



Hordle Gardening Club Newsletter

July 2024

Hello Everyone...

The summer has arrived!... Well for a day at least, and if we are lucky so may get more beautiful sunny days through August and September.

You may have already seen this, but Gardeners World have a great article on line this month; Five ways to boost your garden in August, so I thought it was worth sharing.

- 1) *Plant up more containers—This will create a useful splash of colour on the patio or stood in a gap in the boarder.*
- 2) *Deadhead plants—Any summer perennials, as this will keep them flowering into the autumn.*
- 3) *Care for containers—They will be packed full of roots, so need even more feeding and watering to keep them looking strong and healthy.*
- 4) *Cut back spent plants—Such as Aстранtia, pulmonaria, floppy hardy geraniums.*
- 5) *Fill seasonal gaps—to be honest this is closely linked to number 1, so it might only be four ways but put containers of flowering plants in to gaps.*

It's also a great time to take cuttings and start to collect seed to increase for plant stock.

Friday 26th July—Members closed show

I'm so excited about seeing all your wonderful exhibits next Friday at our show.

We can't do it without you, so please do enter as much as you can and this meeting is a great opportunity to see what we all grow and get hints and tips from fellow members.

We will be doing tea, coffee and cake like last year as the judging takes place. This will be £1, so please bring your pennies along.

Claire is organising a qui for when the judging to taking place.

Club meetings are generally held on the 4th Friday of the month, doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start, at the Hordle Pavilion.

Diary Dates

Friday 26th July - Closed show
(Members only)

Friday 2nd Aug—BBQ
The annual BBQ is back, £5 per ticket

Sat 31st Aug—Hordle Summer Fair

Friday 27th September - talk
'Hanging baskets, tubs and maintenance' with Ray Broughton

Friday 25th October - talk
'How to grow roses successfully' with Glenn Duggen

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Please get your completed forms back to Paula by next Wed
24th July at the latest

Members open gardens

A massive thank you to all our members that have opened their gardens during June and July. So many of you have said how enjoyable this is as you get a chance to have a chat while looking around at what is being grown.

Its not over yet! n August we have the following:

Beth	Tue 6th Aug 18:00 - 20:00
Alan	Fri 9th Aug 14:00-16:00
Lorraine	Fri 16th Aug 17:00 - 19:00
	Sat 17th Aug 10:00 - 12:30
Steph	Sat 24th Aug 16:00 - 19:00

We only ask you to provide tea/coffee at 50p and for funds raised to go to the club. Addresses will be emailed closer to the time, please do go along and support.

Summer BBQ—Fri 2nd Aug

Tickets will be the normal £5 per person, and the sign up sheet will be available in the July meeting.

We will also have the normal raffle, and quiz . You will need to bring your own drink, but the social bar will be open on the night so you could pop in a get a cheeky beer! Or wine!

You can bring guest's, and please do put their name down at the same time. **As always, please pay when you put your names down**

Hordle summer fair—Saturday 31st Aug

The summer fair is going ahead at Hordle Pavillion on Sat 31st Aug. We need as many plants and good quality garden equipment as possible to sell and raise the profile of our wonderful club.

Paula will be doing her tray gardens for the children which is always popular, along side the plant stall we do too.

I am coming back from holiday that day, so can I please ask for your support to help my lovely committee,... We need volunteers, to help us set up, man the stall through the day, and pack up at the end of the day, all help will be very welcomed.

What Happens at our Meetings

Doors open at 7pm with the talk starting promptly at 7.30pm. Time for you to look at the plant sale table and buy your raffle ticket/s.

Following the talk **coffee/tea** will be served (50p please) and the Raffle drawn. Donations of raffle prizes are always gratefully received.

We have various **gardening magazines** available for you to take - usually in front of the bar shutters. Keep an eye out here for other items.

Information Board

Check out the club's black Information Board which will show upcoming trips and event details, and the relevant booking sheets on clipboards.

Plant Sales Table

Your donations of plants for the sales table will be very welcome each month we have a speaker. Funds raised contribute towards our talks and events. Please name your plants if you know what they are... we will have labels available at each meeting.

Raffle Table

We have a raffle table at every meeting with a speaker, so remember to buy a few tickets. Your contributions of raffle prizes are always very welcome too.

All monies raised go to club funds and towards future events and trips.