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Claygate Floral Club

June 2024 Newsletter

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WELCOME TO THE JUNE EDITION OF YOUR NEWSLETTER



I cannot believe we are nearly at June already. We definitely need some summer sunshine and warmth soon.

I am really looking forward to this month's workshop. I thought it would be a good opportunity to have a practice at a couple of the Flower Show classes. I am going to try Bee friendly from the Novice section and Summer Sunset.

You of course can try any that you like or just come along and watch to get some inspiration.

WEDNESDAY 5th JUNE CLUB NIGHT – VIVIEN WITHERS WORKSHOP “SUMMER COTTAGE GARDEN”

In June we are all looking forward to rolling up our sleeves and enjoying Viven’s workshop. Vivien will demonstrate one arrangement in foam and one using chicken wire.

It will then be over to all of us to give it a go! Things to bring to the workshop are:

Summer flowers together with a suitable container such as a favourite dish or vase (well wrapped). You can make your arrangement in pre-soaked floral form or using chicken wire taped into the container. Suitable flowers include Roses, Delphiniums, Eryngiums (Thistles), Alstroemeria, Dianthus (Carnations), Antirrhinum, Peonies and Mathiola (Stocks).

Please also bring along well conditioned (cut and given a drink for ideally at least 24 hours before arranging) garden foliage. Here are some suggestions - Ivy, Spotted Laurel (Aucuba), Portuguese Laurel, Strawberry Tree, Hebe, Fatsia leaves, Bergenia leaves, Phormiums and Eucalyptus”.

Vivien will be on hand to give help and guidance.

JUNE COMPETITION – “I LOVE MY GARDEN”



So why not take a wander around a garden you love and let it inspire you!

In June there are always a variety of garden flowers blooming together so let your imagination take you wherever it wants to go!

Please remember there will be **no** competition in July, to enable everyone to have time to sort out their entries for the Claygate Flower Show

MAY'S DEMONSTRATION

Barbara Caldecourt's "Calendar Moments" was a wonderful evening, enjoyed by all.



SUMMER TRIP 2024 – THERE'S STILL TIME TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE AND DON'T FORGET YOU CAN INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

If you haven't done so already please remember to get your tickets for the Summer Trip 2024 to Borde Hill Garden and Nymans House and Garden.

Please see all the day's details in our flyer below.

PAYMENT IS BY CHEQUE SO PLEASE BRING YOUR CHEQUE, CLEARLY WRITING YOUR NAME ON THE BACK.

THIS YEAR, FOR EASE OF ADMINISTRATION, WE ARE REQUESTING EVERYONE COMPLETE A SIMPLE FORM WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE ON CLUB NIGHT. YOU WILL THEN BE ASKED TO SUBMIT YOUR CHEQUE AND FORM TOGETHER.

Friends Welcome too!

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BORDE HILL GARDEN

&

NYMANS HOUSE AND GARDEN

THURSDAY 15TH AUGUST 2024



8.45am	Leave Claygate by coach (opposite Claygate Co-op)
@10.00am	Arrive Borde Hill Gardens <i>Enjoy the Grade II* listed English heritage parkland and garden described by Country Life "as one of the country's truly great gardens"</i>
12.30pm	Depart for Nymans House and Garden
12.45pm	Arrive Nymans House and Garden <i>Set in the rolling hills of the Sussex Weald, Nymans is a gardeners' delight and a National Trust gem</i> Lunch Bring a picnic or enjoy one of the two cafes. Hot and cold food available
4.45pm	Depart for Claygate
@6pm	Arrive Claygate

You can secure your place on this fabulous trip at our next club meeting on Wednesday 1st May. Guests welcome too.

Please remember to bring your cheque made payable to 'Claygate Floral Club'.

£45.75 per person
or the discounted rate of

£29.50 for National Trust Members*

**Please note you must bring your NT membership card for entry to Nymans House and Garden*

SATURDAY 13TH JULY - CLAYGATE FLOWER SHOW - CLAYGATE RECREATION GROUND



This has traditionally been a big event for the Claygate Floral Club and we will need a helping hand from as many members as possible, before and during the day so that everything runs smoothly.

We would love as many members as possible to submit floral exhibits to the show (you can use the club competition for practice). Don't forget, there are cash prizes!

Below is a list of this year's Floral Exhibits classes. Anne Roberts is the Floral Exhibits section head and would be very happy to answer questions about entering the show. You can access the Flower Show website [here](https://www.claygateflowershow.co.uk).

Competition Categories: <https://www.claygateflowershow.co.uk/adults>

DIVISION F -FLORAL EXHIBITS

The Judge for Division F will be Jane Rickard

Flowers can be home grown or purchased. Prize money- £5.00 for first place. Height of the exhibit is optional throughout.

OPEN CLASSES

These classes are open to everyone with a love of flowers.

Open staging throughout on dove grey coloured fabric. Space allowed 61cms width x61cms depth. Judge's decision is final.

161* Coffee Time

162* A bowl of Roses (only rose foliage to be used to accompany) -**Butler Challenge Cup**

163* Hobbies

164* Bottoms Up

These exhibits are small versions of flower arrangements:

170* Pale and interesting – a Peacock Exhibit (25cms width x25cms depth)

171* Summer Jewels- a Miniature Exhibit (10cms width x 10cms depth)

HMF Faure Challenge Cup for best exhibit in classes 161-171

NOVICE CLASSES

Open to exhibitors who have never won a first prize in this section before.

Open staging throughout on dove grey coloured fabric. Space allowed 61cms width x61cms depth. Judge's decision is final.

176* All things bright and beautiful

177* Bee friendly

178* My favourite colour

Cheramy Cup for highest amount of prize money in classes 176-178

NAFAS INTERPRETIVE CLASSES

To be judged in accordance with the NAFAS CompeVVons Manual, 2023 ediVon, a copy of which is available on request.

Open staging throughout on dove grey coloured fabric. Space allowed 76cms width x76 cms depth. Judge's decision is final.

180* Knotted Problem -**Harris Cup**

181* Tall and Cool- a Contemporary Exhibit

182* Picture This-(to include a picture frame)

183* Summer Sunset

Kettle Challenge Cup awarded for best exhibit in lasses 180-183.

Astley Beer Cup- Judges choice from any class- the exhibit the judge would like to take home. Claygate Floral Club for the highest amount of prize money across all classes.

Claygate Floral Club's People's Choice- a voucher awarded to the exhibit with the most votes from visitors to the show.

UPCOMING EVENTS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

Saturday 8th to Sunday 9th June 2024: London Open Gardens Weekend. To find our more [Click Here](#)

Monday 10th June 2024: Daisy Tuffen Flower Club's Open Meeting "The Sound of Rhubarb" at 7pm



Tuesday 3rd to Sunday 8th September: RHS Garden Wisley Flower Show [Click Here](#)

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Please bring your cups for refreshments!



Thank you