



Milford Gardeners' Club Newsletter

Hello Everyone

I hope this finds you well. It seems there are a number of bugs around including Covid right now. I do hope you are managing to dodge the germs and enjoy the current spell of sunshine.

I was disappointed not to attend the out evening (I had a horrid throat bug and didn't want to pass it on) but by all accounts it was an excellent evening and I know you were made very welcome and there were plants for sale at very good prices. Woodpeckers is open for the NGS on the last weekend in August, Saturday 31st and Sunday September 1st, so I intend to go and see what I missed. It will be open from 11-5 and they are offering teas!

I'm sorry we couldn't organise open gardens this year, but we only had 4 people including myself and Jenny. With the long spell of awful weather earlier in the summer, I think everyone's gardens were not at their best and as both Jenny and I had been unwell, I decided to let it drop this year. I know I struggled to find things for the Village Show.

I may try to fix a weekend around the 3rd week of June next year for open gardens rather than having ad hoc visiting as we did last year. A fixed date may work better. I'll discuss it with the committee and members who have previously opened (and may be prepared to do so again!) and see what the general feeling is.

We don't have a meeting this month but if the weather is dry and fair on **Wednesday August 21st** I'd like to invite you to join me for an informal picnic up at the Community Meadow. It's an opportunity to meet up with club members just to socialise from **12.30 - 2.00pm**

If you still 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 some 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!

That's all from me this month. Hope to see some of you at the Meadow but if not I will see you in September when we have Andy McIndoe coming to talk - one not to miss.

Sue Crabb, Chair

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Forthcoming meetings:

Wednesday 21st August
12.30 - 2pm

Picnic at Community Meadow

Wednesday 18th September
Beautiful English Gardens
Andy McIndoe

Wednesday 16th October
Wildlife in a village *Mike Read*

Wednesday 20th November
Camellias and their cultivation
Tom Clarke, Exbury Gardens

Wednesday 18th December
Christmas Social (afternoon)



Out evening at Woodpeckers

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

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