



Newsletter – September 2026

Dear Members,

Summer Flower Show. – Thank you to everyone who participated in any way whatsoever. It seems a lifetime ago now.

Cream Tea. Thank you all for supporting us in this annual event. We have received many lovely comments, so thank you for these as well. For those members who were unable to attend, we presented a cheque for £500 to the Clymping Dog Sanctuary, which was raised from the Dog show that we held back in July.

Autumn Flower Show. Saturday 19th September. The Autumn show is our next event. and is rapidly approaching. We have 129 Classes. If you have mislaid your schedule, please don't worry as I have some spare copies. It will also be available on our website, shortly, to download should you wish to do so. The closing date for entries as always, the Wednesday prior to the show, which is **Wednesday 16th September 8pm.** WE have several new classes this time so why not experiment with something new. The Cookery section has a Technical Challenge. This time it is a Fruit & Vegetable cake, so why not give that a try. One section that unfortunately does not get many entries is the children's section. No matter how hard we try the local children to enter this event, we don't get many entries. Is there a member who has any contact with either the school, or the nursery school? If so, please could you try to encourage them.

Cups to be returned. According to my records the following people have cups to return. Please can you bring them to Brenda with your show entry form.

Sue Pitman – Fuchsia Glass Bowl.

Kirsty Wilgoss - Drakers Dibber

Christine King – Floral Art Silver Salver

Mary Lewis – Cookery Silver Salver.

John-Mills Memorial Bowl – Brian Varney

Bob Rogers – Trug Trophy

Ted Coomber – Kendrick Pot Plant Award

Local events for September. This can be a lovely month for visiting country events. Here are a few suggestions.

Town Show, Rosemead Park Littlehampton. Saturday 12th September 12.00 noon

Findon Sheep Fair – Saturday 12th September 10.30 Free entry - £6.00 to park your car.

Rymans Gardens Open for NGS - Sunday 13th September 2 – 5 pm

West Dean Plant Fair – Sunday 13th September 10.00 – 3.00

Bignor Park NGS Open Garden – Tuesday 22nd September 2 – 5pm

Jobs to do in the garden this month. Some now and some later.

Lift gladioli corns, dry and store.

Collect ripe seeds of your favourite plants ready for next year.

Lift, divide and replant congested clumps of perennials, when they have finished flowering.

Take cuttings from fuchsias, salvias and pelargoniums.

Trim conifer hedges to neaten up and help control height.

Try to keep your hanging baskets flowering as long as possible by deadheading and feeding.

Veg Plot.

Prune out all the fruited canes of summer raspberries, cutting them down to the base. Tie in new canes to their supports.

Start sowing hardy varieties of broad beans.

General maintenance.

Check the pipes that supply your water butts are working well before the rains come.

Take down greenhouse shading so plants get maximum height.

Free to a good home Please contact Brenda for further details

One electric Lawn Mower and one electric Rake/aerator



From your Committee - Liz Hewson (Chair), Brenda Bailey (Shows & Events), Alan Gess (Treasurer) Bob Rogers, Kate Dobson & Liesma Mezulis.

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