We had a fabulous time at Warlingham Fair in Mid June and it was good to see so many of you taking an interest in our Society and a pleasure meeting so many of you. Our Tombola gets bigger and better every year, so a big thank you to all of you who contributed garden related prizes for our visitors to win. Through your generosity we sold a record number of tickets and raised an amazing £140!

Just as successful were our Plant Sales; we ‘bought in’ a small number of perennials and bedding plants and you members contributed the rest! We had trays and pots of vegetables, bedding & house plants grown by a wide variety of members to whom we are indebted – so thank you again! Our plant sales contributed just over £160 to the society’s funds!

Add to that eight new members joining and you could say, in the words of the late Lou Reed, it was “just a perfect day”

And finally, of course, we must acknowledge our team of volunteers who gave up part, or all, of their Saturday to help man our stand. So, a very big thank you to David, Pam, Richard, Mark, Stephanie, Claire, Pat, Julie & Brenda for all of your help.
WDHS COACH OUTING

THURSDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL & WEST DEAN GARDENS,

West Sussex

In the morning we visit the 900 years old CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL described by the architectural historian Nikolaus Pevsner, as 'the most typical English Cathedral'. With unique architecture from each century of its life, the Cathedral is both ancient and modern, where original medieval features sit alongside world famous contemporary artworks.

In the afternoon we move on to WEST DEAN GARDENS. Nestled at the foot of the South Downs, West Dean Gardens in West Sussex is one of the greatest restored gardens open to the public today.

Visitors can explore a wide range of historic features on a gentle walk around the grounds. From surreal trees to the restored walled garden, West Dean Gardens proudly presents its rich creative and social heritage.

To book, telephone Derek Butler on 01883 623618.

Cost £33.50.

(includes a guided tour of the Cathedral & entrance to West Dean Gdns).

Coach departs 9.00am outside Park & Bailey Estate Agents. Returns 6.00pm.
**DIARY DATES 2018**

Saturday 21st July 2.00-5.00 pm Banstead Horticultural Society*
SUMMER SHOW, Community Hall, Banstead

Saturday & Sunday 28th/29th July 11am-5pm Art Events Group*
Open Garden Weekend – The Barn, Springbottom Lane, Bletchingley
*Full Details in this News Letter*

Saturday 18th Aug - 2.00-4.00 pm Warlingham & District Horticultural Society:
ANNUAL SHOW Warlingham Church Hall
*Full Details in this News Letter*

Sunday 26th August 2 pm-5pm Warlingham & District Horticultural Society
Private Open Garden – Slines Oak Road, Woldingham
*Full Details in August News Letter*

13th September Warlingham & District Horticultural Society:
Coach Outing to Chichester Cathedral & West Dean Gardens, West Sussex
*Full Details in this News Letter*

EVENTS SHOWN WITH A RED ASTERISK ARE ARRANGED BY ASSOCIATE ORGANISATIONS.

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**TELL US WHERE TO GO IN 2019!**

Have you visited a garden and/or a historic house which you would recommend to our members for one of our coach trips? Ideally it should be within an hour and a half by car from Warlingham [our coach will take around a third longer] and be noteworthy in one way or another. We like to make each outing dual venue, so is there somewhere else under an hour away that you would recommend as well?

We need suggestions and your help would be greatly appreciated.

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**CAN YOU PLEASE HELP?**

We always need volunteers to help at events and an important one coming up is our Annual Show on the 18th August. Do you think that you could spare us a few hours to help with the raffle, or to ‘shadow’ the Judges, recording their comments and awards?

If you can help then please telephone Peter Kerry on 01883 623156 OR simply reply to this email.
Warlingham Church Hall

SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST

It’s that time of the year again and the Annual Show is looming and with your help, we’re looking to make this our biggest and best show ever! There are almost 90 classes to enter so there’s something for everyone—see pages 13-17 of the Yearbook.

Mislaid your copy? Don’t worry, visit our website and click on “Yearbook”

Have you superb vegetables that you are proud of? See classes 1 – 25 [Pages 13-14]. There are also ‘Fun’ classes which include ‘Most Grotesque Vegetable’, ‘Heaviest Potato’ & ‘Longest Runner Bean’! See Classes 32-37 [Page 14].

Do you grow Dahlia’s or have a lovely Rose lurking in the garden? We have 17 classes that you can enter! See Classes 38-54 [Pages 14-15]. Maybe you have a selection of garden flowers including Michaelmas Daisies, Fuchsias or Chrysanthemums; try entering them as cut flowers See Classes 55-62 [Page 15]

Do you have a pot plant that you’re proud of? See Classes 63-69 [Page 15].

Have you got fruit trees or bushes? Then we have five potential classes that you can enter. See classes 26-31 [Page 14].

There are also ten classes for jams and cooking as well as handicrafts including photography [Page 15].

And finally there are eight classes for children too. See Classes 81-88.

NEED SOME GUIDANCE? – SEE PAGES 7-10 for ‘How to present & What to Do’.

Need exhibiting advice? Then CALL DAVID CORAM on 01883 380665

ENTRY FORMS SHOULD BE POSTED OR EMAILED TO OUR SHOW SECRETARY, MARK CORAM, [TEL 01883 380665] TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 9.00pm on WEDNESDAY 15TH AUGUST

POST TO: 34 CREWES AVE, WARLINGHAM CR6 9NY
EMAIL : coramplants@aol.com
OPEN GARDEN WEEKEND
The Barn, Springbottom Lane, Bletchingley RH1 4QZ
SATURDAY 28TH & SUNDAY 29TH JULY
11am – 5pm FREE ENTRY!

With Art Exhibition, Teas and Homemade Cakes, paintings and plants for sale
In aid of The Elizabeth Charitable Fund

DIRECTIONS
From Warlingham, go past Caterham Station & proceed up Church Hill. Turn left into Stanstead Road, go past the Harrow pub and then carry on down Whitehill Lane. Spring Bottom Lane is on the right almost at the bottom of the hill. ‘The Barn’ is a little way down Spring Bottom Lane on the LEFT HAND SIDE just past Quarry Farm.

Contact Linda on 01737 235497
SAVE 30% ON ENTRY TO RHS WISLEY & HYDE HALL
NOT APPLICABLE TO SUNDAY'S

Borrow our PASS and you and one guest can obtain a 30% DISCOUNT on entry to the RHS Gardens at Wisley just off J10 of the M25 as well as Hyde Hall nr. Chelmsford, Essex.

Entry to Wisley is currently £14.50 per person and Hyde Hall, £11.50; so our pass could save two of you between £6.90 & £8.70!

To obtain the pass, phone Derek Butler on 01883 623618.

For more information on winter events at these gardens, click on these live links www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/wisley OR www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/hyde-hall

SAVE 10% AT KNIGHTS GARDEN CENTRES
CHELSHAM & WOLDINGHAM

WDHS members save 10% discount on all gardening related purchases at Knights Chelsham & Woldingham

[Excludes power tools, food, clothing & anything not growing!]

SAVE 10% AT BLACK ORCHID FLORIST
348 LIMPSFIELD ROAD, HAMSEY GREEN Tel 020 8651 6639

Tied bunches of Chrysanthemums and/or Carnations from £10.
Table arrangements from around £20-£25.
WDHS members save 10% discount on quoted prices
[with the exception of funeral flowers].

ALLOTMENT SOCIETY STORES
OPEN SUNDAY MORNINGS ONLY 10.45am-12pm

Through a reciprocal agreement with the Allotment Society, WDHS members can use their stores and purchase fertilisers, weedkillers, canes, string, lawn feed, composts and all those gardening essentials at greatly reduced costs.

Superior multipurpose compost WITH PEAT is just £5 for a 75L bag whilst 20kg of chicken manure pellets is only £8.50; that’s under ½ garden centre prices.

Access is via the track at the side of the Guide Hut in Westhall Road

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