

Hardy Plant Society Dorset Group
Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December
2020
Treasurer's Report

2020 started with a sense of anticipation as we were all looking forward to a full year's calendar of events that promised much enjoyment.

All was well to start with, and the first two speaker's meetings went well, and delivered an overall surplus of £230.67 as shown. You will note that, as usual, we had a deficit of £218.50 after paying for the hire of the hall and speaker's costs, but this was more than covered by the surplus from our ancilliary activities at the meetings amounting to £449.17.

Then in March came Covid!

The result of this was that all events bar one were unfortunately cancelled. As a result as you can see, we spent the rest of the year making refunds.

We had other income during the year as shown. The plant sales at Manor Farm Hampreston in August, was the only additional activity in the year and yielded £223.70. The total donations received includes £100 from HPS National relating to the staging of their AGM in Wimborne which was being arranged by the Dorset Group and we, in turn, donated £100 to Colehill Library for their garden in memory of Barbara Gooch

The holiday to Cheshire was to take place in July 2020 but has been switched to July 2021 and we are holding 47 deposits amounting to £2350 for this re arranged trip which we hope will be able to go ahead. The only payments apart from expenses of £10.38 is the hotel deposit of £500.

All our day trips were cancelled and we have made refunds to all but a few people who have requested that we hold on to their monies for another time.

We had to cancel our ticketed celebrity event involving Nick Bailey and although we have refunded the majority of ticket holders, we still have £89.50 owing to a number of persons. We are holding on to their money and are hoping that those who have not requested a refund will do so, as we do not have their bank details which we need in order to refund them.

So at present we have £2010.62 held over from the holiday and day trips and £89.50 relating to the Nick Bailey event.

The funds at the end of the year are in a healthy state at £17927.93, and we look forward to getting back to normal later this year.

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