Hello everyone …

The weather continues to challenge us but view gardening in these extremes of climate as a problem solving exercise for your brain and all will be well!

I'm sorry that last month's talk was such a disappointment. We have had Jeanette twice previously and she gave a competent, well-illustrated talk both times. We came to the conclusion that she has become unwell and should not have come, with all the travelling involved.

Unfortunately things went from bad to worse as her car wouldn't start and Jacqui and I were with her until 11.00pm trying to help her contact the AA which she was struggling with. Eventually the car had to be left until the following day and a taxi came to take her to Broadstone where she was staying with friends! Enough said.

We were so lucky with the weather for the plant fair which was a great success. One of the stallholders told me that there was almost a stampede to the club stall at 8.00am! All the bargain hunters I guess. We made a net profit of £1353, a little down on previous years but still a substantial amount for our charities.

I'm hoping the weather will be kind next weekend, Sunday 14th June, when my garden will be open to raise funds for Oakhaven hospice. Details below.

I'm including some advance information about our out evening in July when we are going to the Countryside Education Trust at Beaulieu. Thanks to Jenny for organising this, also for running the June meeting as I am unable to be there. It gives her a chance to keep her hand in and I hope it's a smooth run this month!

Hoping to see lots of you at my open event, that's if there's anything left to view after strong winds and rain, but we are all in the same boat so we can compare notes on what is surviving the best!

Sue Crabb, Chair

June 2026

Forthcoming meetings:

Wednesday 17th June
Plants and landscapes of the Western Cape *Ben Turner*

Wednesday 15th July
Out evening - Countryside Education Trust, Beaulieu

Wednesday 16th September
Scotland's western islands
Mike Read

Wednesday 21st October
A brief history of garden design - 4000 years in 60 minutes
Helen Milne

Wednesday 18th November
Edibles outside the vegetable plot *Roger Hirons*

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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Open garden in aid of Oakhaven

Sue Crabb is holding a fund raising tea on Sunday, June 14th between 2.00 and 5.00pm, in aid of Oakhaven Hospice.

Come to her garden for tea or coffee and cake and to say hello while supporting a very good cause.

Only £5.00 to come in and there will be a raffle and plants for sale so bring your cash!

3 Danestream Close, opposite the tennis club in Milford on Sea.

First prize in my raffle! >>>>>

Out evening - 15th July

The July meeting is on 15th at the Countryside EducationTrust (CET) at Beaulieu starting at 6.30pm with refreshments and a chat from a staff member.

The car parks open for visitors from about 6.15pm with committee getting there by 6pm. All members and their guests (£5) are welcome.

We have been to the Trust about 15 years ago when they were recipients of our charity money. Steve Barnard also came to the Plant Fair last month where he sold some unusual cornflowers and some vegetables.