

## The Northshore Camellia Club

Feb. 8, 2022

Report on the Northshore Camellia Show Sunday, Jan. 9, 2022

The show was a great success. We had approximately 900 blooms entered in the show and approximately 250 visitors came through when the show was open to the public for viewing.

Hosting our show on a Sunday this year did not prove to negatively impact our participation or attendance. The hotel had our tables and table cloths in place by the time we arrived to complete the set up at 6:00am that morning. Thanks to the early birds that helped make sure we were set up on time for our exhibitors to prepare their flowers for display.

Many thanks to the 17 judges, 5 novice judges, and the many from our membership that served as clerks and volunteers. Six of our members had flowers making it to the head table including two novice members of our club. Congratulations to all for your great blooms and your wins.

Arthur Sterbcow headed our plant sales in the front of the hotel. We had 159 plants on hand, 100 plants were sold, and 49 plants were returned to Mizell's. About 10 of those plants returned were purchased from Glen Read which Mizell's agreed to try and sell for us at the Giddy Up Show held in Folsom.

Arthur provided some good suggestions for next year that we will consider for next year's show. His suggestion this year to utilize Square for those wishing to pay with credit cards was an excellent one as it accounted for approximately 50% of our plant sales.

The Firehouse Event Center continues to be an excellent venue for the lunch offered to our judges and volunteers. The food was delicious and members brought plenty of desserts for all to enjoy. Thanks to Meg and the members

that helped as they did an exceptional job to ensure our luncheon capped off a great event.

## **End Results**

The Club netted about \$3,300 in plant sales, \$450.00 gained from the sale of raffle tickets for the camellias donated by Mizell's Camellia Hill Nursery, and C. K. signed up five new members for the club. All numbers higher3 than last year.

As usual, our treasurer, C. K., will provide a full accounting of our finances the next time we meet.

The combined effort by all is what continues to make this show the most popular camellia show in the Gulf Coast region. We appreciate the dedication and time our members provide. Your efforts add to our financial viability and to the future success of our club. Thank you!

## **Hunter Charbonnet**



