

Review of 2024

January Coffee Social and Seed Swap— We swap our venue for this event to the Methodist Church Hall on the Brunswick.

Visit to Lanhydrock in April—A joint trip with the U3A Garden and Gateaux group and Dawlish Walkers by train into Cornwall to visit this National Trust house and gardens with a walk through the grounds to and from Bodmin Parkway Station.



The Spring Flower Show and AGM- A great turn out for the show, with many new and regular entrants

Tony Buckland's Garden Festival, Powderham -The society purchased 25 group tickets again for the show, which were snapped up

Spring plant sale -Another very successful plant sale in May outside the Strand Centre, where we sold £1,500 of plants.



Turn the Tide- The society ran a large stall at this environmental event held on The Lawns in June. There was information on sustainable gardening with the theme of gardening for birds, and of course plants for sale.



Private visit to NGS garden in Teignmouth—In July we enjoyed wine and cheese whilst wandering around this lovely garden on the cliffs overlooking the sea in Teignmouth, whilst helping to raise money for the NGS charities.

Dawlish in Bloom—The garden society included this photographic event within the summer show, asking for photographs of My Garden, and A Container. The visitors to the show voted on their favourite and two of the committee won both categories.



Summer Show and plant sale—The Summer Show was very well supported with over 400 entries, the deputy mayor and the Town Crier attended, along with our newly elected MP.

Carnival float—The society took part in the carnival parade again in 2024, we were joined by Bill and Ben and Little Weed in the float, made by Roger and Steve with Pam Brown making Little Weed. Members wore floral hats and danced around the route, with their collection buckets.

Coach Trip to Wells Bishop's Palace and Gardens—In September, along with the U3A Gateaux and Gardens Group and the Dawlish Walkers, 50 people went to these beautiful gardens and house and enjoyed the market town of Wells.

Planted Crocus—Society members planted out 1,500 crocus. 1,000 under the trees on the Lawns and 500 at the Manor. 165 snowdrops in the green will be planted at the Manor in February 2025

Autumn plant sale— Another successful sale of plants, on a blustery but dry October Day

Christmas Tree Festival - The Garden Society entered a tree for St Gregory's Festival in December, with the decorations all in a garden theme, some new this year and some from last year all crafted by our members. We came third in the public vote for favourite tree.

