



**Saffron Walden
Horticultural Society**

**SUMMER ROSE
&
FLORAL SHOW**

Sunday 14th June

Sewards End Village Hall
Radwinter Road, Sewards End CB10 2LG

Open to the public from 2:00 pm
Free Entry
Plant Stall, Raffle & Refreshments

For further information, including how to enter your
flowers, fruit, veg, cakes and much much more
in the show, visit our website
www.swhortsoc.org.uk
or contact Liz Livermore on
07890 463539

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Dear Member,

Your roses are probably looking at least as good as mine! And early on the morning of Sunday 14th I'll be out in the garden choosing the best to take to the Show in Swards End. But more importantly, by the evening of Wednesday 10th I'll have looked down the list of all the different things you can take to the show (officially known as the Schedule of Classes) and emailed Liz Livermore (liz.livermore@gmail.com) a list of numbers to let her know what I'll be bringing with me.

You'll find the full Schedule of Classes on the website at www.swhortsoc.org.uk. Have look at all the flowers (not just roses!), fruit, vegetables, domestic and artistic things you can bring along.

An afternoon out at the Show is great - flowers, tea, cakes, chat - and it's even better when you're a bit more involved.

Members' Garden Party **Sunday 16th August 2:00 to 5:00 pm**

Charlotte is once again inviting us to her lovely garden in Radwinter to enjoy a relaxing strawberry tea in the barn after a stroll around the herbaceous planting, the greenhouse, the raised beds with soft fruit, the wildflower meadow, the orchard and the spring-fed pond.



It's a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet other members. To give us a rough idea of numbers for catering, please could you email me (hilary@mikehibbs.net) to let me know if you'll be coming and how many of you. But if you forget, you can still just turn up on the day. There will be plenty of parking in the field next door. The full address is Lower House Farm, Water Lane, Radwinter CB10 2TX

SUMMER OUTING TO THE GARDENS OF **ANGLESEY ABBEY**

Sunday 28th June, 10:30 am



There are still a couple of places on the guided tour of the gardens, so if you would like to join us, please email our Chairman, David Livermore, for full details (david.g.livermore@gmail.com) including transport arrangements. Advance booking is essential, so please could you let David know by Saturday 20th June at the latest.

We meet in the Reception Area at the entrance to Anglesey Abbey from 10:30, and the tour proper will start at 11:00 and last about an hour and a half. The tour itself is free, and we can probably arrange entrance to the grounds for those who are not members of either the National Trust or the RHS.

A REMINDER OF DATES FOR THIS YEAR

Autumn Flower and Produce Show

Sunday 13th September at Swards End Village Hall

The biggest show of the year because the flowers are still blooming and the veg are at their best!

Alpine Flowers of the Upper Engadine

Monday 14th September, 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:45)

At the Saffron Community Link

Liz Livermore's illustrated talk will take us through some of the spectacular scenery of the Upper Engadine in SE Switzerland with its outstanding range of alpine flowers, from edelweiss, gentians, saxifragas and primroses to snowbells, glacier crowfoot, martagon lilies and various orchids

Low Impact Gardens & Long-Term Gains in a Changing Climate

Monday 19th October, 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:45)

At the Saffron Community Link

Jacq and Wills Landscapes is an award-winning family run business designing and maintaining gardens in and around Saffron Walden. They will be sharing their expertise in creating sustainable, manageable and enjoyable gardens suitable for local conditions.

Christmas Social and AGM

Monday 30th November, 6:45 pm at the Saffron Community Link

Mince pies and planning for 2027...

Entry to Saffron Walden Horticultural Society Shows is free.

Entry to talks organised by the Society is £2 for members, £5 for non-members.

AND PLANS FOR 2027...

Horticultural Society Shows

We are planning three Shows for 2027, and already have a date for the always-popular **Spring Daffodil and Floral Show** - Sunday 21st March 2027 at Swards End Village Hall.

The **Summer Rose and Floral Show** will be in June, and the

Autumn Flower and Produce Show will be in September - both dates to be announced.

Horticultural Talks at the Saffron Community Link

There will be two pre-season talks, one each in March and April, and two talks in the Autumn, in September and October. Speakers and topics to be confirmed later this year.

Some Open Gardens in and around Saffron Walden

Saturday 13th June 11:00 to 16:00

Open Garden at Brocton Farmhouse, Rook End Lane, Debden CB11 3LR

ngs.org.uk/gardens/broctons-farmhouse-cb1/

Sunday 21st June 13:00 to 17:00

Manuden Village Open Gardens with Car Show and Beekeeping Demonstration

manuden.org.uk/manuden-open-gardens.asp

Sunday 28th June 14:00 to 18:00

Berden Open Gardens with Morris dancing and vintage bus rides

www.bishopstortfordtc.gov.uk/what-do/events/berden-open-gardens

That's all for now, and we look forward to seeing you at the Show on Sunday 14th June - if you haven't collected your membership card yet it will be available there. It entitles you to a 10% discount at Saffron Walden Garden Centre in Wimbish and at Springwell Nursery and Garden Centre in Little Chesterford.

With best wishes from your Membership Secretary,

Hilary Shibata