

Oxenhope

Gardening Club News

March 2019



Welcome to the March newsletter

Annual Report 2018.

I am happy to report that we finished the financial year with a surplus of **£153**. This is entirely due to members' generous contributions to the annual plant sale, raffle, teas and magazines. Without this extra income we would have been in deficit as our income from subscriptions was £990, but our outgoings including speakers' fees were

£1.484. This year we have raised the subscription fee to ensure a more secure income and to continue to offer quality and interesting speakers. But don't stop buying those raffle tickets! Thank you all!

Sandra

Spring Perennials

The speaker for March will be Rosy Hardy

Rosy is the founder of Hardy's Cottage Plants and a regular Gold Medal winner at Chelsea. Rosy will be talking about spring perennials and will

also be giving a demonstration. There will be an opportunity to buy plants from her nursery.

March Blues

Corydalis is a lovely spring flowering plant, native to the Northern Hemisphere; in Greek, the name Corydalis means `crested lark`.

There are about 470 species, both annual and perennial and will grow both in sun and in partial shade. Many of the species have



brilliant blue flowers which look stunning especially when combined with Scillas

Where to see

At the moment, along with scillas, they are just coming into flower on the bank behind the Bath House at Harlow Carr.

Gardening news and events

Harlow Carr

On Tuesday, March 19 there will be **free entry** to Harlow Carr as part of the annual RHS Spring community event

From 6 March to 9 April there is an exhibition of textiles in the Bath House.

In the RHS library from March 9 to 28 April, there is an exhibition of early plant hunters who explored China and Tibet

Beningbrough Hall

Some of the 300,000 bulbs that were planted in the garden in 2016 are now looking magnificent. **Free entry to RHS members from March to October.**

Any members willing to contribute?

We would love to include your garden/plant stories in the newsletter!



We also would be grateful for anyone willing to help sell raffle tickets, or help with teas and coffee. This gives our usual stalwarts a chance to chat to friends or browse the plants.

If you can help please sign the rota sheet on the refreshment counter.

Or ring Ruth or Kath if you can help:

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