

GARDEN/VISITS GROUP
Meeting held on 13th April 2016

*Sandra welcomed everyone.
43 people attended.*

We started the meeting by watching the second half of the DVD about the Eden Project. We all enjoyed it and found it really interesting.

No members went to the Friends of University Park, March talk about Jesse Boot and the Highfields Estate.

Quite a number of people went to the cinema to see 'Painting the Modern Garden'. Everyone agreed that it was well worth seeing; a mixture of gardens and art.

Reminder that May's Gardeners' World will have the 2 for 1 booklet with entrances to different gardens.

Sandra told us about the 'Doggy Days' at the National Botanical Gardens in Cardiff. She was not advocating that we took dogs on our visit there in June!!

Cossall Village Open Gardens will (unfortunately for those going to Wales) be on June 5th.

Lucy still had last minute availability for the Elgar and Spetchley Gardens trip. If anyone was interested they need to contact Lucy direct.

There is still availability for trips with the Hemlock Garden Group. The lists were opened at the end of the meeting and deposits taken.

Sandra met with the members going on the weekend to Wales at the end of the meeting. She explained that credit cards would no longer be accepted for the visits so she requested that people put cash in the envelopes she has provided

APRIL



- Wed April 13th** **GARDEN VISITS MEETING** – 10am ‘The Eden Project’ Video Pt 2
- Thurs April 14th** **ELGAR’S BIRTHPLACE & SPLETCHLEY PARK** – U3A trip
£45 (inc lunch) Contact Lucy Beardsley Phone: 9397230
- Sat April 16th** **SKILLS TRIP KEW GARDENS** – Bluebells £39
- Sun April 17th** **DAFFODIL SUNDAY** at Felley Priory. Also a Plant Fair
£5, proceeds to NGS. Phone: 07763189771
- Sun April 24th** **SKILLS HARROGATE FLOWER SHOW** - £36
- Tues April 26th** **WENTWORTH GARDENS – HEMLOCK GARDEN GROUP**
Coach £12 Entrance 75p

MAY



- Sat May 7th** **FRIENDS OF UNIVERSITY PARK – MEDICINAL PLANT WALK**
10am-12:30pm Join Charles Powell an experienced Medical
Herbalist.
Meet at the main visitor’s carpark on Cut Through Lane at 9:45am.
£2 on the day. Pre-booking essential Phone 07825 753993
- Wed May 11th** **GARDEN VISITS MEETING** – 10am
- Thurs May 26th** **WOLLATON TRAVEL** – Chelsea 3:30-8pm £63.50
- Thurs May 26th** **WESTONBURY MILL WATER GARDENS** – Pembridge, Hereford
HEMLOCK GDN GROUP Coach £14.30 Entrance £5
- May 28th–Sept 4th** **POPPIES AT LINCOLN** – Some of the poppies from the Tower
of London display will be in Lincoln during this period

JUNE



Fri-Sun June 3rd-5th TRIP TO WALES – Park Inn by Radisson, Cardiff North
Depart 9:15 Lace Road, Beeston
Visiting on outward journey - Dyffern Gardens – NT or £6.50
Visiting on Saturday - St Fagins & Botanical Gardens adm included
Visiting on homeward journey – Hidcote – NT or £9.45
- Kiftsgate £7.50
Total £23.50 payable on the bus.

Sun June 5th COSSALL OPEN GARDENS

Tues June 7th FRIENDS OF UNIVERSITY PARK – GUIDED WALK
Professor John Beckett leads a 1.5 – 2 hour circular walk from the Trent Building via Florence Boot Hall, Hugh Stewart Hall and The Downs. Meet in the Quad of the Trent Building. Free
To book Phone 07825 753993

Wed June 8th GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am

Sat/Sun June 11th-12th BEESTON & CHILWELL OPEN GARDENS

Sun June 19th SOUTHWELL OPEN GARDENS - £1 for plant fair, £6 joint with gardens. Trip by public bus or car for those who prefer to drive.

Thurs June 23rd CASTLE HOWARD & YORK FLOWER FESTIVAL
HEMLOCK GARDEN GROUP Coach £14.30 Entrance £13.50

Sun June 26th FRIENDS OF UNIVERSITY PARK ‘PICNIC IN THE PARK’
Live music from Newstead Brass Band and family activities. In The Millennium Garden. Free. Bring a picnic, parking available

JULY



Fri July 1st VIV’S OPEN GARDEN – Wollaton Road, 2pm-4pm

Mon July 4th LINCOLN – trip by train to see the poppies originally displayed in London. Leaving Nottingham round 10:30am, times to be confirmed later.

Wed July 13th GARDEN VISITS MEETING -10am

Fri July 22nd WOLLATON TRAVEL – Tatton Park Flower Show £43



AUGUST

Sat Aug 6th

NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM, Alrewas, Staffordshire & Plant Hunters' Fair, 150 acres of wooded park land. Ceremonies held daily at 11am in the chapel
Depart 9:15am Return 3:30pm. Cost approx. £13

Wed Aug 10th

GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am

Sun Aug 21st

FRIENDS OF UNIVERSITY PARK – 'Summer Spectacular'
NGS Millennium Garden, Walled Garden, Jekyll Garden.
Free bus tours, plant sales, mini walking tours and refreshments
£3 charity donation. Parking at the Millennium Garden.



SEPTEMBER

Sun Sept 11th

PLANT HUNTERS' FAIR – Weston Park, Shifnal, Shropshire
10am-4pm
£2.50 Fair and gardens

Wed Sept 14th

GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am

Sun Sept 25th

MALVERN AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW – U3A Trip
£39 includes coach travel and entrance. Contact Lucy Beardsley

Wed Sept 28th

TRENTHAM GARDENS – HEMLOCK GARDEN GROUP
Coach £12.40 Entrance £8