



**GARDEN/VISITS GROUP**  
**Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

*Sandra welcomed everyone including two new members, Pam and Brenda. 35 people attended.*

*Sandra is still working on getting a speaker; waiting for two responses and following up on Barbara's daughter. When asked the group were happy to pay an extra £1 for the meeting with a speaker.*

*Sandra shared information about a trip advertised in The Guardian newspaper for the Nice Carnival and Menton Lemon Festival Eurostar in February next year. Viv and Norma had been on a similar trip this year and really enjoyed it. For information phone 03303336760, Quote NIC 25 JUN 16 GUA.*

*Beeston/Chilwell Garden Trail: enjoyed by those who went. Saturday was the better day weather wise. There was more music this year with three choirs, a lot of work was put into them and all for charity so worth visiting. Viv mentioned one person who had interesting information about the history of gardens and possibly a speaker. She agreed to pass his number onto Sandra.*

*Gonalston open gardens were recommended to Sandra so perhaps next year.*

*Lady Bay Gardens: Margaret had a good afternoon, lots of walking and some interesting houses such as the clock maker's.*

*Viv's Open Garden: – a lovely afternoon with cakes! Many thanks to Viv for her hospitality. The rain mainly held off till people left. A donation will be made for a charity of Viv's choice. Viv thanked the group.*

*Lincoln: an interesting day, not comparable with London but worth seeing how the poppies were positioned down the wall. Looking down from the wall there was a tremendous view. The weather was lovely and 18 people went, an enjoyable day. Lincoln was one of two places in the country exhibiting the poppies. Two more places will host them next year and then they will be a permanent display at the War Memorial.*

*The USA trip to the Autumn Malvern Flower Show has been cancelled.*

*Viv and Norma had visited Barnsdale Gardens and Norma reported back that it was much improved from a previous visit. Might be a possible visit for the group with Gates Garden Centre at Cold Overton in the future.*

*Sandra was intrigued by Rhubarb Farm at Langwith in the yellow book. It supports disadvantaged people. Jane told us that they were considering a speaker for Hemlock Garden Club. Sandra also had been in contact with Jenny Street to make similar enquiries and wondered about a visit.*

*Barbara had brought in booklets with information about the Heritage Open Days. She recommended The Restoration Ramble, Toton Fields Walk, The murals at Bilborough and some of the allotments e.g. Grove Avenue. Book early.*

*RHS show at Chatsworth 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Tickets £26 RHS members in advance, £32 in advance and £39 on the day. Sandra thinks it might be best to go with Wollaton Travel.*

*National Memorial Arboretum – money (£13) collected at end of session. You choose what you would like to do when you are there.*



## JULY

- Wed July 13<sup>th</sup>**      **GARDEN VISITS MEETING -10am**
- Sun July 17<sup>th</sup>**      **ARTISAN FLORAL MARKET – Haddon Hall    £2.50    10am**  
Outdoor stalls. Limited car parking
- Sun July 17<sup>th</sup>**      **STRAWBERRY FAIR – Old Church Tower, Bramcote 1pm-4pm**
- Wed July 20<sup>th</sup>**      **BARDILL'S - Tatton Park Flower Show**
- Fri July 22<sup>nd</sup>**      **WOLLATON TRAVEL – Tatton Park Flower Show £43**
- Fri July 29<sup>th</sup>**      **HARDY PLANT SOCIETY – Wollaton Walled Gardens 6pm**  
Refreshments



## AUGUST

- Sat Aug 6<sup>th</sup>**      **NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM, Alrewas, Staffordshire**  
& Plant Hunters' Fair, 150 acres of wooded park land.  
Ceremonies held daily at 11am in the chapel  
Depart **9:30am Bramcote Park**. Return 3:30pm. Cost £13  
Spaces
- Wed Aug 10<sup>th</sup>**      **GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am**
- Sat&Sun Aug 13<sup>th</sup>&14<sup>th</sup>** **NOTTM & NOTTS FUSCHIA SHOW – Attenborough**  
Village Hall. Sat - 1:30-5pm Sun – 9am-4pm
- Thurs-Sun Aug 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>** **SOUTHPORT FLOWER SHOW - £23**
- Sun Aug 21<sup>st</sup>**      **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.
- Sat-Tues Aug 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>** **SAWLEY ALL SAINTS CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL**  
Sat – 10am-6pm; 7:30pm LE Silver Prize Band Concert  
Sun – 12-5pm;  
Mon – 10am – 6pm; 3pm Old Park Farm Dog Display Team  
Tues – 10am – 3:30pm





## SEPTEMBER

**Sat Sept 10<sup>th</sup>**

**WOODTHORPE GRANGE – Grow Your Own 10am – 5pm**

**Sun Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wed Sept 14<sup>th</sup>**

**GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am**

**Wed Sept 28<sup>th</sup>**

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



## OCTOBER

**Sat Oct 8<sup>th</sup>**

**FRIENDS OF UNIVERSITY PARK – Fungus Foray**  
A guided walk led by fungus expert Lee Scudder 10am-12noon  
Meet at Main Visitors' Car Park, Cut Through Lane.  
Limited numbers. Booking essential, call 07825 753993

**Wed Oct 12<sup>th</sup>**

**GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am**

