

## Ickenham & Swakeleys Horticultural Society AGM Friday 3 December 2010

Our 65<sup>th</sup> AGM took place on Friday 3 December 2010 in Ickenham Village Hall. As these photos show, it was a well attended occasion, with good speakers, fabulous show prizes and, perhaps most importantly, a good selection of refreshments.

Unfortunately our front line AGM reporter, and star vintner, Tom Upton wasn't able to join us this year – this young reporter will endeavour to do the evening justice in his absence. Many thanks to Ken Faille for the splendid photos of the evening.

### Plenty of good stuff happening, particularly among the Juniors

Reports were heard from all of the different parts of the Society. There was an interesting update from the Chairman, who has been involved with the children's gardening clubs at both Glebe and Breakspear Schools. We were particularly successful in getting together a donation of gardening tools for Breakspear School, with thanks to our members for handing over items that were no longer required.



The Society's Secretary, Chairman and President during the AGM

time (or 'were put to work in the Trading Hut' as we like to call it). The current committee was particularly glad to see some of the previous committee members at the AGM to keep us on track!

Roger gave particular thanks to Ralph Hughes for his tireless efforts arranging the printing of the newsletter and driving it round to the road stewards for onward delivery.

I know I've also seen Ralph delivering these by bike, which is very environmentally friendly, and to my mind deserves even greater acclaim!



The AGM underway

Glebe School runs its gardening club all year and we're still a bit short of help. If you can donate an hour of time every month, and would like to help the younger generation, please do get in touch.

### The President's Address

The Society President, Roger Trigg, gave his annual address. Roger expressed pleasure about the way the new committee is working, after the drastic changes last year when three key members of the committee retired at the same



Guests enjoy the seasonal refreshments along with a traditional tippole of wine

## Show highlights of 2010

Like previous years, 2010 saw a high standard of entries into both the Spring and Autumn shows, which meant a good number of winners to be awarded with cups at the AGM.



Margaret Mayes wins 3 trophies and shares one with Miles Cason



Tony Ridler winner for Pot Plants



John Stokes winner of Dahlias classes



Roger Trigg and Dennis Brownlie joint winners of the Men's Domestic Challenge Cup



Judith Williams winner of Domestic classes



Anke Phillips winner of best allotment

Many thanks to newsletter editor Karen McManus for this report, and to Ken Faille for the photos.



Junior winner in the over 10s classes



Junior winner under 10