



Garden Club Newsletter

Summer 2026



What a fabulous day we had on our July trip to Biddulph Grange Garden and Little Moreton Hall. With temperatures reaching 30 degrees, we were certainly lucky to have chosen two places with plenty of trees and shady paths where we could escape the heat while enjoying our day.

At Biddulph Grange, around every corner was something new to discover. The Chinese Garden, with pond and tea house bridges and dragons was apparently designed from the Willow Pattern plates that were fashionable at the time.

Tunnels led us into an Egyptian garden with topiary pyramid and sphinx; the stumpery was just beautiful full of oak tree stumps which had ferns and mosses growing in their nooks and crannies.

The Italian Garden, geological garden, kitchen garden, parterres – so much to see and enjoy and on top of that a second-hand book shop and plant sales which we were happy to browse in, and of course a lovely café.

A lovely place to visit. For more info www.nationaltrust.org.uk/biddulph



We hopped aboard our lovely air conditioned Slacks for the short coach 20 - minute drive to Little Moreton Hall. One of England's finest surviving Tudor manor houses, complete with moat. Its black and white timber framed wonky exterior, uneven floors, leaning walls charmed us all, while the lovely gardens and fascinating history made it easy to imagine life here over 500 years ago.

We sat and had tea and cake in the garden in the shade of a lovely old tree and chatted about our day.

The journey throughout the day was an added bonus, taking us through the beautiful rolling countryside of Derbyshire and Cheshire.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/littlemoreton

Have a go-enter the Summer Garden Show!

Due to the extreme temperatures we have had this summer it's been challenging to grow, but there are still plenty of ways to take part so if you do have some produce to show, then please bring it along.

You don't need to be an expert to take part. Whether it's your prize vegetable, a vase of your favourite flowers, a jar of homemade jam or cake or the begonia you received when you joined us in February, we would love to see your entries.

With lots of friendly classes to choose from, there's something for everyone. Bring along a little piece of your garden and help make this year's show our best yet – it's just a bit of friendly competition, see the website for details.

We will also be having a small plant sale this year and of course tea and cakes



Show is open at 1-2pm for entries to be dropped off

Judging from 2-3pm

3pm Show open to everyone to come back and see if you have won a prize and buy a cup of tea and piece of cake and socialise.

We need donations of cakes/traybakes and helpers for the refreshments please.



RHS Bridgewater trip September 30th.

We need payment of £16.00 per person for the trip as soon as possible please. You can pay through bacs in the usual way and please remember to add your name on payment.

Thank you

**We look forward to seeing you at the
show**

