



Milford Gardeners' Club Newsletter

Hello everyone

I was so pleased that the out evening was well supported and hope it is a sign that you are feeling more confident about being out and that club activities can start to get going again. Many thanks to Jenny for stepping up to take the reins again whilst I've been crocked.

I'm hoping that if nothing changes regarding the Covid situation, we will be able to get back to normal meetings from September, obviously following community centre guidelines (and any government ones) regarding numbers. We have Marina Christopher booked, always a stimulating speaker.

In the meantime, if you would like an opportunity to meet up with club members just to socialise, we are having an informal picnic at the "secret" Meadow behind the Church, on **Wednesday 18th August 12.30 - 2.00 weather permitting.**

If you haven't yet found the Meadow, do come and discover it and see what we have been doing up there. If you don't fancy a picnic, just come and say hello. I will be there!! There are 4 bench seats but I suggest you bring a chair of your own if you want be sure of somewhere to sit.

To find it, follow the path alongside the back of the Church towards the main road and The Old House. At the far end of the hedge is a metal gate on the left, quite hidden from casual view!

I'm looking forward to the Wisley trip on September 8th though not sure how my stamina will be by then! Iris will send an email to all those going, the week before, with details of pick-up times etc.

In the meantime, enjoy the sunny patches between all the showers and I hope to see some of you at the Meadow.

Sue Crabb (Chair)

August 2021

Forthcoming events:

Wednesday 18th August

12.30-2pm

Picnic in Community Meadow

Wednesday 8th September

Coach trip to Wisley Flower Show

Wednesday 15th September

Late summer flowers and ornamental grasses *Marina Christopher*

Wednesday 20th October

The Winter Garden *Andy McIndoe*

Wednesday 17th November

Garden Design—making the most of your garden *Simon Goldsack, Holme Gardens*

Wednesday 15th December

Christmas social evening

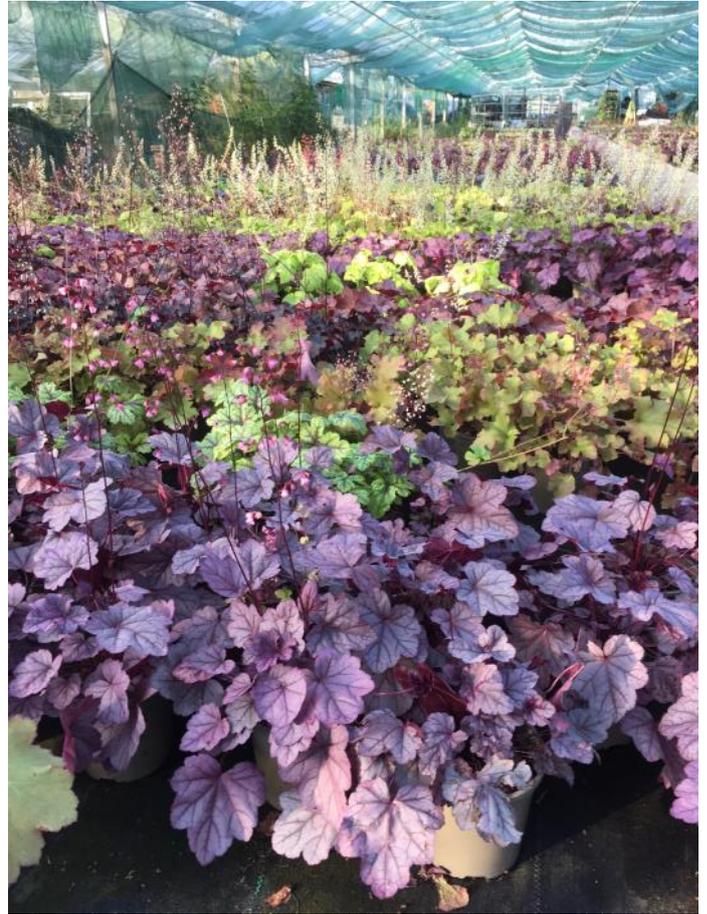
Club meetings are normally held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at **Milford Community Centre**, unless otherwise stated. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start. Refreshments available from 7pm.

Members' Out evening to Heucheraholics on Wednesday 21st July

As a real first meeting since early 2020, Jooles and Sean Burton made us all feel very welcome at their Nursery off the A337. I judged about 50 members turned up and the weather was perfect. We had a short introduction by Jooles followed by a general wander round the greenhouses. As usual for an 'out' evening, wine and drinks were served and a very BIG thank you to Ann and Richard Bickle who provided the wine and glasses (I am sorry I forgot to say anything on the night!)

It was lovely that so many of our members drove out to Boldre and supported the evening - it seems we have our Club back!

Jenny Spenser



Cambridge Botanic Garden



Beth Chatto's garden

Holiday 6-10 June 2022

I was pleasantly surprised that 28 people are prepared to risk coming away with me on another holiday (remember the Irish fiasco of 2020?). With this amount of interest I have booked 2 nights in Colchester and 2 nights in Cambridge with Angela coaches. I am in the process of booking garden visits; Beth Chatto, Peter Beales Roses and Cambridge Botanic Garden are already confirmed.

Once I have spoken again to Angela's and have a little more of the programme sorted, I will start to price up and ask for deposits. I will do this by our September meeting and also email all those on the interest list. No need to do anything at the moment, unless you have a complete change of heart!

Jenny Spenser