

Chairman's Report 2020

Well 2020 has certainly been a very different year to most, along with every other social club our activities stopped very abruptly in late March. We did, somewhat belatedly, organise a very nice garden visit to Janet and Clive Townsend's garden Woodside on the Doward in late August, just in time as it turned out. The weather shined on those of us able to attend and I hope that a very good time was had by everyone. Then the rule of 6 came in and our plans for a September garden outing were cancelled.

Your committee have tried to stay in touch with each other and one meeting was held in August, in Penny's garden/conservatory which led to our garden outing.

Given the current circumstances and the latest lockdown situation I very much doubt that we will be able to hold any indoor meetings during the spring. I really hope that by May we will be able to organise some garden visits and maybe even hold our annual plant sale and tea social, even if it has to be outdoors, provided of course that the rule of 6 is relaxed by then for outdoor activities.

We have thought about Zoom Lectures but not are sure what take up we would get so please let me know if you would be interested, there would need to be a charge.

Many thanks to everyone who sent in their garden pictures, some lovely and very varied plants on display.

As usual I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the committee for their hard work at the start of the year and look forward to their continuing support next year. Thanks also to Chris for continuing to maintain our website, where there are lots of lovely pictures and to Roy Milnes for auditing the accounts.

As already mentioned, circumstances permitting, we will try to organise more garden visits during the forthcoming summer. If anyone has a good idea and would like to organise one just let me know, all help is greatly appreciated.

I hope that you and your families are all well. Many thanks to everyone for continuing to support our club and good gardening.