



The New Perennial Movement

Join us at October **All About Gardening** to hear Robyn Kilty talk about this intriguing movement

October Events *The Kiosk & beyond...*

Woodend Flower Show

Saturday 5 October 1-4pm
Woodend Community Centre
\$2 entry, children free

Oderings Shopping Night

Wednesday 9 October 4-6pm
Oderings Barrington
92 Stourbridge Street
Great discounts, cafe open. Available to all CHS members (2019 membership card required for purchases).

Green Thumbs Radio

Monday 14 October 9am
Catch up with CHS President Ray King and Annette Hill on Plains FM 96.9. Interesting interviews and great gardening advice. www.chsgardens.co.nz/latest-podcasts-radio-stories

Banks & Solander

Friends of the Botanic Gardens
The Kiosk, Botanic Gardens
11 October – 3 November 10am – 4 pm
Images of plant specimens in the Banks & Solander Collection
Kindly lent by the Allan Herbarium, Manaaki Whenua-Landcare Research

Sunday 20 October 4pm
Banks & Solander NZ Flora Collections
Ewen Cameron

(Curator Auckland Museum)
\$5 CHS Members \$10 Non Members

Free Daily Guided Walk

Daily, October 19 - 27 at 11am
See plants named for Banks or Solander in NZ Native section.
Meet at The Kiosk (approx. 45 minutes)

Wednesday 23 October 7pm
1769 Garden - Creation and Curation
Malcom Rutherford
(Commemorating the first landing and collection of NZ flora by Banks and Solander)
\$5 CHS Members \$10 Non Members

Yates National Gardening Week

21 - 28 October
www.yates.co.nz/nationalgardeningweek

Festival of Walking

28 September - 13 October
A great way to celebrate Spring with more than 50 walks on offer. Collect a brochure from The Kiosk.

Q & A at The Kiosk

Summer Hours : every day 10am-4pm
One-on-one gardening advice with volunteers from the CHS and Friends of the Botanic Gardens.

All About Gardening October

Monday 7th 7pm & Tuesday 8th 9.45am

Robyn Kilty
The New Perennial Movement

This 'movement' reflects a sustainable way of gardening using grasses and perennials growing together to create a natural 'field'.

It focuses on selecting the right plants – perennials and grasses - and ensuring they are grouped aesthetically so that they require minimal use of resources.

It's also about which species make good neighbours both ecologically and aesthetically and which thrive together in a particular climate and/or geographic situation.

This talk is followed by *Gardening Half Hour* with Michael Coulter.

The Kiosk, Christchurch Botanic Gardens (just over the footbridge from the Armagh St car park).

\$5 members \$10 non-members
Includes tea, coffee & biscuits

MARGARET WATLING FLORAL ART DEMONSTRATION

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 7PM

Be amazed by the extraordinary creations of Franca Logan of Florienne
The Kiosk, Christchurch Botanic Gardens
www.chsgardens.co.nz/skyisthelimit

Online ticket sales from 1 October \$50 pp

Ramblers August

Burnside's Ramble in late August was a frosty start followed by a bright clear day.

There was a good group out for the Ramble from Juniper Reserve through Sir William Pickering Industrial Park and surrounding streets.

A mature industrial area of large trees and clever landscaping greeted the Ramblers this morning.

A brisk cool easterly wind greeted Ramblers for the Ramble from Halswell Domain.

A good pace kept the group warm as we threaded our way around streets named after early Canterbury Pioneers, Prime Ministers and Commissioners.



Chrysanthemums

Chrysanthemum Workshop Part 2

Saturday 23 November 1.30pm

The Kiosk
Christchurch Botanic Gardens

Potting on and stopping. General cultural notes, stopping of Chrysanthemum Plants.

Free, all welcome

Garden Club Reps

Tuesday 8 October 12.30pm

The Kiosk
Christchurch Botanic Gardens

Junior Gardeners

Thursday 17 October 3.45 - 5pm

The Kiosk
Christchurch Botanic Gardens

Fruit & Vegetables

Wednesday 30 October 7.30pm

The Kiosk
Christchurch Botanic Gardens

Managing a Small Fruit and Vegetable Garden, Ray King.

A Visual Guide to Gardening through the Year with Phil Ducker No. 3
New members welcome

Wonderful Weeds

September's Eat Your Weeds workshop hosted by Cathy Bouma of Tuahiwi Herbs was a sell-out success. Thirty participants enjoyed Cathy's lively presentation and demonstration of various weed-inspired foods and flavours. Everyone enjoyed the herbal infused teas and went away inspired to experiment for themselves.

Stinging Nettle Pesto

3 c of nettles (young shoots are best)	1/3 c nuts (pine nuts, hazelnuts or walnuts)
1/3 c olive oil	3 cloves garlic
1/2 c grated parmesan cheese	1/2 tsp salt

Wearing gloves, gather 6 cups of stinging nettles. Put into a pot of boiling water for 1 minute, then put into a bowl of iced water. Dry thoroughly with a salad spinner (or a towel). Put nettle leaves, olive oil, parmesan, nuts, garlic and salt and pepper into a food processor and blend until smooth.

Chickweed & Smoked Garlic Pesto

3 c chickweed
3 - 4 cloves smoked garlic
1/3 c pine nuts (optional)
1/3 c olive oil
1/2 - 1 tsp salt

Combine all ingredients in a food processor. Season to taste with salt.

Garden Pesto (Dairy Free)

4 bunches (300g) herbs - fennel, parsley, chickweed	200 gm cashew nuts
5 cloves peeled garlic	1 c olive oil
2 tsp salt	1/4 tsp black pepper
	Juice of 1/2 lemon
	1/4 cup cold water

Toast the cashews in a pan until golden. Leave to cool. Put cashews, garlic, salt, pepper, lemon juice and 1/2 cup olive oil in a food processor and blend. Add herbs and blend more. While blending slowly add the water and remaining olive oil. Taste and add more salt and pepper if needed.

Herb of the Month

Jerusalem Artichoke - helianthus tuberosus

Have you got a sunny empty spot at the back of your garden? You may like to try this ancient tuberous sunflower species grown by native Americans long before the arrival of Europeans.

It is an attractive tall growing perennial with sunflower heads up to about 10cm across. It grows from white underground tubers that are rich in inulin, can be eaten raw, or cooked. They also make a delicious soup which tastes a little like oyster soup. It was taken to Europe and became very popular there in the 1600s.

Despite the name, the plant has nothing to do with either Jerusalem or with artichokes! Another old European name, Sunchoke is more appropriate!

It is easy to grow. Ask at a meeting for a contact to obtain tubers.

Canterbury HERB Society

Next Meeting: Thursday 24 October 10am

Avic Hill Arts and Craft Centre
395 Memorial Ave

All Welcome



A mix of interesting gardens with native plantings along natural waterway walking tracks.

October sees the Ramblers exploring Hagley Park and North New Brighton.

www.chsgardens.co.nz/ramblers



Ramblers

Tuesday 15 October 9.45am

Hagley Park

Meet in Armagh St car park near The Kiosk

Tuesday 29 October 9.45am

North New Brighton

Meet Beach Rd / Britannia St Cnr

No walk if wet. FREE

2019 Programme:

www.chsgardens.co.nz/ramblers



Floral Design

Wednesday 16 October 2pm

The Kiosk, Christchurch Botanic Gardens
New members welcome.

October's meeting will look at the *Shape of the Container*

See the latest creations online:

<https://flic.kr/s/aHsm3HUR3N>

Monthly Tips & Tasks with Michael Coulter

This Spring is bringing the usual mixture of warm and cold weather - potentially a problem for the garden as we start to get ready for the planting and sowing time.

To get the most from our plants we should really wait until conditions are consistent for the soil and the weather to settle down.

The Spring bulbs are in full bloom and will benefit from a fertiliser to build up the bulb for next season; removing spent flowers will also help.

Spring flowering trees and shrubs should be pruned straight after flowering to ensure good growth for the next season's flowers.

Summer perennials may still be divided up and replanted. Many Summer bulbs

and corms will be starting to make new shoots, some of which can be used to make cuttings to refresh or increase plants (Dahlias and Begonias are examples). Gladiola corms may be planted in succession to give a longer flowering display.

Summer annuals may be planted from the end of the month onwards. As the warmer weather starts a good mulch around the garden to help soil moisture and to suppress weeds will be of great benefit.

In the fruit and vegetable garden we can start to anticipate what is needed to do for the best returns from the garden. Fruit trees will need to be treated for pest and diseases. Prevention is the most effective

method so look at the plants for any signs and act immediately.

Most vegetable crops can be sown or planted from now on, but wait for warmer weather for the tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, pumpkins, etc.

The lawns are growing fast so mow often and do not allow them to get too long, this will help them to stay green.

The grass may be treated for broad leaf weeds and moss, after which a fertiliser will keep the grass healthy.

New lawns which are laid now will get established well before the very hot weather arrives.

Happy Gardening, Michael

Members Shopping Evening

Wednesday 9 October 4-6pm, 92 Stourbridge Street

Shoppers must present a valid 2019 CHS Membership card.

Kowhai Café will stay open for tea & coffee, cakes & slices. Why not gather some friends for afternoon tea before you shop!



ODERINGS
GARDEN CENTRES
BARRINGTON

HELLO SPRING
SAVINGS

2 hour exclusive shopping night for CHS Members!

It's that time of year again when Oderings Garden Centre welcome CHS Members to an exclusive shopping night. Everything* except items already discounted will be **reduced by 20%**. Stock up on the essentials or treat yourself to some new tools. And don't forget the plants - roses, shrubs, bedding, even trees!

Excludes: gift card purchases, glasshouses, sauna, Cuchi furniture and pots, leafcutter and bumble bee live colony cards and houseplants. No further discount off already discounted items. No Oderings Club Cards can be swiped at time of purchase.



Yates Budding Young Gardener

A national search is on for young kiwi gardeners who have a passion for plants and dig gardening.

The competition is open to children aged 5-15 years who love spending time in the garden growing things.

The lucky winner will become a Yates ambassador for one year and win an amazing family trip to Hawaii!

www.yates.co.nz/budding-young-gardener
Entries close Sunday 6 October 2019.

Coming up at All About Gardening

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th 7pm & Tuesday 5th 9.45am

Juliet Arnott Rekindle

Rekindle focus on transforming undervalued resources through care, connection and craft, this being the opposite of wastefulness.

From 2012-15 Rekindle made furniture from houses that were demolished in the earthquakes.

Founder Juliet Arnott will talk about the

ethos and journey of the organisation since its inception in 2010.

DECEMBER

Monday 2nd 7pm & Tuesday 3rd 9.45am

Christine Blance Canterbury Community Gardens Association

The Kiosk, Christchurch Botanic Gardens (over footbridge - Armagh St car park).

Members: \$5 Non-members: \$10
Tea, coffee and biscuits included



We want your Problems!

Have a gritty garden problem you can't solve — or just need some general advice?

Bring your questions to our monthly AAG meeting, post them on **HortTalk** or email Michael directly a day or two before the meeting. coulтчrys@xtra.co.nz

[Facebook.com/groups/CHSHortTalk](https://www.facebook.com/groups/CHSHortTalk)

