



Newsletter – June 2025

Dear Members,

After having a quite time for the Gardeners Club recently, it is now all systems go ready for our Big Summer Flower Show, Dog Show & Village Fete. Please don't forget that this show is our biggest and most important of the year, so let's all try hard to make it really special. There are not many villages in West Sussex that try to achieve what we try to achieve. This is our fifth summer show (our first one was in 2021 complete with covid masks and a one-way system) We have come a long way in the last five years and we hope to continue with this progress. We would like to think that our forbearers would be pleased with us and the progress that we have made and that Walberton still can stage a Flower show.

Besides the Flower Show we also have the Dog Show, which this year is a fund raiser for the Canine Partners Chairity. As many of our new neighbours have dogs, we are hope that this will be an even more popular event this year.

The Village Fete, is also proving popular and this year and we will have more stalls and activities than previously. We not only have Morris Minor cars, but also a Bouncy Castle, Fire Engine, Ice Cream, Jam, Honey, Ponies, Candyfloss, Welly Wanging, Tea Tent, Beer Tent & Band to name but a few. We just need to pray for a fine day, without the wind that hampered us last year.

Please can you help For the Flower Show we would grateful for help with making cakes for the refreshment department. For the Fete we really do need some volunteers to man the gates and collect the £2 entrance fee. Please note, that we now have some hi-viz jackets with our logo on them, which we will ask you to wear, so that you are noticeable. The more volunteers that we have the easier and most efficient it will be for everyone. Also, if anyone has a Gazebo not in use at home we would be most grateful if we could borrow it, especially if you could erect it and dismantle it for us.

Apuldram Roses Wednesday 18th June 2pm Not long now until the trip to Apuldram Roses. There is still time to put your name on the list, if you would like to attend, please contact Brenda. The event consists of a talk about rose care and cultivation in their beautiful garden which last for 1 hour approximately. This will be followed by tea, coffee and homemade cakes. We are welcome to stay there for as long as we wish. The cost of this event is **£7.50**. to be paid by Friday 6th June either by bank transfer or cash. Places are limited, so if you would like to attend, please contact Brenda Bailey on either

WalbertongcShows@outlook.com, or 01243 551481 or 07881552980. or at 1 Forge Cottages, Blacksmiths Corner, Walberton.

General Advise for June.

Weed, Water & Feed as often as your garden requires it. When watering it is most important to take care, not to water overhead with a rose on the can, but to get the water to the roots of the plants, which is where it is needed. Ideally water in the early mornings or in the evenings, when the sun is not on the flowers, fruit & vegetables. Pick soft fruits as soon as they are ready.

Blackfly – This is going to be a bad year for it, so watch out, particularly on runner beans & broad beans. It is a good idea to pinch out the tops of the broad beans, which will help.

Leeks –& Onion sets - watch out for rust appearing. This can be avoided by not watering overhead, but directly at the base of the plant during warm weather.

Rambler & Climbing roses – look after the new shoots that are appearing at the bottom of the plants, as these are the ones that you will need next year.

Clematis – to avoid clematis wilt, make sure that you keep them well watered as they are very thirsty plants. Also make sure that their roots are in the shade.

Out & About in June

Friday	6 th June	Camerata String Quartet – St. Mary's Church	7.30
Fri – Sat.	6 th – 8 th June	Garden Show at Broadlands	
Saturday	7 th June	Boxgrove Village Fete	12 – 3pm
Saturday	7 th June	Slindon Church Fete	2 – 5.30
Sunday	8 th June	Open Farm Sunday – Farplants Lake Lane	10 – 2pm
Saturday	14 th June	Eastergate Church Fete	11 – 3pm
Saturday	14 th June	Open Gardens, Clymping	10 – 5pm
Saturday	21 st June	Car Wash – Village Hall	9 – 5
Saturday	28 th June	Southdowns Concert Band & St. Paul's Church Choir, Music From Around the World, St. Pauls Church Chichester.	

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you all on 5th July. From Your Committee – Liz Hewson (Chair), Brenda Bailey, Doug Callander, Sue Atkins. Bob Rogers & Kate Dobson.



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