

DISLEY & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

Newsletter – May 2009

Welcome to any new members and visitors, the ladies who welcomed you in at the door tonight will be pleased to introduce you to some of our members.

Tonight we have Jean Eggleston, an Area Demonstrator from *Melton Mowbray* and her demonstration is called "*The Darling Buds of May*".

June

3rd Club Practical Night. See information below

10th Club night. Janet Scofield is an Area Demonstrator from *Cheshire* and her demonstration is called "*Pieces of Glass*".

17th Club Practical Night. See information below

19th Club trip to Floral Fantasy at Cannon Hall, Barnsley. Demonstration by Alison Bradley International Floral Artist. Price £29 includes demonstration.

23rd & 24th

Cheshire Show.

24th Club Practical Night. See information below

July

2nd Area Social Day. The day starts at 10am for coffee followed at 11am by the speaker Beryl Cotton with her "A Bizarre Affair" presentation. Bring own lunch/picnic although beverages are available. In the afternoon Carola Wilson will demonstrate "Just for a Change". There will also be stalls, which include Flower Arrangers' goods, Jewellery and the Crazy Wire Company etc, all available for browsing during the day. It promises to be a super day, all for £10. Please put your names on the board tonight.

3rd, 4th, 5th

"Lord for the Years" A Flower Festival at St Thomas' Church High Lane. This festival celebrates the Church's 150 years Anniversary.

8th Club night. Linda Hardman is an Area Demonstrator from *Preston* and her demonstration is called "*Flowers Talk*".

12th Alderley Edge & Wilmslow Horticultural Society Show at Wilmslow High School.

15th **Garden Trail 1-7pm.** Starts at Chris O'Hara's 37 Chatsworth Road Hazel Grove (coffee/tea, raffle & plants available) through 7 other gardens to Mavis Bosanko's garden Ivy Cottage, Corks Lane, Disley (cream tea, wine, raffle, plants available). Buy your ticket at Chris' to have the other gardens revealed. The raffle will be drawn at Mavis' at 6.50pm.

16th - 18th

National (NAFAS) Competitions in Coventry.

16th Club Trip with Prestbury Flower Club to the Nationals in Coventry. The coach leaves at 9am from the large car park, behind the shops and restaurants, at the station end of Prestbury village. The return trip will start at 5pm from Coventry.

August

15th Disley and Lyme Horticultural Society Show

September

16th Club Practical Night. See information below

20th-27th Club holiday to Northumberland

30th Club Practical Night. See information below

Information

Club Practical Nights

The committee has arranged several practical nights (3rd, 17th & 24th June, 16th & 30th September), that we hope will be “FUN”, where we have a “play” with plant materials. Come and join in have a “cuppa” & biscuit and let us have your ideas and suggestions. On the 3rd June by popular demand, following the Westminster Abbey Festival and the use of spheres throughout, we are going to “have a go”. Examples, tuition & help will be there on the night.

Venue Windlehurst Methodist Church at 7.30pm, price £10 a session.

Qualified First Aiders

The club has recently received a Health & Safety missive which requires the club to have a Qualified First Aider, amongst other things, present at club nights etc. If you are already a Qualified First Aider or would like to train as such then please see Mavis for details.

Almoner

Please notify the almoner, Chris Lee, of any illness, matters of celebration or sadness amongst the club members in order that the club can send flowers or a card. There is now a book, just for this purpose, on the Club Information Table next to the stage.

Stamps

The Cheshire Area are now collecting them in aid of Cancer Research so save all your stamps, please, and leave for Chris Middleton on the Club Information Table next to the stage.

Snail & Slug Control

Hosta & Hemerocallis(Day Lily) Society Recipe

2 Garlic Bulbs (opened up, but not taken apart)

Boil in 2 pints of water. Once soft, strain off liquid and make up to 2 pints.

This mixture will keep in a sealed container until required.

Dilution

1 tablespoon in 1 gallon of water.

Apply to foliage as a drench.

Very effective – recommended by NCCPG Hosta Collection Holders'