to everyone's surprise, a perfect bloom of the much maligned *R. Cynthia* shown by Margaret Hall won the day.

Class 5 - Azaleas were sub-divided into 3 sections, for deciduous species, deciduous hybrids and evergreens, won by Lady Gordon, Mr Linney and Mr Beard respectively.

Classes 6, 7 & 8 were all won by Lady Gordon with, respectively, Azaleodendron, 'Glory of Littleworth', a display of leaves, and the only Camellia entry.

Finally, Class 9 - any other shrub was won by our hosts, Mr & Mrs Linney with a lovely form of *Enkianthus*.

The Kathleen Beadle Shield for the most points in the Competition was won by our Chairman, Lady Adam Gordon and the Best in the Show cup went to Margaret Hall for her superb truss of *R. Cynthia*.

The afternoon ended with delicious refreshments provided by our hosts.

South West Branch

A Rhododendron workshop and slide show was run on 20 and 27 March at The Old Glebe, Eggesford, home of Nigel and June Wright. Some practical aspects of rhododendron propagation from seed and cuttings were explained by Nigel. We were then shown slides taken by Roy and Barbara Milne when they attended the 1991 ARS Annual Convention on Long Island.

On 24 April about 90 members and guests (a record number) were welcomed at Sidbury Manor by Sir Charles and Lady Cave. It was one of those warm, sunny spring days which give a hint of summer and the 60-acre woodland was carpeted with bluebells. We were too late to see the

flowers of Magnolia. 'Sidbury' (*M. campbellii* ssp. *campbellii* x ssp. *mollicomata*) which incidentally was later produced independently at Kew and named M. 'Charles Raffill'. However we enjoyed a fine selection of trees including three mature specimens of *Pinus montezumae*, some Davidias, a *Eucalyptus gunnii*, one of the largest recorded in recent years, measuring 75ft high x 15ft 3ins girth (1977) and a Sequoiadendron giganteum planted for King George VI's coronation in 1937. The rhododendrons included Loderi 'King George', Loder's White, *R. yunnanense* and a large *R. augustinii* of exactly the same blue as the bluebells.

In the afternoon we visited Fernwood, Bert Hollinrake's well known rhododendron garden, which we had last visited in 1986.

Originally planted some 27 years ago it now has some fine mature plants with something interesting to see at each turn of the winding woodland paths. A particularly fine red Camellia completely covered the gable end of the house.

Peter and Daphne Garwood then welcomed us at their home, Longmead at West Hill, near Ottery St Mary. In the last 8 years they have planted some 200 Azaleas, rhododendrons and Camellias plus collections of Acer, Ceonothus, Cornus, hardy geraniums, Hellebores and shrub and climbing roses, now beginning to look as established as their Edwardian house.

On 8th May, 76 members and guests assembled at Knightshayes to be given a personally conducted garden tour by the Head Gardener, Michael Hickson, who has been there for nearly 30 years, helping Sir John and Lady Heathcote Amery, the former owners to create and develop this Grade 1 garden which extends to 40 acres. The formal gardens include much fine topiary work as well as many tender and rare specimens. The high canopy woodland garden contains masses of camellias, azaleas, acers and rhododendrons, far too numerous to mention. Pausing at a white rhododendron with a purple flair (rather than a blotch) it was easy to decide that it was not R. Sappho. *R. campanulatum* influence was noted and we suggested R. George Cunningham (*arboreum* x *campanulatum*) or possibly the reverse cross R. Boddaertianum. Various mature examples of the scented Loderi grex, including 'Sir Joseph Hooker', with its herringbone effect leaves, were there together with R. Seven Stars (Loderi 'Sir Joseph Hooker' x *yakushimanum*). The Magnificence of the display of these famous hybrids is maintained by dead-heading with the use of ladders.

Sir John and Lady Quicke gave us a warm welcome at Sherwood, their home near Newton St Cyres. Their woodland gardens consist of three inter-secting valleys which provide the setting for the Edwardian house built to the design of one of Sir Edwin Lutyen's disciples. The entrance drive runs up the first valley where some new planting is in progress. It then crosses a side valley which contains a bog garden surrounded by mature rhododendrons under a tree canopy. R. Loderi 'Sir James Hooker' was there along with R. Katherine Fortescue, a fine yellow, and several griffithianum hybrids bred by Lionel Fortescue whose labels needed confirmation. RR. Grosclaude, Romany Chai and Romany Chal are also here. The third valley contained much of interest, notably mature Magnolias including M. Elsie Jury. We also noted *R. zaleucum*.

Finally, Richard and Myfany Scrivener kindly invited us to see their garden and take a glass of wine at The Glebe House, Upton Pyre, near Exeter. We noted *Pinus patula* and a Paulownia just coming into flower, whilst the many rhododendrons included some lesser-known varieties, such as Sir Joseph Whitworth, Pilgrim and Vervan Bay.

Rhododendrons created by Lionel Fortescue.

The South-West Group are making a survey of rhododendrons bred by Lionel Fortescue, late of The Garden House, Buckland Monachorum, Devon. Nigel Wright, The Old Glebe, Eggesford, Devon EX18 7QU Tel. (0769) 80632 would be interested to hear from any member who, hopefully, has correctly labelled plants of any of the following:

Buckland Beauty (*griffithianum* x Letty Edwards)

Buckland Cream (Windsor Hawk x Loderi Julie)

Lionel Fortescue (Hawk x Ellestee-wardii var. wardii)

Nancy Fortescue (*concatenans* x Lady Alice Fitzwilliam hybrid)

griffithianum x decorum

griffithianum x Damaris (Dr Stocker x *campylocarpum*)

griffithianum x Crest (wardii var. wardii x Lady Bessborough)

griffithianum x Prelude (wardii var. wardii x fortunei ssp. fortunei)

Specimens of Katherine Fortescue, Cecily Fortescue, Buckland and an unregistered hybrid, 'Bumble Bee' grow at The Old Glebe. Does anyone know of any other Fortescue rhododendron hybrids?

Here are three more for starters, Nigel! (Ed.)

R. Alston (*griffithianum* x Hawk) Creamy white with base stain of pale yellow,

R. Brentor (Hawk x *griffithianum*) Flowers red purple fading to cream with

a basal red blotch, and

R. William Fortescue (*griffithianum* x *Campylocarpum* var. *elatum*).

Buds suffused red, opening light greenish-white. Reverse cross to R. Penjerrick.

The Savill Garden in Windsor Great Park

A Plant Fair will be held in the Savill Garden on 28th August from 10am to 5.30pm. There will be many small specialist nurseries and garden associated stands, old gardening books, paintings etc. for sale. Free admission to the Fair.

The Savill Garden is situated in Wick Lane, Englefield Green, off the A30, on the edge of Windsor Great Park. Clearly signposted from Ascot, Bagshot, Egham (M25 Junc. 13) and Windsor (M4 Junc. 6) Licensed self-service restaurant, plant and gift/book shop.

Large Car Park. Admission to the garden: Adults £3; Senior Citizens £2.50. Accompanied children under 16 free.

Organised in conjunction with The National Council for the Conservation of Plants and Gardens.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 19th April 1993.

Apologies for absence were received from Dr F Aukland, Mr D N Farnes, Lady Adam Gordon, Mr P Howarth, Mr J K Hulme, Mr A T Stevenson, Mr I Stokes, Mrs E Wheeler and Mr E N G Wright.

The meeting was held with 9 people present.

The Minutes of the 1992 Annual General Meeting, which had been printed in Bulletin No. 50 August 1992 were approved and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report

The Group has returned to a surplus and so our reserves are once again building up. This is largely as a result of the increase in membership fees from £7.00 to £10.00 at November 1991.

However, we cannot expect this level of surplus to continue. In the coming year we will have to reprint stationery, our membership application form and, subject to agreement, a new list of members. These will cost in the region of £1,500.

We will now also have to pay the full price for the Year Book increasing the cost to some £3,500 (assuming 700 members). We also now lose our free Bulletin printing further adding to our costs.

Assuming other costs remain similar to 1992 the coming year will be closer to a break even situation. With careful housekeeping and no additional expense I expect us to break even in the year to October 1994. However, for the year beginning November 1994 we will need to increase subscription levels and I would suggest this is put forward in detail at next year's AGM. If we are to continue to build up funds to enable us to put on exhibits etc., we need to increase membership numbers as well as rates. I would suggest that we aim to increase the basic annual subscription to £15 from November 1994.

We could also benefit from other fund-raising activities and members suggestions and active involvement would be welcomed. We certainly need more support for initiatives such as the greeting card which, I am glad to report, has almost broken even.

Chairman's Report

I must apologise to everyone that this meeting is not being held on a Show Day which means that some members will have had to make an extra journey. Unfortunately it proved quite impossible to book any space for tomorrow, which would have been the usual date. We are making every effort to ensure that this state of affairs does not occur again.

Despite the adverse financial climate of the country in general the overall membership of the Group has held up well. The latest figures that I have are 714 members of whom 109 are from overseas.

You have already heard the Hon Treasurer's report and I think that we must all be grateful to him for the healthy state of the Group's finances despite the loss occasioned by the erroneous double payment for the Year Book referred to in his report last year. The printers involved have now ceased trading which accounts for the remarks concerning the free printing of the Bulletin which we were offered as compensation for the loss on the Yearbook. However a new firm has been approached by the Hon Bulletin Editor and an agreement has been reached for the printing of the Bulletin at a substantially reduced price. The accounts for the year ended 31st October 1991 have been audited and the draft accounts for the following year which you have before you are with the auditors. When these are returned the accounts will be up-to-date for which we are grateful to our Hon Treasurer for his hard work in setting right matters not of his making.

In the past the RHS has allowed the Group a discount on the face value of the Yearbook but have now withdrawn this concession with the inevitable impact on our finances, so that I must endorse the Hon Treasurer's remarks regarding an increase in subscriptions.

During the year two members of the Executive Committee attended a Rhododendron Conference in Germany and contact has been maintained with Societies in other countries.

Seed collected on the CLD Expedition to China was, by the kindness of Mr Chris Brickell, made available to members through the Seed Exchange together with seed from other locations. This year seed collected in Vietnam and Tibet will be offered amongst others. Applications should be made to Ken Hulme at Treshnish, 72 Parkgate Rd, Neston, South Wirral, L64 6QQ enclosing s.a.e.

The Yearbook goes from strength to strength in the capable hands of the Group's Hon Editor, Lady Cynthia Postan, with the much appreciated backing of the RHS editorial department. The new Bulletin Editor has settled well into his job as is evidenced by the excellent quality of his production.

The Annual tour took place on the West Coast of Scotland and was very quickly fully booked as is this year's, which is to visit gardens in Surrey and Sussex. The Autumn Weekend was held at an Hotel in the New Forest with visits to Exbury and the Hillier Arboretum. The high standard has been maintained throughout, thanks to the organisational efficiency of the tours organiser, Valerie Archibold.

Last year I mentioned the question of the Group's Constitution, saying that it needed to be brought up-to-date to meet current conditions and hoping that the amended draft could be put to this meeting for ratification. The

draft has been in the hands of the RHS for some time and, it is understood, been considered by a committee but to date no comments have been received, so the matter will have to be put forward to the next AGM.

The Hon. Membership Secretary, Ray Redford, has tackled not only his considerable job of maintaining the Group membership records but, acting in concert with Alistair Stevenson, has attended to the despatch of the Yearbook, which in itself is no mean undertaking. It is hoped that this year he will feel able to produce an up-to-date list of members.

I have mentioned some members of the Executive Committee by name but I am deeply grateful to the whole Committee for their unfailing support. One last name before I close must be that of Mrs Joey Warren, the Hon Secretary, whose undoubted efficiency adds so much to the smooth running of things.

Finally I must comment that there have been no nominations for election to the Executive Committee called for. This is because there are at present no vacancies, all members not having served their full term in office.

Executive Committee

None of the committee members was due to retire and there were no nominations. All existing Officers were re-elected. The Auditors were re-appointed.

It was agreed to send greetings from the Group to all Honorary Life-members.

Date of next Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 12th April 1994 at 4.30pm.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1991

Expenditure	1991	1990	Income	1991	1990
Year Books - Printing	2816	2363	Subscriptions	4845	5001
- Despatch	230	300	Bank Interest	215	322
Bulletins - Printing	717	838	Seed Sales	-	1539
- despatch	754	532	Autumn Weekend 1989	-	16
Secretary's Expenses	99	26	Donations	70	-
Year Book Editor exps	57	63	Year Book Sales	141	-
Treasurer's Expenses	126	20	Cards	52	-
Chairman's Expenses	78	30	(Deficit for year)	1857	-
Membership Sec's exps	439	43			
Wisley Display	-	301			
Bank Charges	240	393			
Presentation Gift	-	135			
Photo Competition	-	10			
Autumn Weekend 1990	72	1			
Miscellaneous	69	58			
Depreciation	60	87			
Membership Register	813	-			
Stationery leaflets	610	-			
Surplus for the year		1678			
	<u>7180</u>	<u>6878</u>		<u>7180</u>	<u>6878</u>

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 OCTOBER 1991

Liabilities	1991	1990	Assets	1991	1990
	£	£		£	£
General Fund	4792	3114	Display Unit	125	178
(Deficit) surplus for year	(1857)	1678	Printer	17	24
	<u>2935</u>	<u>4792</u>		<u>142</u>	<u>202</u>
Subs in advance	1015	424	Bank	3576	5182
Creditors	-	473	Bulletin float	200	200
	<u>1015</u>	<u>897</u>	Tour account	32	105
				<u>3808</u>	<u>5487</u>
	<u>3950</u>	<u>5689</u>		<u>3950</u>	<u>5689</u>

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO MEMBERS OF THE RHODODENDRON, CAMELLIA & MAGNOLIA GROUP OF THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

I have examined the Accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 October 1991 and I confirm that the accounts are in accordance with the books and vouchers presented to me.

J O Harrison ACA

5 March 1993