



UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

GARDEN/VISITS Group – Meeting held on 12th June 2013

Sandra opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. In all 38 attended. She explained where our monthly £1 went to – rent, speakers, stationary, computer supplies and books on our visits. Everyone seemed happy about the expenditure. She also explained that we were closed to new members and there was a waiting list, Everyone was encouraged to complete a personal details form for our records – a health and safety thing in case of accidents!

Reports since our last meeting –

- Visit to Chelsea was wonderful. A truly amazing experience.*
- Attenborough Flower festival – about 16 of us enjoyed the visit and the coffee and cake was deservedly mentioned – thanks to Joy for organising it.*
- Dunham Massey – poor weather meant the gardens were not at their best but it was worth a visit*
- Chatsworth and Lea gardens – again foul weather but the gardens were lovely*
- Felley Priory – the bluebell walk was very good and pretty even if it was 3 weeks late!*

Barbara Selwoods daughter helped to create the Brackenhurst display at Chelsea – it did win a gold medal! Clare has also created a @Bee friendly display on the Thackerys Lane roundabout if anyone visits the area. We have invited Clare to speak at our September meeting.

Weekend 8/9th June – Open gardens in Beeston and Chilwell, Cossall and The Park. It is also National Garden Weekend – so plenty for folk to visit and enjoy.

16th June – Gardeners World Live at the NEC

24th June – Visit to Whitwick Manor with Probus. Contact Sheila Chambers

28th June – our visit to Ely Cathedral Flower show. Meet at (am near Jaguar pub.

7th August – visit to Cathy Browns garden. Deposits taken but full balance at our next meeting. Coarch - £12 plus £4.50 entrance. Optional extras – tour -£1, Demonstration – £4, Tea and cake -£3.



JULY

Sat/Sun July 6th/7th **WISLEY & KEW GARDENS** - £103 half board
Swiftsure Travel 08000190047 for information

Tues July 9th **GUIDED WALK TRENT COLLEGE ARBORETUM –**
6:30pm £2.50 Details from Barbara Selwood

Wed July 10th **GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am**

Sun July 14th **PICNIC IN THE PARK –** at the Millenium Garden, Nottingham University
12:00 to 3:00pm Newstead Brass Band, activities. Parking available.
Free Bring a picnic

Wed July 17th **GARDEN VISIT – FUSCHIA VIEW –** Winster Avenue, Carlton
2pm £4.50 Plants for sale.

Thurs July 18th **FELIX COACHES - NUNNINGTON HALL, Yorkshire**
£16.80 + entrance £6.25 – non NT members

Sun July 21st **HEMLOCK GARDEN GROUP –** Waddesdon Manor, Aylesbury
£13 House and garden, Garden £6 (NT members free) £13.50 coach

Sun July 21st **LADY BAY GARDENS** open to the public

AUGUST



Wed Aug 7th

KATHY BROWN'S GARDEN VISIT

Coach £12 +Entrance £4.50

Optional extras: Tour £1, Demonstration £4, Tea & Cake £3

4.5 acres of gardens including ornamental grasses, clematis, cottage, edible flower borders, containers etc.

Village interesting so possibly going earlier to have a look round and coffee.

Sun Aug 18th

'SUMMER AT ITS BEST' – NGS - University campus gardens 1:30 – 5:00

Walking tours, refreshments, plant sales. Free Parking at Millenium Garden
£3 for charity - NGS, Dogs on leads

Sat/Sun Aug 24/25th

THE COTTAGE , Plant Lane, Old Sawley – Open Garden
+ Old Sawley Church Flower Festival

SEPT



Sat Sept 7th

SUTTON BONINGTON ARBORETUM & CAMPUS – 2pm-5pm

Friends of the University

Collection of 300 trees. Refreshments available. Free Parking £3 donation

Sun Sept 15th

HEMLOCK GARDEN GROUP - Renishaw Hall & Gardens

Fri Sept 20th

BAT WALK with expert Paul Stone

Friends of the University

Meet at Lakeside Pavilion, Highfields Park at 7:30pm

Please wear appropriate footwear, bring a torch and insect repellent

Limited numbers. Phone 07825753993 to book.