

Bridford & Teign Valley Garden Club

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March Newsletter 2024

April Visit, "Sherwood"

On Tuesday 9th of April we are visiting "Sherwood" in Newton St Cyres. This is a garden of 23 acres including two steep wooded valleys, with spring bulbs, especially daffodils. There are also magnolias, camellias and other azaleas. Footwear suitable for uneven and wet ground is essential. The visit will start at 2.00pm. Please note there are no teas available at Sherwood House, you are welcome to take your own with you. Entrance to the garden is by minimum donation of £5.00 Full details of how to find Sherwood are on the club website Please contact Sarah Lyte if you are intending to go 01626 439678 <u>sarahmclyte@gmail.com</u>

March meeting Thursday 7th March 2pm

Peter Cantrill of Dayspring Plants, gave the last indoor presentation of the Garden Club winter season to a packed audience in the Bowden Room. Peter had brought with him about 50 different examples of Perennial plants, describing each, their flowering habit/time and preferred position/soil type. Several were new varieties just coming into the market. It was a very interesting talk much appreciated by the membership. The usual tea and biscuit at the end of the talk was postponed by everyone as they rushed to buy the plants that had taken their fancy but normal service resumed once purchases were secured.

Plant Sale

Jean Browning is holding a plant sale in aid of Hospicecare

<u>Saturday May 11th 10am -1pm</u>

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.

October Visit

The October visit is not to Hill House Honiton as stated on the printed programme but to **Hill House Nursery, Landscove TQ13 7LY**

Reminder:- Date Changes.

The visit to Sherwood House will now take place on <u>Tuesday 9th of April</u> <u>at 2.00pm</u>

The visit Idestone Barton will be on Friday 14th of June at 2.00pm

April Gardening Tips

- 1. Sow hardy annuals and wildflower seeds outdoors
- 2. Protect fruit blossom from late frosts
- 3. Tie-in climbing roses
- 4. Keep weeds under control
- 5. Feed shrubs and roses
- 6. Divide water lilies and bamboos

Let's hope for less rain and plenty of April sunshine.

For details of visits and address details please visit our website.

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