



SPRING 2019

Dear Members,

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter. The sun is out although a little chilly and I have beans shooting and Basil planted, but I am waiting for the Plant Sale to buy my tomato plants.

Following our very successful talk on “**Gardening for Wildlife**” in October and **AGM** in November (and of course Christmas), we have been busy with arrangement for the 2019 Show – which celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Society (although it is the 94th Show). There have been some changes to the Schedule to provide some new inspiration, but the tallest Sunflower remains a favourite.

We had a most interesting and informative talk from Chris Young in February entitled “**Sow to Grow; Grow to Show**” with tips about growing and entering the Show.

We were out and about in April with our stall at the **Village Market**, where we had a seed swap and gave away sunflower seedlings and seeds to young gardeners as well as foxgloves and bluebells.

Our next event is the **Plant Sale** on Saturday 18 May outside the Co-op. If you have any excess seedlings (especially tomatoes!) or any unwanted plants, please do bring them along as early as possible. We will have our stall from 9am to 11am. All proceeds go towards putting on the Flower Show.

Other news – we have some gardening books and a shredder which are available for members to borrow. If you have not already renewed your 2018/29 membership please do so – details overleaf.

Best wishes, **Kate Anthony Wilkinson** (Chair)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 18 May 9am to 11am – Plant Sale outside the Co-op. If you have any spare flower or veg plants to donate and can't deliver them to the stall please contact Kate on T 392381 or another Committee member.

Summer – look out for a talk or event.

Thursday 5 September – deadline for your Show entries to be in.

Friday 6 September – volunteers please to help us set up for the Show from 4pm at the Village Hall.

Saturday 7 September– Flower Show at Village Hall.

October - we hope to have a talk (details tbc).

November – AGM with mince pies etc – Jubilee Pavilion 7.30pm (date tbc).

Membership gives you benefits, including free entry to the Show, discounted entry to talks and discount at Brackenwood Garden centre.



2018/19 Subscriptions – membership to 31st October 2019

If you have not already paid your subscription please complete the form,
OR you can now pay online and email our Membership Secretary to let her know you have done so. Thank you.

Email: Mary Lord on marylord63@gmail.com or return this form to Mary at: Trevarno, 63 Ridgeway Road, Long Ashton BS41 9EZ Tel 01275 392274

We rely heavily on the subscriptions to enable us to put on the Show in September and so we would really appreciate it if you continued to give us your support.

Name.....

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I enclose £..... for the 2018/19 membership (£5 per person)

I enclose £..... for the sponsorship of the Flower Show (amounts of £5, £10, £25 or another amount would be appreciated). Please make cheques payable to 'Long Ashton Horticultural Society'.

For online payment: Sort code 40-14-09 Account no. 31448811

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