

Bluebell Garden Club

Coach Trip

Saturday, 11th June 2022

Burton Agnes Hall & Gardens
“Gardeners’ Fair”

Depart 9.30am and back by approximately 6.00pm

(Lepton Methodist Church, Highgate Lane, Lepton)

40+ stalls, talks and advice, walled garden tours, specialist talks and floral displays, miniature gardens, garden inspired art, chainsaw sculpture and alpacas to admire!

Access to the gardens is included. There is a café for food, pizzas with garden ingredients and ice creams also available.



Summer Social

5th July 2022

Each year a member opens their garden as an alternative to the usual meeting at the Church Hall. Would you like to open your garden? It's an enjoyable experience. Just speak to one of the committee members if you are willing to open your garden for us or would like further details of what it involves.



Leaving about 4.00pm

There are 33 places available at a cost of £23 per person.

To book please see Peter Hoyle.

Payment in full needs to be received in early May to secure your place.

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www.bluebellgardenclub.co.uk

MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER

Next Month's Meeting :
Tuesday, 7th June, 7.30pm

A talk by Don Witton
Once Seen Never Forgotten

Don is a retired schoolteacher. He has been a gardener for over 40 years and an avid “Hardy Planter” (hardy herbaceous perennials) for 25 years. He is a member of the three national garden charities, the Hardy Plant Society (having been chairman of the local South Pennine Group), Plant Heritage, (formerly NCCPG, being Chairman of the local South Pennine Group), and the Royal Horticultural Society.



He holds the Plant Heritage National Collection of hardy Euphorbia which has been featured on BBC 2's Gardeners World in 1999 and again in 2012. It has also been featured on BBC TV's Tatton Park Show programme. He has staged exhibits (along with other National Collection Holders) at the Tatton Park Show for over 10 years and has received a collection of medals including 2 Gold.

The Collection has also appeared in numerous gardening magazines including the RHS journal “The Garden” (twice), Gardens Illustrated and in a Japanese gardening magazine. It is also listed in the Good Gardens Guide.

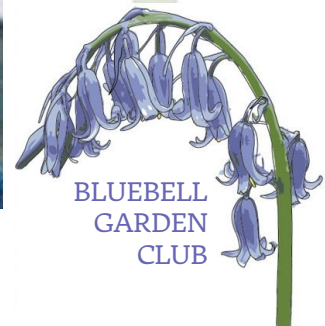
He has written 2 books on Euphorbias for the Hardy Plant Society. Don runs a small nursery specialising in a large range of Euphorbias (including rare and desirable varieties), perennials and Euphorbia seed. www.euphorbias.co.uk

Bob Flowerdew

We are pleased to confirm that the talk by Bob Flowerdew will now go ahead on 4th October.

Tickets for the event will be on sale at tonight's

meeting and the cost will be £5 for club members and £10 for guests.



Upcoming National Garden Scheme Open Gardens

The booklet for the Yorkshire open gardens is now available from the Admission Table.

The Circles Garden

8 Stockmoor Road, Midgley, nr Wakefield, WF4 4JQ

An organic and self-sustaining garden on gently sloping site overlooking fields, woods and nature reserve opposite. Visits by arrangements April to September for groups of 5 to 20. £4, children free. Home-made teas.

Land Farm

Edge Lane, Colden, Hebden Bridge, HX7 7PJ

An intriguing 6 acre upland garden within a sheltered valley. Thursday, 16 June (11-5) £5, children free. Home-made teas. Disabled access. Dogs allowed. Card payments accepted.

Millrace Garden

84 Selby Road, Garforth, Leeds, LS25 1LP

Garden includes large herbaceous borders containing 3000 varieties of perennials, shrubs and trees. Ornamental pond, vegetable garden and walled terrace lead to wildflower meadow. Sunday 22 May (1 – 5) £5, children free. Home-made teas. Disabled access. Dogs welcome. Plants for sale. Visits also by arrangement February to August.

Scape Lodge

11 Grand Stand, Scapegoat Hill, Golcar, Huddersfield, HD7 4NQ

Contemporary country garden 1000ft on a steeply sloping site with far-reaching views. Gravel paths lead between mixed borders on many levels. Sunday, 15 May. £5, children free. Home-made teas. Plants for sale. Card payments accepted. Visits also by arrangement May to July.

Lots more to come throughout the summer and some of the gardens above will be open again later in the year.

For more information visit www.ngs.org.uk

Cawthorne Open Gardens (nr Barnsley, South Yorkshire)

Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June : 11am to 5pm

£5 in advance / £6 on the day, accompanied under 16's free. Approximately 16 gardens will be open but it may vary from day to day. A range of gardens will be open to visitors, including some



open for the first time in 2022. Quality refreshments include sandwiches, cakes, hot sausage baps, a barbeque and cream teas. Live music in some gardens, and entertainment for our younger visitors will be provided, including treasure hunts to suit children of all ages and a chance to try Victorian games.

A courtesy minibus service will run regularly between gardens. Dogs on short leads are welcome in most gardens. Tickets in advance available from Cawthorne Village Store, Cawthorne Post Office, Gallery 2 or Cawthorne Victoria Museum; on the day from any open garden, the main car park and the village green. To contact the organisers - Phone: 01226 792 067. Email: cawthorneopengardens@gmail.com. Web: <http://www.cawthorne.org.uk>

Another good source for discovering open gardens is www.opengardens.co.uk which is run by a group of gardening enthusiasts and is financed by crowd funding.

Willow Garden Club Annual Plant Sale

Mary Harrison will be holding their usual plant sale at the bottom of their drive on Saturday/Sunday, 14th and 15th May. 11am to 4pm. 73 Pavilion Way, Meltham, HD9 5QN. Telephone Mary on 07912 513236 if you need directions.

Growing Newsome

They are getting started sowing lots of seeds so that they have plenty of plants to share with you at their next Big Plant Swap. If you don't have the date in your diary already, it's on :

Saturday 21st May, from 10am to 1pm at Newsome Scout Hall.

Sow something, share something
It would be great if you can sow a few extra seeds this Spring to share with other growers.

And if there are any varieties of plants that you'd really like to be able to find at their Plant Swap event, please let them know by emailing growingnewsome@gmail.com and they'll do their best to get them ready for you.

www.growingnewsome.org

Future Contributions

Please submit any comments or contributions for future newsletters to Mary Harrison at 73 Pavilion Way, Meltham, Huddersfield, HD9 5QN.

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