

Saffron Walden Horticultural Society

NEWSLETTER

Summer 2018

2018 DATES FOR YOU DIARY

Tuesday June 5th
7.00 pm Cheese & Wine
Evening at Doreen
Townley's 49 Ashdon
Rd.

2018 Show Dates

Summer Show SUNDAY
17th June

Autumn Show SUNDAY
23RD September

Talks:

Tuesday 2nd October
Talk by Steve Elstub,
Head Gardener at Clare
College Cambridge

November 6th
Talk on Garden Birds &
how gardeners can help
them by Glyn Evans

Dec. 4th A.G.M. followed
by a Social Evening.

Plant at our Shows

There is a stall at every show selling members' surplus plants and produce.

Please contact on Kate 01763 838754 1 week before the Show if you have any plants that need collecting.

Find us on 

Welcome to the Summer Newsletter.

We had a really good Spring Show with exhibitor numbers up on last year with 2 Junior exhibitors. We had a total of 136 vases of Daffodils, we are hoping that the Summer Show will be just as successful, but only with your help.

Now to look forward to the Summer Show on **Sunday 17th June 2018** with the hope that the Roses will be at their best for the Show and not "you should have seen them last week".

Hopefully some of us who purchased Rose Bushes at the talk by Beales Roses in March will have some flowers to enter.

We hope that we have some warm weather and not too much rain, I think we have really had enough this Spring.

Remember, we do have a class for Novices (Class 11) in the Rose Section, so if you have a Rose which is nice and fresh, cut it and bring it along.

Have a look at the Schedule, I'm sure most of you have something that you could bring along, or have a go at the Cookery classes or the photography section. There is something for everyone.

The one thing that we really do need is volunteers to help us set up the Show on **Saturday 16th June** from **5.30 pm to approx. 6.15 pm** and also to help in any way during Show day, especially with helping out with the catering and help in the afternoon when we serve Tea and Cake to our visitors. If you are able to help in any way, please give me (Kate) a ring on 01763 838754.

May we make one request that if you know that you are going to exhibit please can you either ring me or email me or send your entry form to me, even if you only know some of the classes that you wish to enter, it is much easier to cross out classes than add them on the day of the Show, All the details are in the back of the Handbook. Thank you. Kate

OUTINGS – We have had one very successful outing on the 5th May, when we visited the RHS Hyde Hall Gardens, which included a Craft Fair in the Gardens and we also enjoyed a Cream Tea.

There are 2 more outings this year, one on **Wednesday 6th June** to Peter Beales Roses and Wyken vineyard and Garden and the other on **Wednesday 4th July**, with a visit Wisbech and the famous Rose Fair in the church and town as well as a visit to Elgoods of Wisbech Brewery and Peckover House and Gardens.

If you want to come on the June and July outing, please can you

contact Jackie as soon as possible,
email jackiedh@uwclub.net or tel. 01799 521221
full details in the Handbook

NEW DATA PROTECTION ACT COMING INTO FORCE AT THE END OF MAY.

As I am sure most of you are aware that a new Data Protection Act is coming into force on 25th May 2018 to make sure that members personal information is secure and is not available to third parties. The Committee have decided to adopt the wording on the attached document which we trust will meet with your approval.

BI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS 2019

We are progressing with plans for our Celebrations next year.

The Society Daffodil Bulb - The Committee have been growing 2 varieties of unnamed seedling Daffodil Bulbs, from a specialist grower. We hope to be able to name one of the bulbs "Saffron Celebrations". The bulbs flowered for the Spring Show and some of you saw them. We have chosen the one we want to name and hope that they will be on sale or can be ordered at the Autumn Show, with a view to having a special class for them at the 2019 Spring Show.

There are already 2019 Society Calendars on Sale at all the meetings and Shows this year. The Calendar consists of a series of drawings by our Chairman - Doreen Townley.

Cost is £6.00 each or 2 for £10.00

We also have on sale at the Shows and talks at a cost of £1.00 each some souvenir pens with the name of the Society and dates on the barrel of the pen, so we hope that you will support the Society by purchasing some Calendars.

Following the request in a previous Newsletter for news on any of the Society's Green and White China, we now have a few pieces that will be on show in our exhibition at the Saffron Walden Museum.

Special Talk for 2019. We are pleased to inform you that we have Nick Hamilton coming in March 2019 to give a talk on his father Geoff Hamilton. This will be open to the general public at a cost of £10.00 or £5.00 for Society members. This will be held in the Bowls Club and as numbers are limited, we will be issuing tickets, so if you would like to come or know someone who would like to come, please reserve your tickets as soon as possible.

Membership

Just a reminder, if you haven't paid your 2018 subs and still wish to receive information about the Society, especially as in less than a year's time there will be events to celebrate the Bi-Centennial of the Society, please send your subscriptions to Charlotte Heales our new Membership Secretary Thank you.