

May Newsletter 2024

Greatcombe

On **Sunday 5th May**, we will be visiting Greatcombe, at Holne, TQ13 7SP.

Described by visitors as “a truly beautiful garden with unusual plants and exciting use of colour, a garden to visit again and again. A real asset to the NGS, and fabulous home-made teas by the stream.” There is also a plant nursery and an artist’s studio.

Please contact Joseph on 0164 252377 if you are going.

Sherwood

The Garden Club April visit was to Sherwood, in Newton St Cyres, on a rare gloriously sunny afternoon. Once the home of the Quicks Cheese family but now in different ownership, this 23 acre garden is situated over two steep sided, remote wooded valleys. Life was springing into many of the trees, particularly the Beech and various Acers. Some azaleas were in full colour others just opening and there were several species of magnolia and camellia still in flower. Fabulous. Under the trees and shrubs there was a carpet of wood anemones, swaying in the breeze. It was a welcome and colourful break from the endless rainy days.

Pictures of the visit are on the website

www.bridfordandteignvalleygardenclub.co.uk/sherwood-house

Plant Sale

Jean Browning is holding a plant sale in aid of Hospicecare

Saturday May 11th 10am -1pm

Chudleigh Knighton village hall

Plants ,cake stall ,raffle

Summer Gathering

This year's Summer Gathering will be on Saturday
13th July

The competitions are as follows

The Denning-Kent Cup, a pot of flowering annuals

The Betty Shaw Cup, three stems of roses

The Muriel Wickland Rose Bowl, a flower
arrangement on the theme of "Riviera"

Horticulture Cup, a "Salad Bowl" selection of
vegetables

Christow Show

Our display for the Christow Show will be on the
theme of "Wild Garden"

Kennick Barn Open Garden 15th and 16th June

Saul and I are opening our garden as part of the National Garden Scheme and would be grateful for any offers of help with serving teas, providing cakes, parking cars etc on either day. Please contact me by email or phone if you can offer help.

Gardening Tips

Pray for some sunshine to get things growing!

Watch out for Lily beetle, they have been spotted in Bridford

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