

Charlton Horethorne & District Gardening Club

Programme for 2022



February 8th – AGM and Dinner – Elect the Committee members for this year whilst enjoying a two-course home cooked dinner with fab desserts and a glass of wine included. A fun quiz to complete the evening.

March 15th - Geoff Dixon – An informative and thought provoking talk highlighting the effects and implications of climate change on our own gardens, farming in the UK and across the globe.

April 8th – Castle Gardens Shopping Evening – A short, informal talk in the Butterfly House, followed by the opportunity to browse and shop exclusively with an enticing 25% discount. 6.30pm start.

May 10th – Paula Carnell – Paula is a Beekeeper managing the bees at The Newt in Somerset. She was originally a talented artist, but was beset by ill health. Her life was turned by love of beekeeping and herbs. Find out how and why.

June 7th – Open Garden – An opportunity to visit Gardening Club member's garden of Bapsy Gooding. A large plot featuring different areas to explore.

June 22nd – Wisley Gardens – A visit to these famous gardens in Surrey. Free entry to the gardens as we are RHS affiliated. Coach fare depending on numbers. (50 people needed to make coach viable.)

July 17th – Garden Party – A joint venture at the homes of Kate & Geoff McHugh and their neighbours Dorian & John Evered. Let's hope the sun shines after last years' abysmal weather!

August 27th – Charlton Horethorne Village Show – An opportunity to show off your growing, cooking, preserving, painting, photographic & crafting skills. Discover how talented your fellow villagers are! *An entry fee of just £1 is needed for exhibitors irrespective of number of entries. Show schedules are available from our Village Shop prior to the show.*

September 23rd – Sally Nex – Sally is a local food and garden writer who regularly contributes to Gardener's World and other publications. She will share tips on using surplus produce from your gardens.

October 11th – Wren Franklin – Ryewater Nursery near Sherborne is home to 100 acres of wildlife gardens and nature reserve with much of the wildlife value having been created over the past 40 years. Wren will look at the value of gardens for wildlife, appreciating native species, some practical examples of wildflower meadow, making and getting the best out of hedges and edges. Lots of tips and tricks for making beautiful wildlife filled gardens.

- Annual Membership to the Gardening Club is still just £7.00
- Non-members are welcome to any talk for a £3.00 fee
- All are welcome – encouraged! - to take part in the Summer Show, whether or not they are a member.
- Membership Secretary Jane Watkins 01963 220058 or email watkinsjane@outlook.com