



SPRING 2020

Dear Members,

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter. The sun was out today but we also had some snow on the ground (although it soon melted). But the daffodils are brightening up the garden and I am starting to think about sowing seeds. The AGM in November now seems a long time ago. Thanks for those of you who attended and enjoyed some mulled wine and mince pies with us. You will be pleased to know that the Committee is already busy planning the Show and events for 2020.

We were all given inspiration last month when our President, Chris Young, gave an enlightening talk on **Propagation**. Hopefully this will inspire you to get more out of your garden and perhaps also produce some cuttings and extra plants to donate to our **Plant Sale** on Saturday 16 May. Tomato and vegetable plants always sell well so please let us have your spare plants. All proceeds go to support the Flower Show.

Our next event is a talk by Nick Wray entitled "**Relocation and development of the Bristol University Botanic Garden**". Nick is curator of the Botanic Gardens in Stoke Bishop and will be telling us about how the garden was planned and developed. This will be on 31 March 2020 at the Jubilee Pavilion. Following the talk, we have arranged for a members' visit to the Botanic Gardens on Saturday 6 June. Places for the tour are limited so if you would like to join the tour please can you let Mary Lord have £8 for your ticket. If you need transport, then let Mary know.

Thank you if you have already renewed your membership for 2019/20; if you have not, please see details overleaf.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Talk – "*Relocation and development of the Bristol University Botanic Gardens*" with Nick Wray. **Tuesday 31 March 2020** at the Jubilee Pavilion. Doors open at 7.15 pm with plenty of time to have some cake and a cuppa. The talk will start at 7.45 pm with the evening finishing at circa 9.15 pm.

Plant Sale – **Saturday 16 May 9-11am** outside the Co-op. If you have any spare flower or veg plants to donate and can't deliver them to the stall for 9am please contact a Committee member.

Visit - to University Botanic Gardens – **Saturday 6 June 11am-1pm**. Tickets £8 need to be booked in advance with Mary Lord due to limited spaces (ticket is £2 if you are a member of the Gardens).

Show Entries – by **Thursday 3 September**

Show setting up – **Friday 4 September 6pm**

Show - **Saturday 5 September 2020** – look out for the Schedules in July.

Best wishes and happy gardening,

Kate Anthony Wilkinson (Chair)



Membership gives you free entry to the Show, your personal copy of the Schedule delivered to your door, reduced entry to talks, member only visits and discount at Brackenwood Garden Centre. Please do join us!

2019/20 Subscriptions – membership to 31st October 2020

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.

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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.

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