

# **WEARDALE FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB**

## **SEPTEMBER 2025 MEETING**

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Welcome to our September meeting and a return visit to our club by SARAH HOPPS to talk about Glorious Late Summer Borders.

Plants Sarah uses in her talk will be raffled, and she also selling plants.

**FINANCE** Our bank balance as at 7th September is £8155.41. Our two speakers in August cost £273.30.

### **LADIES CHARITY LUNCH, FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Ladies Lunch. We had 37 attending, and there were 200 in all. The amount raised for the Friends of Weardale Community Hospital was £4,400. We spent £213 on floral decorations for the 22 tables.

### **OCTOBER MEETING**

We will have tulip bulbs for sale at our October meeting, at much reduced prices. Weardale Community Hospital will also be at the meeting with their selection of Christmas cards. Our speaker is Richard Barnes.

### **NORTHALLERTON FLOWER CLUB CHRISTMAS DEMONSTRATION**

Lorena Dyer, The Forum, Northallerton, 13th November at 7.30pm. Tickets £18 from the Forum (01609 776230)

### **HEXHAM FLOWER CLUB**

Open meeting - Christmas dem - 20th November, 7pm, Queen Elizabeth High School. Contact Carol Sanderson 07718248502

### **TENNANTS LEYBURN**

**Designer Makers Market**, 17th and 18th October, 10 am to 4 pm. A two day event showcasing approx 30 handpicked designers, artists and craftspeople from around the region and beyond. Entry free but a donation to Herriot Hospice Homecare would be gratefully received.

**Christmas Gift Wrapping Workshop**, 15th November, 9.30-3.30pm

**Christmas Wreath Making**, 25th and 26th November and 3rd and 6th December, 10 to 2.30pm, with Felicity Cook, Briar House Floers.

**The Language of Flowers Exhibition** by Richmond and Leyburn Creative Stitchers, 19th November to 18th December, in conjunction with the RHS.

### **HARLOW CARR**

Growing Cut Flowers, 4th October, 10am to 12.30, £28.

National Alpine Show, 11th October

Northern Fruit Apple Display, 24-26 October

Glow Festival, 19th November to 23rd December

Make a Christmas Door Wreath, 28th November

Make a Christmas Mantle Wreath, 12th December

### **COWELLS**

Roots and Rewards, A Frank Matthews Tree Talk, 29th October, 6-7.30pm, £15 -  
Secrets to growing productive trees.

### **NOVEMBER OUTING**

On Tuesday 18th November we have a coach to Northallerton. We will leave the Market Place at 9.30 am to arrive at Strikes Garden Centre in Northallerton by 10.30, and stay there for two hours. This gives time for coffee, and shopping - the store will have Christmas displays. We will then go into the centre of Northallerton for a further two hours before leaving at 3.30pm, and arriving back to Wolsingham by 4.30pm. The coach is being paid by the Club, so there is no charge for members. If there is space, we can also invite friends, at a cost of £10.

Please let Barbara have your name this evening if you wish to reserve a seat on the bus. Numbers will be finalised at the October meeting, after which we will be unable to cancel any places.

### **RABY**

10% off annual estate membership with code SEPT10 until 30th September.

### **NGS OPEN GARDENS**

17th September - Jervaulx Hall, Ripon - 8 acre garden adjacent to the ruins of Jervaulx Abbey. 12 noon to 5 pm. £7.

### **SARAH RAVEN SEASONAL RECIPE - BLACKBERRY AND APPLE GIN**

10.5 oz gran sugar; 1 apple, peeled, cored and finely chopped; 9 oz blackberries; 750 ml gin.

Pour sugar into a large, sterilised bottle. Add the fruit and then the gin. Seal and store in a dark place. Turn bottle often to dissolve sugar gradually. After 3 months strain off alcohol and pour into dry, warm, sterilised bottles, Seal and label. Keeps well.