

Chichester Organic Gardening Society Newsletter 70, April 2016

Notes from the Committee: We have had some interesting meetings and are busy planning for the future. We would like more committee members – have you thought of standing? At present the Committee plan the speaker meetings – but if anyone would like to take this on, it would be much appreciated. In particular :

We need a new Secretary as Penelope is standing down in October.

Please think about this! We would like time for a handover.

Secretary Task includes: taking Minutes from Committee meetings and distributing to committee members; preparing papers for the AGM and writing the Minutes; and at present preparing the Newsletter. It would be helpful for the secretary to have their own computer and some expertise in the internet (neither of which the current secretary has). IF someone would like to produce the Newsletter in its previous format they would be welcomed.

COGS now has a Facebook page! If you are on Facebook please

Like <https://www.facebook.com/ChichesterOrganicGardening/> and invite any interested friends to Like it too.

If you have any relevant items to share on the page, plus any digital photos from COGS events (recent or not!) please send them to Diana Morgan morgandiana68@hotmail.com

Diana would also like one or two volunteers to join her as a Page administrator as backup - this will not be at all onerous!

This Newsletter goes to print around the time of the Transition Green Fair, which we hope to take part in – thank you to anyone who offered to help.

Although this is some way ahead we would like to start collecting names for helpers at:

Weald and Downland Countryside Show: 8-9th October

Help needed please! COGS have been invited to have a stall again. So we shall need helpers on the days, and in particular any plants, produce, jams etc.

We shall only do this if we have enough people, so please do get in touch with Penelope (01243 771881). Thank you!

We also need someone to organise the Rota of helpers.

Meetings 2016:

May 23: Plant Swop and Spring Fling: This is an evening to exchange our seedlings, young or mature plants, so please bring some! and also as always a dish to share (home cooked if possible) plus your own plates etc. There will be a (now traditional) Quiz.

September 26: Sarah Hughes, Community Wildlife Officer at CDC. (tbc)

October 31: AGM and Harvest Supper bring a dish to share – perhaps made with your homegrown produce.

November 28: Bill Martin: From Coal to Cucumbers - the development of a Land Settlement Association in Sidlesham.

VISITS

Monday May 16: visit to Highdown Gardens 5.0 p.m cost £2.50

Situated between Ferring and Goring just off the A259. It is clearly signposted.

Monday June 13 Evening visit (7.0-9.0 pm.) to Roger Parsons' Sweet Peas

£6.50 for Tour plus Wine & Nibbles.

Primrose Cottage, Clayton Lane, Bracklesham Bay, Chichester, PO20 8JQ

Monday July 25 Tea-time visit to Monica Lucas

Charge of £5 for cream tea; to go to Snowdrop Trust

The Birches, 19 Selsey Rd, Sidlesham, PO20 7NF

For all visits there will be lists available to sign at meetings; For Roger Parsons, the money has to be given in by May 23. If you are not at a meeting and would like to come please phone: 771881.

Unless otherwise stated, Monday meetings take place at
Bassil Shippam Centre, Tozer Way, St Pancras, Chichester PO19 7LG
Meetings start at 7.30pm, doors open at 7.15pm

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