

runs various courses from Linnels Farm and runs a shop on site, with on line sales. Each year Linnels import over 6,000 bulbs, and her talk this evening is entitled 'Bulbs, Glorious Bulbs' - just in time to help you choose your autumn orders! This evening we will also have our annual Autumn Produce sale Please bring along anything you have grown or made from the garden - plants you have split, flowers, veg, preserves etc. Last year we had a great selection of donations.

Tuesday, 15 October

Sam Clark works at Cowells Garden Centre, Woosington. This is a family garden centre which has been running for over 40 years. Sam will be demonstrating to us how we should be planting up our winter baskets, tubs, and troughs. There will be a selection of baskets to raffle after his talk.

Monday, 4 November

This is our annual Christmas open night at the school. Our demonstrator is Nick Grounds from Peterborough - recommended to us by Jonathan Moseley. Nick is a celebrity florist and has the reputation of having audiences across the UK on their feet and rolling in the aisles with his mixture of dazzling flowers and hilarious anecdotes. Nick is also a horticultural auctioneer, and his skills ensure an evening to remember.

* Please note earlier date, and this is a Monday evening event - the only slot Nick had free.

Tuesday, 17 December

Christmas celebration.



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Annual membership fee £25.
(Part payment when joining mid-year)
Visitors £5.



WEARDALE FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

2019 PROGRAMME



Meetings are held in
Wolsingham Town Hall at 7 pm
unless otherwise stated.

Visitors are most welcome at any meeting.

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Tuesday, 19 February

Annual General Meeting - review/reports from Chair and Treasurer, and to agree donations.

Following the AGM, we welcome Lee Brownson, Community Relations Officer for the Auckland Project. Lee will give us an overview and update on the various developments, including the Walled Garden and Garden Restaurant - to which we plan a group visit once opened. Work started on the garden in 2017, and after extensive groundworks, planting is due to commence. The restaurant is a striking, contemporary structure designed by Japanese architects.

Tuesday, 19 March

Derek Armstrong is a florist, freelance floral designer and national demonstrator. He originally trained as a chef, but has been a florist in Carlisle for over thirty years. Derek also works with the BBC and ITV on documentaries and period dramas. He lives in Penrith. Derek will be showing us designs for Spring flowers.

Saturday, 30 March

Willow weaving workshop at St Annes Centre, West End. Jo-Anne Bolton demonstrated willow weaving to us at our October meeting, and this is the follow-up workshop we have organised with her. The time is 10am to 1pm, and the cost £25pp including coffee and scones, and all instruction, tools and materials to make one large, or some smaller, garden supports. There will be a maximum of 12 places. Names to Barbara asap please.

Tuesday, 16 April - Friends Night

John Thexton will give us a flower demonstration entitled Bring me Sunshine. John did our Christmas demonstration some years ago. He lives at Hazel Cottage, Armathwaite, Cumbria,

where he opens his 5 acre garden to the public every year under the NGS, and to groups by arrangement. John is a talented flower arranger/gardener, an area demonstrator ... and an amusing speaker! Please invite friends - £5.

Saturday, 4 May

Please support our annual fund raising event - coffee and cakes in the Town Hall, 10am to 12 noon. Various stalls. Income from the morning helps pay for our annual transport costs for garden visits.

Tuesday, 21 May

41st Birthday Night. Hannah Price runs Wildflower, a floral design studio which specialises in garden style flowers merged with modern simplicity. She is based at Ouseburn, Newcastle, and as well as being in demand to provide flowers for society events, weddings etc., she runs an online shop and workshops throughout the year, and also creates floral arrangements for editorials.

Tuesday, 18 June

Gardening on The Menu. This is a full day visit to Thorny Croft, Thirsk; the home of Martin and Jill Fish at Thirsk. Martin, a professional gardener, TV personality and columnist, gave us a talk in 2018. The visit includes a garden tour at 12 noon, drinks and a hot carvery lunch prepared by Jill, who is a cookery writer. Martin's love of gardening and Jill's love of cooking with fresh garden produce make for the perfect combination. There will be plants for sale. Coach to leave the market place at 10am. Following the garden visit, we will make a stop in Thirsk town centre for shopping/tea before returning home.

Wednesday, 3 July

Flower arranging workshop at St Annes Centre, West End. Emm will lead a workshop to make

fresh summer flowers circlet, or flower crown, both popular at weddings and for proms, etc. This will involve developing both wiring and taping skills. The time is 6.30pm to 8.30pm and the cost will be £20-25 (payable on the night), which includes instruction, flowers, foliage, and wires, etc. There are 20 places and this is open to both members and friends. Names to Emm by Friday 21 June please.

Tuesday, 16 July

Many members will know Dr Satinder Faulkner, who was a partner in the Weardale Practice some years ago. She now lives at Woodside, Killerby, which is set in 12 acres, of which 2 acres have been developed into a garden. It includes a prairie bed, woodland beds, rose garden, over 100 trees, wildlife pond, and vegetable and cut flower beds. The garden is designed to show colour through all seasons. Satinder herself had a stroke over 31 years ago, and she now plans to run social and therapeutic horticultural activities for adults with physical disability and long term conditions. Satinder will give us a tour of her garden. Transport will leave the Market Place at 6.15pm.

Tuesday, 20 August

Chairman's Night.

Friday, 6 September

Charity Lunch at Wolsingham Show Ground. We will be doing flowers on Thursday 5th.

Tuesday, 17 September

Karen Phillips is from Linnels Farm at Hexham, and is a qualified lecturer in horticulture. She is passionate about all aspects of gardening and growing food within the constraints of the Northumberland climate. With colleagues, Karen