



Hordle Gardening Club Newsletter

June 2025

Hello Everyone,

Summer is here and we have been spoilt with the beautiful gardens our members have opened up, where we can swap hits and tips, and get to know each other a little better over tea/ coffee and cake. We have ore to come, see keep your eye's out for email updates.

The roses have been particularly spectacular this year, and the vegetable garden is also doing well,.... Although I did get bean and pea envy when looking at how large Alan's plants are, and they are ready for picking, yum!

Hopefully you will all have lots of items to put in the members closed show next month, we may have a bumper class of tomatoes this year with all this lovely sun.

Friday 27th June — Talk

Next Friday we welcome back Bryan Madders, judge and chairman of The Forest Dahlia and Chrysanthemum Society. This time he will be giving a talk on 'Unusual Perennials'.

Up and coming Events

July - Members Closed Show

Hopefully you are all in full swing with your plans for what you will be exhibiting at the show!.... But even if you haven't, it's not too late. I have printed more schedules that will be available at the June meeting, so have a look through at the classes, and the tips for showing your produce, and enter as many classes as you can.

Annual BBQ—Friday 8th Aug

Our annual BBQ is back, and still fantastic value at £5 per ticket for members and guest's. The sign up sheet will be available at the June and July meetings.

As always, please pay when you put your name on the list.

You will need to provide your own drink, but the social club is likely to be open, so I'm sure they would happily sell you a drink on the night.

Diary Dates

Friday 27th June - talk

'Unusual Perennials' with
Bryan Madders

Friday 25h July - Closed show

(Members only)

Friday 8th Aug—BBQ

Saturday 30th August—Hordle Summer Fete

Friday 26th September - talk

'Small glass house' with
Wilf Simcox

Friday 24th October - talk

'The wonder of the walled
garden' with Gillian Taylor

Saturday 29th November—talk

Annual Christmas Buffet

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

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Hordle Summer Fete— Saturday 30th August

The Hordle Fete is going ahead again this year and is always a great way for us to promote our wonderful club! We will need your help again please, so any plants, garden related tools (no pots please), and if you can, your time volunteering either on the stall or as part of the wider Fete—please let me know if you can help!

Paula will also be doing her tray gardens again, so anything you have that might be good, please do have a chat with Paula.

Trips for 2025

Sep—Heale Garden & Plant Centre

I can confirm the second trip for 2025 on Wed 17th Sep, and we will be using the community mini bus again, so will have 16 seats available.

If we have organised a tour which does increase the cost of the tickets but we believe this will really add value to the visit.

Ticket prices are:

- £20 for those travelling on the mini bus
- £13 for those making their own way there

All details and the sign up sheet will be available at the June meeting.

Members open gardens

In July, we have the following members kindly opening their gardens, tea & coffee will be available at 50p and all money raised goes to the club. There will be even more in August.

Elaine	Sat 21st June 10:00 - 12:00
Claire & Brian	Wed 2nd July 14:00 - 16:00 & 18:00 - 20:00

Jobs in the garden in July

Extend your flowering season by pruning off spent flowers.

Stake or train flowers that are about to bloom to keep their heads held high

Sow: It's not too late to sow some rocket, and other salad plants, also succession planting of carrots, beetroot, radishes.

Thin out: Apples, pears etc

Take softwood cuttings: Lavender, rosemary, fuchsias, pelargoniums, penstemons and deciduous shrubs like hydrangeas and forsythias.

Collecting seed: Seed heads are starting to form, so get ready with your paper bags for cornflowers, sweet peas, stocks, nasturtiums, sunflowers, cosmos, scabious, foxglove and many more.

Divide: Spring flowering perennials like iris's, hardy geraniums.

Prune: Magnolias, fig tips, raspberry tips, and cut back hardy geraniums

Feed: Roses, and containers throughout the summer.

And,.....

Enjoy whatever you have grown not matter how big or small your garden is. Take photos and notes for planning next year.

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 trips and event details, and the relevant booking sheets on clipboards. **Please pay when you put your name down for a trip/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.