



# Milford Gardeners' Club Newsletter

**Hello everyone**

**June 2020**

Since our last newsletter things have moved on a bit. Garden centres are now open. Hilliers Gardens, Exbury, Kingston Lacey and Mottisfont have now reopened although you have to book a time slot in advance, but there are opportunities out there to get further afield and visit some favourite places if you are inclined to.

## Monthly Meetings

**All meetings have been cancelled until further notice....**

Whilst the lockdown has been eased a bit, with a lot of our members over 70 like myself, I think we are remaining cautious and are probably wise to be so for now.

Closer to home, there is much to see in the village. The network of footpaths leading all ways from the Church takes you past some great front gardens as does the walk along Kivernell Road towards the cliff top.

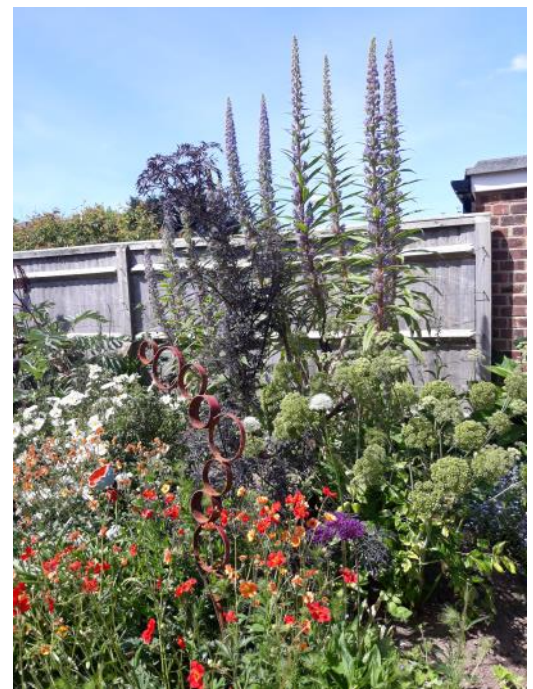
I've been struck by how lovely hedges are looking, all neatly trimmed, and I've seen fabulous roses scrambling up a wall in Kitwalls Lane, not to mention roses in gardens through Swallow Drive and a lovely display of white roses from one of our members, along a wall just up from Westover House (see right). I've seen purple hebes in full bloom, covered with bees. Try a village walk for a change instead of heading for the clifftop! You will be amazed at how much there is to see.



*Yvette Frost*

Richard and Anne Bickle have been keeping busy. Like Kim and Derek Durham, who we saluted last month for selling plants from their gate and raising a goodly sum for NHS charities, Richard and Anne had two afternoons where they sold plants from their gate. They have always supplied the plant fair stall with vegetable and bedding plants and they raised a great total of £120 which has been donated to New Forest Sewing for the NHS. Not only that, but Richard has continued to mow the Copse by the bridge, so well done and a big thank you to both of them.

If you are wondering how to hear about these pop-up plant sales, you need to join our google group. We now have 52 members on it, just over a third of our current total membership. If you'd like to join, please email Clare on [milfordgardeners@gmail.com](mailto:milfordgardeners@gmail.com) and she will add you to the group. To email group members, please use [milfordgardenersclub@googlegroups.com](mailto:milfordgardenersclub@googlegroups.com).



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I'm pleased to say that we are starting to build up pictures of your gardens on the gallery (a small selection below and overleaf) but so far from only about 10 people! So come on, I'm sure there are some lovely gardens out there so get your phones or iPads out and get snapping! Please include a caption with your photos and send to [milfordgardeners@gmail.com](mailto:milfordgardeners@gmail.com). Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far.

That's about it for this month from me. Stay safe and happy gardening. I'm looking forward to some rain this week but only if it doesn't stay round for too long!

*Sue Crabb – Chair*



*Ann Jenks*



*Judith Holliday*



*Kim and Derek Durham*



*Sheila Dence*



*Wendy Thomas*



*Lesley Boyt*