

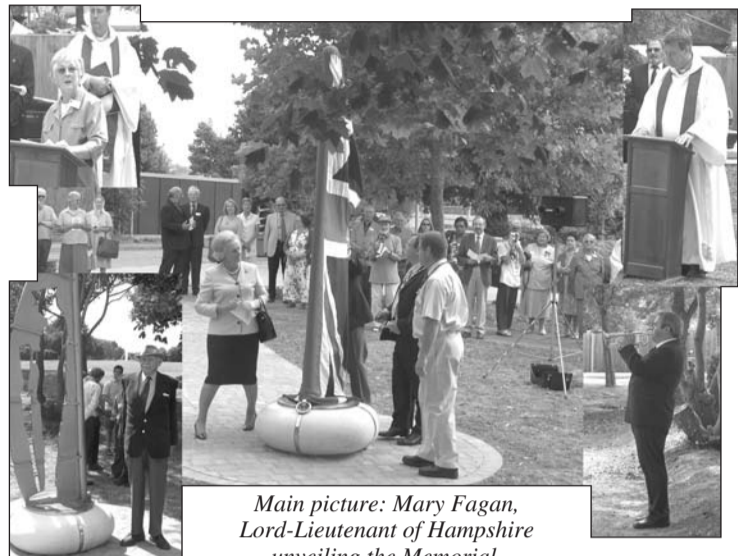


Emsworth Community Board
Emsworth Memorial and Memorial Garden

Virginia Wilson-Smith

The Memorial Sculpture was officially unveiled on 11 August in the Emsworth Memorial Garden by Mrs Mary Fagan, Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire.

A very moving Dedication Service was conducted by the Reverend Tom Kennar with readings by representatives of the various Churches in the town.



Main picture: Mary Fagan, Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire unveiling the Memorial.

Inserts: clockwise from bottom left: 1. Veteran Harold Groom who proposed the project to the Community Board. 2. Councillor Virginia Wilson-Smith. 3. Reverend Tom Kennar. 4. Bugler Jonathan Camps.

The band of TS Unity played before and after the ceremony, and bugler Jonathan Camps playing The Last Post and The Reveille. There were many visitors, including His Worship the Mayor of Havant and officers from HBC, representatives from the British Legion, Guides, Scouts other local organisation, and many residents of Emsworth.

The Memorial Garden still needs to be completed to make it a fitting place

for such a lovely and thoughtful sculpture. HBC are doing a great job by clearing the site and making it ready for our designer, Sarah Sanderson of the Emsworth Horticultural Society, who is providing a planting plan for the garden.

Plaques with the names of those who died in the two World Wars, extra seating and an information board will complete the Memorial Garden and make it a special place for reflection and contemplation.

We are now fundraising

We are applying for Lottery funding and match funding from large organisations, however, donations from the people of Emsworth are also essential to complete this community project. Please give generously.

Cheques should be made payable to: 'Emsworth Horticultural Society' with the words 'Memorial Garden Fund' written on the back of the cheque and sent together with your name and address to:
Virginia Wilson-Smith, The Old School House, 5 School Lane, Emsworth, PO10 7ED.

Thank you very much for supporting this worthwhile community project.

Memorial Garden Planting
Sarah Sanderson, Emsworth Horticultural Society

Regular walkers along Hordean Road will know that there is not much 'garden' yet in the new Memorial Garden. However, HBC have done a considerable amount of preparatory work in the form of clearance, removing old stumps and repairing a retaining wall.

A planting plan can be done once decisions on the hardscaping have been made, including relaying the path and possibly re-routing part of it, and building retaining walls for both the other beds. It is vital to the long-term success of the project that it is set up properly. At present, the site is not flat but if retaining walls are built on the lower side, runoff and erosion can be avoided in future and make watering and maintenance much easier for HBC.

Planting will include shrubs, perennials and trees with year round interest and colour, and I hope nearly year round scent.

Emsworth Show (continued from page 1)

William Howarth of Christchurch won the *Devoil Blue Riband* for the best in show, for his wonderful cactus. He also gained the most points in the Horticultural Sections winning the Basil Williams Trophy and received a number of other cups and awards for key sections.

The *National Vegetable Society Medal* went to the splendid giant leeks grown by Don Hall of Southbourne. The *Banksian Medal*, awarded by the RHS, was jointly awarded to Mr A. Chivers and Mr B.P. Moore, who also won our new cup for the *Emsworth Dahlia Champion*, engraved in memory of John Holliss, a long-serving member of the Society.

A new cup, *Emsworth Champion Gardener*, was won by Mr M.S. Moore who also had the most points in the Vegetable Section winning the *Stares Memorial Cup*.

We are very grateful for the support of all our entrants who compete in the show, especially the Young Exhibitors from 4 - 13 years who show skills in so many classes.

The prizes were presented by David Hurron of the Radio Solent Topsoil Team who is also a freelance garden writer. He was most impressed by the quality of exhibits at the show and is returning to Emsworth to give a talk in the autumn.

This was a successful day, with families enjoying the sunshine and the fun of the show and we are already thinking about next year's Show, so if you want to join us please contact our Show Chairman, John Lemm, 01243 372901.

Your Hospices

John Reynolds & Jan Tomsett



Springfield Nursing Home stage their own event in aid of St Wilfrid's Hospice

At the July ERA QGM, members of staff from the Rowans Hospice at Waterlooville and St Wilfrid's Hospice at Chichester described palliative care and support services available in East Hampshire and West Sussex. They described how they care for those in need and their supporting family.

Funding comes from legacies, charitable support and a declining

Community Responders update

Janet Barradell

Emsworth Community Responders are now fully functional. There are now 18 fully trained volunteers and another 10 waiting to be trained. So far they have responded to 10 call-outs. They are helping to greatly reduce the time it takes for help to arrive all the time there is a volunteer on duty.

The roster timetable is now being stabilised to provide a good spread of cover. The objective is to be available from 10am to 10pm, we cover around 40% of this at present including most evenings and this will improve considerably as soon as the new volunteers have been trained. Weekday daytime is still the most difficult period to cover as many volunteers have full time jobs. If you can help, we still need more volunteers especially for these times. Volunteers make themselves available for four hourly shifts.

The area we cover at present is the whole of Emsworth within Hampshire and the Warblington Church area of Denvilles. We do not normally cover Sussex as yet, since this is in a different ambulance area and are covered from Chichester.

Volunteers and Fundraising

Six new volunteers signed up as a result of a stall at the Emsworth Show.

During the Food Festival we raised £100 on our own stall and the Co-op raised another £100 from their raffle.

Our next event will be a **Street Collection** to be held in The Square on **Saturday 14 October, 9am to 5pm.**

Volunteers and funds are still needed. If you think this might be for you or can help in fundraising, contact me, Janet Barradell, on 01243 430289.

Numbers on Doors

A problem we share with the ambulance service and the police is finding the right house. Can your house be easily identified from the road?

- Make sure your house number is large and stands out, e.g. at least 3.5 inches tall and black on white.
- Place your name or number on a wall or gatepost next to the road rather than on the door.
- Cut back foliage regularly so that your number can be clearly seen.
- Help your neighbours to make their numbers visible.

sum from central government. Fundraising is aided by the work of local voluntary groups, who organise events and collections in their respective areas.

The Emsworth and Westbourne Support Group of St. Wilfrid's is being reformed, if you can help in any way, please contact John Reynolds Tel: 01243 373699, or St. Wilfrid's Hospice tel: 01243 775302 or www.stwh.co.uk.

For the Rowans Hospice Support Group (Havant), please contact Mrs Jan Thomsett, Tel: 023 9241 2016 or Rowans Hospice tel: 023 9225 0001 or www.rowanshospice.co.uk.

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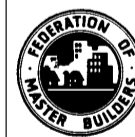
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