

EVENTS JUNE/JULY 2010

OPEN GARDENS

Bella D'Arcy's garden at 11 Sawyers Rd, Little Totham, Essex, CM9 8JW will be open to the public on June 5th and 6th 12pm-5pm during the Little Totham Flower and Gardens Festival. Tickets and maps from All Saints Church, just outside the village, where there will be a floral display. Tea and cakes available at one of the open gardens.

Gardens of Easton Lodge, Dunmow, Essex, CM6 2BB

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SUNDAY 20 JUNE (FATHER'S DAY)
SUNDAY 18 JULY
SUNDAY 22 AUGUST
SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER
SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER

On each occasion, the Gardens will be open from 12noon until 6pm with last entry at 5pm (subject to weather conditions and nightfall!). Entry is just £2.50 per adult, with children free. Good dogs on leads are welcome!

We are so pleased to share with you the dates on which the Gardens will open to the public during the coming year. They offer many opportunities to enjoy the highlights of this idyllic 23-acre haven through its seasonal changes, from the drifts of spring-flowering narcissi, blue hazes of forget-me-not, muscari and hyacinths, the intoxicating fragrance and vista of the Rose Walk, the heady lavender hedge almost hiding the sunken Italian Garden and, with our superb variety of both native and nonnative trees, culminating in a majestic tapestry of Autumn foliage.

As the Gardens are mainly laid to lawn, they are perfect for picnics (bring seating/rugs), and we will also be offering refreshments and delicious cakes (homemade by our wonderful volunteers), all being served from the cobble-stoned, Peto-designed Courtyard.

Waterperry Gardens, www.waterperrygardens.co.uk

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JUNE 2010

Shakespeare in the Gardens. Wednesday 16th June. 7.30pm.

'The Tempest' performed by the all male company, The Lord Chamberlain's Men. One of Shakespeare's greatest comedies with themes of love, friendship, repentance and forgiveness. The Tempest features some of the Bard's most magical characters; the magician Prospero and his daughter Miranda, Ariel the sprite and the half human Caliban.

Gates open an hour before the performance for picnics. No seating is provided so please bring your own picnic chairs or blankets. Tickets are NON-refundable and the performance will go ahead except in severe weather conditions. Tickets: adults £15, concessions, students and children aged 16 and under £12.

Midsummer Garden Tour and Supper Wednesday 23rd June. 6pm – 9.30pm

Join Horticultural Manager Rob Jacobs on an exclusive evening tour of the ornamental gardens in all their midsummer glory. This magical event includes a buffet supper including wine in the Teashop where you can quiz Rob further about the gardens, gardening and the Waterperry estate. Numbers limited to 30.

Ticket prices: Adults £27.50, concessions, students and children aged 16 and under £25.

JULY 2010

Art In Action.

July 15th – 18th. 10am – 5.30pm each day.

Come to the biggest arts festival of its kind in Europe, when more than 200 artists take over the Waterperry estate. Art in Action gives visitors a unique chance to watch artists demonstrating their skills and even have a go themselves in our hugely popular practical classes. For more information about the event, ticket prices and booking details, visit www.artinaction.org.uk or call 0207 381 3192. Please note Waterperry Gardens and plant centre will be closed to all but Art in Action visitors during this event.

Summer Concert

Saturday 31st July. 6pm – 9pm.

Join us for a relaxing concert of classical music in our outdoor amphitheatre. There's a 75 minute interval to allow you to have a picnic in the ornamental garden and experience the magic of Waterperry on a summer's evening.

Gates open from 5.30pm and cushions will be available. Tickets are non-refundable and the concert will go ahead except in extreme weather conditions. Tickets: Adults £15, concessions, students and children aged 16 and under £12.

Hadlow College hosts three June events – one of which is FREE of charge. All events take place at Hadlow College, Hadlow, near Tonbridge, TN11 0AL

Thursday 10 June: Come to Hadlow College's Broadview Gardens for a Seasonal Walk followed by tea. Join a conducted tour led by head gardener Alex Rennie, who will show you around Broadview Gardens. This will be followed by a delicious tea in Broadview Tearooms. Assemble outside Broadview at 2pm. Telephone 01732 853211 – booking necessary. Tickets cost £7.50.

Thursday 10 to Sunday 13 June: FREE ENTRY

Floral Art in the Garden is an exhibition of floristry sculptures and arrangements designed by floristry groups, artists, sculptors, students and school groups, to name but a few! The interpretation of the theme 'Inspired by Nature' is entirely open to those participating. Come and enjoy a walk around the locally famous gardens and you will be delighted the beautiful floral art which has been created especially for the occasion.

The idea was devised and organised by Hadlow College's multi-award-winning floristry department and entry is free – although donations to the High Five Club are invited. This charity aims to make differences to the lives of people in the developing world.

The 10 acre Broadview Gardens have been created by students and are open to the public, free of charge, 360 days of the year. They include the Suttons Garden, on the edge of Broadview, which was designed and constructed in 2008 for the Devon based seed and plant

specialist. The college undertakes various trials on behalf of Suttons and this means that something new is always happening.

The college's Broadview Tearoom was winner of the 2008 South East Region Rural Enterprise Award and it is open every day from 10am. Wherever possible it uses locally grown, seasonally available ingredients including produce grown on the college campus.

Floral Art in the Garden is on show from Thursday 10 to Sunday 13 June between 9.30am and 5.30pm.

Friday 11 June: In Celebration of Kent

Taking place in the evening, In Celebration of Kent provides an inspiring collection of prose and poetry readings and music – all with a Kent theme. People of all ages, including some well known personalities, will be taking part. The event includes a drinks reception at 7pm with performances starting at 7.30pm. Tickets, costing £18, include a welcoming drink and buffet supper.

The event is organised by Hadlow Provisional Rotary club which is being set up at the college. Profits from the evening will be divided between the High Five Club and the Hospices of Hope charities.

Booking is essential. Cheques should be made payable to Tonbridge Rotary Club and sent with an SAE to Pat Crawford, Hadlow College, Hadlow TN11 0AL. Places are limited in number and early application is advised. Further information from the Broadview Centre: 01732 853211.

WELSH HISTORIC GARDENS TRUST www.whgt.org.uk

The Twenty First Annual General Meeting Sat 5 June Powis Castle, Welshpool



Cost £30 (includes coffee, lunch and admissions)

Cheques payable to WHGT should be sent to: Joy Neal, Llwynceilyn, Glandyfi, Machynlleth, SY20 8SS TeL: 01654 781203

10.00 Coffee and biscuits in Lady Henrietta's restaurant, Powis Castle
10.30 AGM

11.15 Landscape in Welsh Art by Peter Lord

12.30 Lunch in Lady Henrietta's restaurant

2.15-3.45 Vaynor Park Berriew

by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Corbett-Winder

4.00 Glansevern Garden

by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Neville Thomas

Talk and Supper at the National Botanical Gardens of Wales Tuesday 29 June 6.00pm

WHGT are holding a Summer Evening Event at the National Botanical Garden of Wales

5.30pm meet for an Aperitif in the Gallery

6.00pm Official Welcome for the new WHGT Carmarthen Branch followed by

'How will our grandchildren remember us?' Talk by

Peter Harper, Head of Research at the **Centre for Alternative Technology**: Peter will consider Biodiversity in relation to the heritage landscape.

A Buffet Supper in the Courtyard (in the Restaurant if wet!)

Cost £25 including aperitif, buffet supper and coffee

Bookings: Cheques payable to WHGT should be sent to:

Olive Horsfall, Esgairolwyn, Talsarnau, Gwynedd, LL47 6YB by 19th June.

Please include your name address and tel no. or email for confirmation of booking