

## ***SOUTH HEREFORDSHIRE GARDENING CLUB***

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Dear Members,

Welcome to our new Gardening Club. I am writing this first newsletter as Christine is not quite ready to do one yet. I hope you are all keeping warm in this very cold weather and looking forward eagerly to the spring. There are lots of gardens open for the snowdrops and I hope you have managed to visit one.

We have an interesting programme for you this year and I am booking outings for the summer. Our first visit is to Elm Close and Morton Hall on 18 April and this is already nearly booked as we are restricted to 25 people.

Tuesday 5 June 2 pm The Old Vicarage Penrhos, Raglan.

Wednesday 4 July, visit to Sue Russell's garden at Byrcroft, Bircher near Leominster in the morning and Stockton Bury in the afternoon. Sue has lectured to us several times over the years and I'm sure her garden will be well worth visiting. We always enjoy Stockton Bury even if you have been before.

There will be a visit at the end of May and probably another one in June, information to follow.

On May 5<sup>th</sup> we have our Annual Tea and Plant Sale. Hopefully this year will be as successful as last year's with a few extra stalls to complement our own plants. We will be charging £10.00 per table for non-members and £5.00 for members. So please sow some extra seeds, take an extra cutting or two and pot up divisions of your favourite perennials to bring along in May. This is the one fund raising event that the Club holds so lets make it a good one. If any of you can spare a cake then it would be much appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you on 3<sup>rd</sup> March for the talk by Paul Green who many of you will remember.

We are also selling pens and labels in various sizes at cheaper rates.

With best wishes.

Jo Dawson