



# Bridford Steign valley Garden Club

## 2021 June Newsletter

So lovely to have had another well attended visit to report on.

### Wildside

On June 3rd about twenty members of the garden club visited Wildside Garden at Buckland Monachorum.

The garden, created from a flat field by Keith and Ros Wiley, is a testament to what can be done with a clear vision and a digger.

There are acers in abundance and beautiful wisterias water gardens and a new area being created as a dry garden with planting inspiring by the South African velt. This area is in memory of Ros who sadly died of cancer in 2019.

The garden is a must for anyone looking for inspiration on what can be done with an uninteresting plot.

### Bickham House

Our next visit, on July 1<sup>st</sup>. is to Bickham House, Kenn EX6 7XL

Bickham House has six acres of very varied gardens including a lakeside walk and a walled garden. Entry is £6 plus £3.50 for tea and cake or £4.50 for a cream tea, please contact Sarah Lyte 01626 439678 if you will be coming.

The summer gathering will be at Kennick Barn EX6 7NZ 15<sup>th</sup> July please contact me on 01647252761, or via [Hibly@hotmail.com](mailto:Hibly@hotmail.com) .

Rose Bowl. Flower arrangement featuring blue and white.

### Competitions

Betty Shaw Cup. Rose exhibit, any type, any number of stems

Horticultural Cup. 3 specimens of 3 different root vegetables

Potted Plant- any potted plant in flower

The Christow Show is sadly cancelled again for this year.

### June advice from the RHS

Plant out summer bedding and seed-raised plants, if not already done so. Make sure they are well watered in and keep moist during dry weather.

Plant out cannas and dahlias once danger of frost has passed.

Gaps in herbaceous borders are best filled with annual bedding at this stage in the season. One exception is anemones (e.g. Anemone coronaria), which take about three months to flower after planting. The rhizomes are best planted now, after an overnight soaking, 5cm (2in) deep in a suitably moist but free-draining soil or compost with lots of added leaf mould or organic matter.

It is not too late to direct sow a few fast growing, late-flowering hardy annuals such as Calendula, Godetia and Clarkia.

Let's hope this lovely weather continues  
so we can really enjoy our gardens.

Anything for next month's newsletter  
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