

# Eddisbury and Sandiway Flower Club

## Newsletter August 2021



### Garden Party 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021

What a fabulous turn out we had for our "Garden Party" which became an indoor event due to the dreadful weather. The phones lines were running hot between the Committee by 8.30 am. We all agreed we could not go ahead because of the wet/cold/health and safety. What a to do!!

However, our new venue, Owley Wood Recreational Club saved the day. After a phone call at 9.30am they agreed we could hold the event there. The Committee started ringing around to tell members about the change of venue, gathered what we needed and by 1.30 we were ready for our 2pm start. Incredibly everyone we were expecting turned up and 43 of our 58 members were there. What a lovely afternoon we had. There was a real "feel good" factor and many of you have written to say thank you. The new venue was also a great success. The staff really could not have done more to help us out, especially Mel who was on duty that day. Thank you for all your help Mel. We look forward to working with you and Ray in the future.

Here is a small sample of the messages we have received. Thank you so much for taking the time to write. We really appreciate the feedback and are pleased to read the positive comments about the new venue.

*What a lovely revised event it was. Such a fantastic feat for you all on the committee to get it in place for a 2pm start!*

*I thoroughly enjoyed it and look forward to getting to regular meetings at such an improved venue. Thanks again to you and the others,*

*Congratulations Anne and your hard working enthusiastic committee.*

*What a lovely return to something very close to "normal".*

*It was good to see so many familiar faces, and have a catch up and laughs too with flower club friends.*

*You couldn't have done better. No problem with Owley Wood. Excellent venue.*

*I would like to thank you and all your Committee for putting on such a wonderful event yesterday. It was so lovely to see everyone again and also to "view" our new home for the Flower Club – it looks great and much better than the Church Hall.*

*The Afternoon Tea was delicious and such a treat on a miserable day.*

*Thank you so much for organising such a lovely afternoon. It was so nice to see everyone again and catch-up on news. The new venue is going to be ideal, everyone enjoyed the wonderful afternoon tea and what a response you had to the event.*

Our President, Sue Williams, presented Chairman, Anne Walton with a beautiful acer, garden pot and chocolates from the Committee and Members. It was a thank you gift in recognition of the work Anne has done over the last two years to keep the club going and to keep the members informed.

Anne Writes:

*“Thank you to all the Committee and Members for the beautiful gift. It was totally unexpected but very much appreciated. However, I would like to stress that I could not have achieved anything without the invaluable support of the Committee. We are a TEAM and everyone plays their part and works extremely hard for the Club. Also both the Committee and I have had terrific support and encouragement from our members who appreciate the efforts made to ensure we actually have a flower club to return to after the pandemic. It is a privilege to be a part of the Club and to do what I can do ensure our future. Thank you and Best Wishes to you all.”*

*Anne Walton: Chairman*



**Happy Birthday Ann Davies!**

**Our longest serving member, Ann Davies was 90 on 8<sup>th</sup> August. She has also been a member of our club for over 50 years. We couldn't let such a milestone pass without some recognition. Here is a picture of Ann with the “Happy Birthday” flowers she received from the Club. Ann thanked everyone at the Garden Party and told us she had a lovely day with her family. Congratulations Ann and Happy Birthday from us all.**

**WE WILL BE BACK.....and we can't wait!**

Our first demonstration since the start of the pandemic will be at 2PM on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021** in our **NEW VENUE** Owley Wood Recreational Club, Barrymore Road Weaverham CW8 3LS. The demonstrator is Dorothy Monks.

Also please support our AGM on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October.....yes with cake!

(PS: Don't forget to send in your photos for the Club competition.)