

ELLENS GREEN AND RUDGWICK GARDENING ASSOCIATION



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Record-breaking Summer Show attended by two local MPs

The Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association (EGRGA) broke records with their summer show on July 2nd

The association's energetic Show Secretary Simon Quail said "This year we had over 320 entries – higher than many pre-pandemic years".

The show was formally opened by Jeremy Quin, Horsham's MP, and the prizes were presented by Angela Richardson, Guildford's MP. Both had warm words say about the show and the importance of celebrating community, particularly after two years of lockdown restrictions.

Judges commented that the show tent members' exhibits were excellent. The Slinfold Concert Band contributed magnificently to the traditional atmosphere, as did the popular Punch and Judy show.

The association's chairman, Richard Haigh commented "This was a real team effort. Hundreds of volunteers came forward to make this event one of our best shows ever".

Captions to photos:

Jeremy Quin MP and EGRGA Chairman Richard Haigh opening the show
EGRGA Show Secretary receiving his prize from Angela Richardson MP

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Background info:

The Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association (EGRGA) was founded in 1945 and organises spring, summer and autumn shows every year. They're all popular, the Summer Show being a classic village event with several marquees, brass band and lots of other activities.

2022 is the 77th anniversary of the Association. During lockdown, shows were successfully moved online. EGRGA also pioneered the 'Virtual Open Gardens' concept, which encouraged people to submit videos of their gardens.

EGRGA brings together communities across the Surrey/Sussex border.