

## UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

### GARDEN/VISITS Group – Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013

*Sandra welcomed everyone and wishes them a Happy New Year.*

*35 people attended, and there were 3 new members – Kate, Elaine and Collette.*

*The Guild Room has been pre-booked for February and March so we shall be back in the smaller room or possibly the church hall for the monthly meetings.*

*Mike Willars – the tree specialist willing to give a talk with slides has been booked for April when we will be in the larger room.*

*Sandra has received a thank you card from Sue Cotton. It was a thank you for our contribution to the December extravaganza.*

*Next Month we will be taking deposits –£10 for our trip to Ely and sorting out the visit to Cathy Brown's garden later in the year*

*The Hemlock garden club is meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> Jan. Our members are welcome to attend as visitors or to join the club. The club is organizing a trip to Easton Walled Garden to look at Snowdrops. There are places on the coach – £10 for coach and £6.50 entry. Names and telephone numbers to Sandra.*

*Pat Firman told the group about a potato sale at Sherwood on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Organic seed potatoes will be on sale – they can be bought individually. Further details from Pat Tele: 01159229434*

*After the notices the group enjoyed a very interesting talk by Sandra Hunt. Sandra keeps Bees but has an amazing knowledge of gardening, insects and 'bugs'. We were well entertained, learnt a lot and were able to buy her organic Honey and beauty products. Everyone is looking forward to hearing Sandra's talk at our main meeting.*

**Sharpe's coaches** are running trips to:

*Lincolnshire churches' flower festivals*

*Dunham Massey*

*Harrogate Spring Flower Show*

*Felix Coombe now known as Swiftsure Travel are running trips to*

*Thriplow Daffodil Weekend*

*Garden Weekend Mini Tour*

***Brightwater Holidays** organize Garden Holidays here and abroad. Tele;  
01334657155 for further information,*

## JANUARY



**Wed Jan 9<sup>th</sup>**

**GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am - Guild Room**

Speaker Sandra Hart: 'Bees & Flowers'

Honey on sale

**Sat Jan 26<sup>th</sup>**

**POTATO SALE – Sherwood.** Information from Pat Firman 01159229434

## FEBRUARY



**Wed Feb 13<sup>th</sup>**

**GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am -**

## MARCH



**Sat March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**THRIPLow DAFFODIL WEEKEND – Swiftsure Travel**

Coach and admission £18.80

Phone 08000190047 for information

## APRIL



**Wed April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**GARDEN VISITS MEETING – 10am – Guild Room**

Visiting Speaker - Mike Willars – Tree specialist

**Sun April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**HARROGATE SPRING FLOWER SHOW** – Sharpe's coaches  
Concessions £39

**MAY**



**Sat May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**LINCOLNSHIRE CHURCHES FLOWER FESTIVALS**

Seniors - £27.95/£29.95 (depending on lunch chosen) Sharpe's coaches  
Mount Street Pick up. First pick up – last drop off

**Sat May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**DUNHAM MASSEY IN SPRING** – Sharpe's coaches

Seniors - £34.50 (inc admission to house and garden)  
£24.75 (NT members with card)

**JUNE**



**Fri June 21<sup>st</sup>**

**ELY CATHEDRAL FLOWER FESTIVAL** – Little's coaches

£8 entrance + coach approx £10 Deposits required at the February meeting

**JULY**



**Sat/Sun July 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>** **WISLEY & KEW GARDENS** - £103 half board

Swiftsure Travel 08000190047 for information

## SEPTEMBER



### **KATHY BROWN'S GARDEN VISIT – Stevington – Manor House Gardens**

Clematis featured in September

4 ½ acres of gardens in different styles. Guided tour available

£4.50 entrance, £4 edible flower demonstration, £3 afternoon tea

Arrive 1:45 pm maximum 30 people, smaller coach approx £12pp,  
lunch en route

Or

Monday arrive 11:45am flower demonstration, garden tour for 1 hour,

£8 sandwiches, drink cake for lunch

depart 3:30pm