

Well for once this is a relatively short newsletter- the calm of the summer before the flurry of activity once things get going again in September!

The cream tea was held on a lovely summer afternoon and Jilly's garden was looking wonderful. Everyone enjoyed a cream tea and a large selection of cakes and over £400 was raised. Many thanks to Jilly for all her work and we will be making a donation to her chosen charity- the Wiltshire Air Ambulance.



Lucy Ellis was our demonstrator last Thursday and she had to overcome a deficiency of flowers at the wholesalers due to the ferry workers strike at Calais preventing the lorries crossing the channel. Not to be daunted by such things she managed to accumulate plenty of flowers to give us a hugely entertaining evening. Hopefully overcoming problems like that will help her in preparation for taking the National Demonstrators test on July 28th in

Thornbury. I am sure we all wish her the best of luck and those of us lucky enough to have bought tickets for the day will be there to cheer her on!

Wednesday 29th July Practice class 7.30pm at URC Hall in Holt.

The theme of this class is Midelino Magic. Rosemary suggests looking at examples of using Midelino sticks in the Flower Arranger to give you ideas on how to incorporate them into an arrangement. They were featured in last summer's edition. (Another reason to subscribe to the Flower Arranger- lots of ideas and inspiration!)

If you would like to attend please ring Rosemary on 01225 858751 for further information.

Thursday 6th August Garden Outing to Yeo Valley Organic Garden at Blagdon

The meeting time is 2pm. Yeo Valley Garden is on the A368 between Blagdon and Ubley. The post code is BS40 7SQ. Anyone needing a lift or who would like to offer people a lift- please contact Cynthia on 01225 863640

Our September meeting on Thursday 3rd is David Martin with "Visions of Cornwall" This should be a really entertaining evening and to encourage people along who have never been to a demonstration before there will be free entry for visitors. So please spread the word and put the date in your diaries.

North Wilts Flower Club have a Flower Festival at All Saint's Church in Crudwell next weekend- the 11th/12th July. For details phone Helen Carter on 01666 577375. This is combined with the annual Strawberry Fayre held on The Green in Crudwell.

Calendars, Diaries and Christmas Cards.

Pam had samples of these at our last meeting. The orders have to be in by 14th of August so if you are interested please ring Pam on 01225 865700.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer- holidays, gardens or any of the many events that happen over the summer months.

Helen

(on behalf of the committee)