

Chairman's Chat

The most important thing I have to say this month is a huge thank you to everyone who has helped make this year a success. We are lucky to have a committee like no other you will have seen! They are amazing and I would not have lasted more than a year without their ideas, commitment and "can do" approach. They have all put in many hours to provide a year of excellent meetings and shows and to manage with the calm approach that is always needed for a smooth-running society. I also want to thank our regular helpers, without whom we could not possibly have kept the club going. Enjoy the quieter months, all of you.

Christine, chairman WGA



The AGM was a delightful evening. We have to thank Barbara, Larissa, and Jan, who not only masterminded the catering and payments but served you all with their usual smiles.



42 of you enjoyed an evening of chatting, music, head scratching over the quiz and much wringing of hands when the answers to the DingBats were revealed. Thank you for your wonderful good humour. It made it all worthwhile for us.



Prizes of chocolates or mini wine for each member of the winning team

NEWS

Thank you so much to those of you who offered their help with setting up on club evenings. It's much appreciated and you are now on the "WGA ELVES" list! 😊😊

MEMBERS PHOTOS



Catherine's tomatoes decided to grow noses.



If you have any amusingly shaped veg do share with us. With all the bad news these days we all need a bit of brightening up

THE CALENDAR FOR NEXT YEAR IS ON THE WEB SITE AND PAGE 4 OF THIS NEWSLETTER



UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE WREATH WORKSHOP IS ON PAGE 3 OF THIS NEWSLETTER

RENEWALS FOR 2025

Information on how to renew your membership, which is due on 1st January 2025, will be sent out by Jane in due course. Meanwhile, please think about whether you can help deliver the membership packs in January. If you helped last year, Jane will be in touch. If you can join us to help then please email the admin account or get a message to one of us. Many thanks Christine

The Wreath Workshop



We had a tremendous response to this event and 13 of the 15 places were signed up for at the AGM. The Workshop is now fully booked and we have a waiting list. If you unavoidably cannot attend we may be able to put you in touch with someone who will take your place.

HELPFUL HINTS to help you enjoy the afternoon

- *We will provide non –foliage decorations and ribbon. We also have some secateurs etc, but it will speed things up for you if you bring your own secateurs, wire cutters, scissors.
- *We will bring foliage from our gardens but if you have something you would particularly like to use please feel free to bring it.
- *It would help if you would please bring a black bag for your rubbish, which can then go straight in the outside bin
- * We are providing tea/coffee and a choice of home made mince pies or posh biscuits. Please let me (Christine) know via the admin email if you are gluten free, as I can accommodate this.

HAPPY XMAS!

From all the committee
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



PROGRAMME 2025

**Tuesday 18th February
7 for 7.30pm**

Ray Broughton

Propagation

**Wednesday 12th March
7 for 7.30pm**

Pippa Greenwood
KEY NOTE SPEAKER

**Something Nasty in the
Garden**

**Saturday 5th April
2.30-4.00pm**

SPRING SHOW

**Tuesday 29th April 7 for
7.30pm**

Sarah Squire

tbc

**Wednesday 7th May 7
for 7.30pm**

Belinda Allen

Companion Planting

**Wednesday 18th June
6.00 -8.00pm**

**Joint Garden visit
with Milford**

Witley Manor

**Wednesday 9th July
2.00 -4.00pm**

WGA Garden visit

Plant Passion , Clandon

**Saturday 6th
September 2.30-
4.00pm**

AUTUMN SHOW

**Tuesday 16th
September 7 for
7.30pm**

Ben Pope

**Making the Most of
What You've Got**

**Wednesday 8th
October 7 for 7.30pm**

Jackie Currie

Ornamental Alliums

**Wednesday 12th
November**

AGM