



NEWSLETTER

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This Months meeting will be held on Thursday 24th November, at the Village Hall, Church Road, Rawreth, SS11 8SH at 8pm.

Doors open 7:30

This Month we welcome back Jon Evans with the next part of his talk, 'Wild Flowers, Moving off the chalk Pt.2'

Thanks for a great talk last month Mike but I have some questions that I think other people may wonder and have thoughts about.

Do you set out to make certain crosses or are they random. When and how do you collect the seed.

Do you sow straight away while seed is fresh, or wait.

What do you sow in, pots, pans, compost etc.

Do you sow outdoors or under glass, heat etc.

I would have liked to have asked these on the night but unfortunately we would not have had time.

So maybe a follow up, talk and/or article sometime please.

This is the last newsletter of the year. Next one will be in January which will include all the details of the AGM and hopefully a programme for next year. As you may know speakers are getting hard to get, many do not want to travel and prefer to give talks on Zoom, which is no good to us as a group, so if anyone is willing to give a talk at one of our meetings or knows someone who will, please see Jean at the next meeting

Comment from Mike.

The AGS journal will be digital next year, the December issue is the last to be printed, the cost of print is the same as the society lose so it is being done to balance the books, just hope it's not going to stop anyone re-joining.

Where does this leave those without computers?



*MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
EVERYONE*





MONTHLY COMPETITION 2023

JANUARY, ANY ALPINE. {1 Class only}

EVERY MONTH FROM FEBRUARY THERE WILL BE TWO CLASSES FOR EACH OF THE OPEN, INTERMEDIATE and NOVICE SECTIONS.

CLASS 1, ANY ALPINE { Excluding those in class 2}

CLASS 2,

FEBRUARY, GALANTHUS OR NARCISSUS.

MARCH, PRIMULA OR SAXIFRAGE

APRIL, SAXIFRAGE

MAY, LEWISIA

JUNE, CAMPANULA

JULY, SEMPERVIVUM

AUGUST, DWARF CONIFER

SEPTEMBER, ALPINE, SHOWING SEED, BERRY OR AUTUMN FOLIAGE

OCTOBER, CYCLAMEN

NOVEMBER, DWARF SHRUB



I work as gardener for Mr Wilkin of Wilkin and Son (Tiptree Jam). Behind the factory, a gentleman is renting a south facing field to grow organic *Crocus sativus*. He is experimenting with larger scale container growing.

He let me photograph one days flowers, above right.
(he picks and processes daily).

Debbie Leonard.

Plants from the October Competition.
Photos of the November Competition will be in the January 2023 newsletter.
The Monthly Competition schedule for 2023 will be the same as this years. {page4}
January 2023 1 Class only, Any Alpine.

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