



CARDINHAM GARDENING CLUB
MINUTES of the Committee Meeting held on
Monday 13th October 2008
at Forest View

Present: Libby, Margaret, Mick, Richard, Midge, Loveday, Gill, David, Sue.

Apologies: Pete

Minutes of the meetings held on 28th April and 1st September 2008, as published, were agreed and signed by Libby.

Matters Arising

Tips & Snips Evening: Very good feedback and enjoyed by members. Numbers slightly down on last year, but probably due to people trying to catchup after the summer. Considered to be a very sociable way to re-start our meetings in the Hall after the summer break.

Rosemoor - Apple Day: 22 members went on the trip, leaving the Club to cover £52 of the coach fare. However, this amount would have been lost if the trip had been cancelled, as this was our deposit. Much enjoyed by all who went on the trip.

Christmas Dinner: Tracey Wilson has agreed to be speaker and will charge £20. Sue to contact Tracey regarding her menu choice for the dinner. Libby will host Tracey at the dinner.

Treasurer's Report We have £392 in the bank after paying the cheque for the trip. The RHS subs (£29) and Public Liability Insurance (£61) have been paid. We have not yet paid our Hall fees for the year. (Post meeting note: we are charged £12.50 per session). We also have to pay our November speaker.

2009 Programme

We are concerned that some meetings and trips have not been well attended by members, and that we are not satisfying our membership with what we organise. David distributed a draft questionnaire that he suggested we could put to the membership to try and find out what people do and don't want -- is the timing of trips difficult? Are there problems for people travelling to trips? Agreed to send a questionnaire and draft of the 2009 programme to members prior to the next meeting (Monday the 10th of November) for discussion. Sue to send drafts to the committee for approval.

Decided to hold the AGM on the first Monday in February so that we have plenty of time to remind members about the meeting and it doesn't get confused with all the activities around Christmas and the New Year.

2nd February (Monday) AGM & Quiz. Loveday will look at the PBI quiz that she has to see if it will be suitable.

9th March (Monday) Martin Pallet -- Learning from Gardens in the Past -- Gill.

19th April (Sunday 2 p.m.) Visit to Blisland Gardens -- Mick to speak to George Loveridge and confirm.

11th May (Monday) Visit to Pengelly Garden Centre -- workshop on container planting. 6:30pm supper (soup & sandwich), 7:30pm to 9 p.m. workshop. Arrange lifts to Hewaswater. Cost £10 per person -- Libby.

12th - 14th June (Friday to Sunday) 2-night visit to Great Dixter and Wisley. Loveday to investigate costs and availability with Omega.

17th or 24th July (Friday 6:30pm) "Pasties in the Park" -- visit to Lanhydrock to see the herbaceous planting and guided tour -- Gill.

14th September (Monday) "Tips & Snips" -- Midge.

12th October (Monday) Henry Kendall -- Bees -- Mick.

9th November (Monday) Christian Lamb -- Plant Hunters -- Richard.

4th December (Friday) Christmas dinner.

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Loveday has tickets for the RHS raffle, which she will offer at the next meeting.

Christmas dinner: Gill will organise the raffle, £20 spend.

Mick to investigate the availability of the sound system.

We will use the same table layout as last year with a speaker in the middle opposite the fire doors.

Sue to agree the menu with Ann Curtis, and send out to members.

Sue will print menus and name places as before.

Hall tubs: Margaret and Midge will make them up for the winter, and use some evergreen planting to reduce the work.

Our Public Liability certificate needs to be on display, Loveday will arrange for it to go on one of the hall noticeboards.

Henry Kendall will do a brief update on his talk on insecticides at the start of the next meeting.

Midge suggested a Cardinham & Warleggan Garden Share Scheme, such as the one recently discussed on local news programmes. Such a scheme would allow people with large gardens who either couldn't or didn't want to tend them share the garden with people who didn't have gardens themselves, but who wanted to do gardening. Mick will write up the scheme for publication in the Cardinham and Millpool community magazine. Midge will be the main contact, and we will also send details to the Bodmin Allotment Association and put up posters.

Date of Next Meeting Monday 17th November at The Old School House.

Thanks to Sue for hosting the meeting. Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Minutes Agreed

Signed

Date