



Hordle Gardening Club Newsletter September 2022



Rest in Peace Your Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.
We offer our heartfelt thoughts and condolences to the whole Royal Family at this sad time.

Hello Everyone...

I'm not going to mention the weather this month! ☺

Our BBQ at the beginning of August was a really good turnout, we were all outside enjoying the sunshine and food... then about 8pm it became a bit on the chilly side, and some people started to move indoors where it was lovely and warm from the heat of the day. Everyone else followed and we finished indoors with the quiz (thank you Claire) and the drawing of the raffle. What a lovely evening it was.

On Friday 9th September, a coachful of us went up to RHS Wisley for the September Flower Show. We were very lucky with the weather a little rain first thing but then dry and the sun came out in the afternoon. Perfect! Everyone seemed to enjoyed the day and came back with plants too. Many thanks to Kate's sister for welcoming us with cakes on the coach.

Oh dear, I said I wasn't going to mention the weather! But then as gardeners we're always thinking about it aren't we.
See you next Friday.

Friday 23rd September - talk

A very slight change of subject and content from that previously advertised, Tim Woodland is joining us to talk about 'Autumn Bulbs for Spring Flowering'. He will also be bringing bulbs for sale, so remember to bring your pennies.

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Club meetings are generally held on the 4th Friday of the month, doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start, at the Hordle Pavilion.

Diary Dates

Friday 23rd September - talk
'Autumn Bulbs for Spring Flowering' with Tim Woodland.

Friday 28th October - talk
'Wall Shrubs and Climbers' with Ray Broughton.

Saturday 26th November -
Christmas party and buffet. Members free, who can bring a partner or non-member as a guest for £5. More details next month.

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Christmas Party - Saturday 26th November

It probably seems shocking to mention the 'C' (Christmas) word in September, but our Christmas party will be held at the end of November, so you can put your names down on the list at this and next meetings. As with last year, this is free for members, who can bring a partner or non-member as a guest for £5.

Make sure you don your Christmas jumper, or follow Kate's lead and choose something zany!! 😊 And yes, Kate will also be in charge again of the silly games! More next month.

New Committee Members needed!

Your Gardening Club Needs You!

We need more people on the committee to contribute ideas and help us make decisions, and also make the committee more sustainable considering we're supposed to stand down after 3years of serving.

If you're not backward in coming forward in voicing your thoughts to contribute ideas/help with decisions/assist with committee jobs then please consider joining us. We generally meet for 2 hrs about 6/8 times per year. If you think you might be interested, then please talk to a committee member at the next meeting or email the our club email address.

Membership Form for 2023

You will find a PDF copy of the Membership Form for 2023 attached to the same email as this newsletter. Hard copies will also be available at meetings.

We will not process the forms until towards the end of the year, so, as with last year, we would appreciate you enclosing the form and your cash/cheque in an envelope with your name on it. Hand in at any of the next few meetings. We will be issuing 2023 Membership cards from the January meetings onwards.

Plant Sales Table

Don't forget your contributions are always very welcome. September and October are good months to split perennials to give them a chance to get some root growth while the soil is still warm... and if we have another dry spring summer next year they'll be better able to survive.

Payments for Events and Trips

Please pay for trips and events when you put your name down for attending. It would also be a great help to us if you could bring the exact cash or pay by cheque.

What Happens at our Meetings

Doors open at 7pm with the talk starting promptly at 7.30pm. Time for you to look at the plant sale table and buy your raffle ticket/s.

Following the talk **coffee/tea** will be served (50p please) and the Raffle drawn. Donations of raffle prizes are always gratefully received.

We have various **gardening magazines** available for you to take - usually in front of the bar shutters. Keep an eye out here for other items.

Information Board

Check out the club's black Information Board which will show upcoming event details, and the relevant booking sheets on clipboards. Please pay when you put your name down for an event.

Plant Sales Table

Your donations of plants for the sales table will be very welcome each month we have a speaker. Funds raised contribute towards our talks and events. Please name your plants if you know what they are... we will have labels available at each meeting.

Raffle Table

We have a raffle table at every meeting with a speaker, so remember to buy a few tickets. Your contributions of raffle prizes are always very welcome too.

All monies raised go to club funds and towards future events and trips.

Let's get growing!