



Garden Club Newsletter

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May talk and demonstration— Bring a stem – basket competition –Stems – trips - show



In May we welcomed Claire Peat from Bloom and Stiles, who with a friend grows British garden flowers at Denby near Belper, for weddings and special occasions. Claire showed us how flowers from our own gardens can be cut and arranged to create beautiful displays in our homes.

She also spoke about the flowers sold in supermarkets, explaining that much of their natural scent has been bred out to help them last longer, in contrast, locally grown garden flowers often keep their wonderful scent.

She highlighted the environmental impact of imported flowers too, saying that many were transported from countries as far away as Kenya before reaching our shops – so go into your garden now and pick a bunch to enjoy.

Wendy won the bouquet that Claire made and was raffled off.



Stems Once again, members brought in some fantastic stems from their gardens.



And a new member won the bouquet of stems!

Our day trip to Biddulph Grange and Little Moreton Hall on 9th July is fully booked.

Our day trip to Bridgewater at the end of September has just 4 spaces left.

Darley Dale in Bloom is holding their annual hanging basket competition this summer. Check out their Facebook page if you are interested in entering this year.

We are delighted to have 77 members in our Garden Club!

We like to think it's because we're such a friendly bunch, with everyone willing to join in, lend a hand and enjoy a good chat along the way.

It's the people that make this club so special. A huge thank you to everyone who helps, takes part, and keeps the club blooming!

Friday June 26th - Gardening for Wildlife a talk by George Hoey

We look forward to seeing you there.

