

# The Scottish Rock Garden Club Forrest Medal Kincardine 2016 Trillium rivale 'Purple Heart' shown by Cyril Lafong



Last month Cyril Lafong was presented with his special Gold George Forrest Memorial Medal for winning 50 Forrest medals. He has not let this lower his standards as he has won the first available Forrest of the year. The first show was at Kendal but Cyril was not. The medal contested was a Farrer medal [the AGS equivalent of our Forrest]. Those of you who follow these reports on the SRGC web site will be well acquainted with the winning plants. Cyril's Trillium rivale 'Purple Heart' has been top plant at the Stirling show several times[ 2015, 2012, 2011, 2007— illustrated below].

As the Trillium ages it gets more floriferous, bigger and better, though each year I describe it as 'perfect'. So there you have it perfection improved! Despite strong competition for the top prize Cyril's Trillium triumphed again and it was a well deserved win. Each year it is in a bigger pot. This year it is very heavy to lift. That is why Cyril is standing behind it for the picture. There must be exhibitors who are waiting for the day that the pot becomes just too heavy! I am sure Cyril will have a trolley or a replacement plant. As the say in Fife, 'Ye can'nae keep a guid man doon'! I am pretty sure there is an equivalent expression in Cyril's native Mauritius. Well done Cyril!

