

Show Report 2017 (Lyn Davies)

I stepped in as Acting Show Chair following the resignation of Graham Steel soon after the 2016 Show. We failed to find anyone to replace him and I continued to 'act' until the Show wash-up meeting. Faith Ponsonby has taken over as Show Chair elect to be confirmed in the committee elections this evening.

The weather on Show day was perfect for an outdoor event – warm, dry, sunny but not too hot or windy. Well over 4000 adults came, plus children, helpers, arena events people and stall holders. There were 125 stalls including a wide variety of food outlets, 5 events in the big arena, 3 events in the small arena two bands and a fur and feather tent. The dog show was as popular as ever with 170 entries.

In the marquee there was a good show of produce, flowers, art and crafts, cookery and photography. The number of entries increased on 2016 to 947, as were the number of entrants at 176. This is the core of the Show so it is encouraging that interest in competing is very much alive.

It was a show memorable for its smooth running and excellence in all areas. I was very impressed with the thoughtfulness and enthusiasm of the show committee members. Planning was meticulous and it paid off. My grateful thanks to all those involved in the management of the Show. They worked extremely hard for the months leading up to the Show as well as the Show weekend itself. Thanks also to the huge number of volunteer helpers who supported and assisted before, during and after the Show.