



# The Scottish Rock Garden Club

## SHOW REPORTS

### HEXHAM SRGC / AGS SHOW

### 2013



This was a magnificent show. Without doubt there were more superb, great and just good plants here than at any show for a long time. Exhibitors came frae a' the airts to bring their treasures for everyone to admire. There were incredible numbers of entries especially in the multiple pan classes. We have never seen so many pans of Primula on the benches. There could have been a very well contested class for one pan Primula 'Broadwell Milkmaid' alone. Is this the most popular white Primula in the UK? We were privileged to see so many bulbs and Saxifrages as well. It was heartening to see so many people entering the 'novice' classes. This bodes well for the future of the Hexham show. Hopefully more people will join the hardy band of seasoned exhibitors north of the border. The show secretaries meeting came up with some ideas to help increase the number of entries in SRGC Section II. Like the Elephant and the English Channel, we will have to wait and see. With over 850 individual plants on show it will be impossible to do much more than give a flavour of this incredible event. I will concentrate on some of the multiple classes and then, later when time permits, some of my favourite plants.

Many of the plants would have been over in a 'normal' year but this spring has been so cold and prolonged

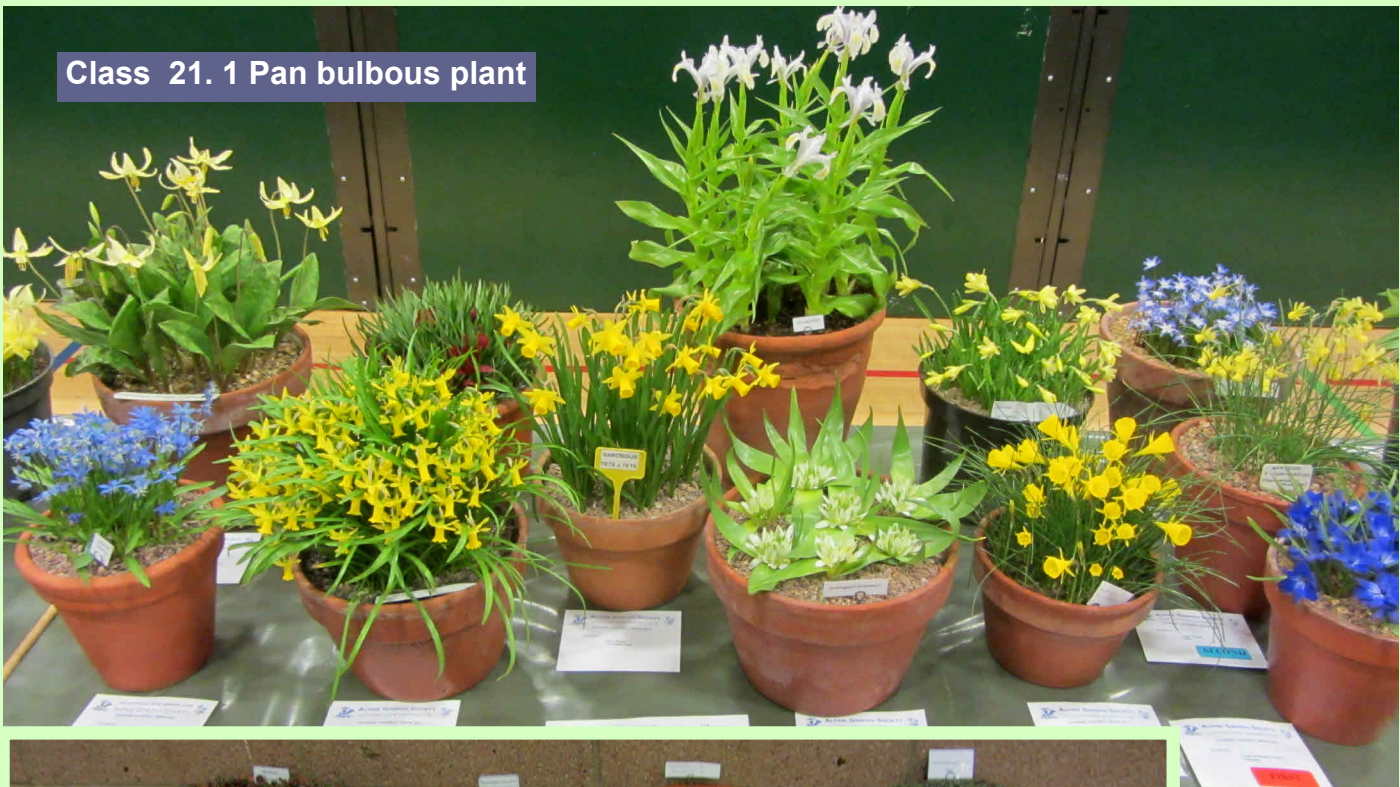
that many early flowerers have delayed opening in the coldest parts of the country. David Boyd's 6 pan entry in Section 1 comprised 3 Hepaticas [which were shown at Edinburgh last week, including his Forrest medal winner] and 3 Irises - Iris 'Sheila Ann Germaney', Iris reticulata and Iris winogradowii.

From the 6 pan corner you can get some idea of the number and high quality of the exhibits as well as the amount of interest they gave to seasoned growers and show-ers alike.





Class 4 . 3 pans Primulaceae



Class 21. 1 Pan bulbous plant



Class 39 .  
1 Pan  
Crassulaceae



**Class 51.3 Pans Rock plant distinct genera**



Class of the Year?

# Don's the King of Primulas



**Class 51. 3 Pans Primula allionii or P. allionii hybrids**  
**Winner Don Peace**



**Class 51. 1 Pan Primula allionii or P. allionii hybrid**  
**How many Primula Broadwell Milkmaid do you see?**  
**Winner Don Peace**



**Class 81. 3 Pans Rock Plants  
Any one Genus**

Botanical notes allowed  
First Tim Lever with

**3 Androsaces**

**1. *A. yargonensis***

**2. *A. sp. aff lehmanniana***

**3. *A. ciliata***







Section C 3 pan class



**Steve Walters from Shelley  
had the best plant in  
C Section  
Cyclamen persicum  
He won the  
Cyril Barnes Trophy-  
it was his first show!!**

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