



FHS Newsletter December 2024

Welcome to the December newsletter with details of the Society's activities for the rest of the year and into 2025.



Thanks for Scarlett for the photo of her Christmas wreath.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Monthly talks

We listened to a very interesting talk by Tim Ingram at our November meeting. We should try and visit his garden in Faversham this coming year. The dates will be given at the end of this newsletter. It is great to have this lovely garden in our neighbourhood.

On the 29th of November a few of us enjoyed a relaxing evening with Mandy Rickard making some Christmas delights. We had a lot of fun making herbal teabags with Mandy's own herbs and then made some pots of beautiful body balm. We thank Mandy for providing us with this experience.

In December we look forward to a "Gerri Quiz" – a fun evening with nibbles! As usual we will have a raffle – donations for this are always welcome. Don't forget we meet a week earlier

this month, on **11th December**, so you all have plenty of time for your other Christmas events.

January is the time of reflection of the previous year at our Annual General Meeting, giving the opportunity to hear about our events planned for 2025. Hopefully many of you will come along and support the committee as we come to the end of our year. We do hope you will vote for us to continue into the next year. The January meeting will be back to the third Wednesday of the month, on the **15th**. We do not ask for a contribution for this meeting, but donations are always welcome. Attached to the newsletter is the Notice of the AGM and the Agenda.

We have a raffle at each of our monthly meetings. Any contributions towards this are welcome and remember to bring a spare £1 to have a go. We need to find ways to raise money and this helps to do that in a small way.

Q E School Project

We will continue supporting the school project for another year and Gillian, one of our members, is now the link person between the school (students and teachers) and ourselves. Gillian will give a short presentation of what has been happening at the school at the AGM.

Spring Show 2025

It is not too early to start thinking about our next Show. This will take place on 22nd March. The schedule is on the website and hard copies are now available. If you have any questions, please ask Judith. Now is the time to plant Spring bulbs to show or to start a new item of handicraft. Let's make it a bumper show!

We know we continually repeat ourselves, but once again the tombola is very much depleted. It is a good way of raising funds for the Society, so if you can donate anything please do. You can bring any items along to the monthly meeting.

Events for 2025

Our proposed events for 2025 will be shared at the AGM. Hopefully many of you will be able to support these as the committee work hard to try and find exciting and different activities for our members.

Finally

January is the time to re-join the Faversham Horticultural Society. Unless you complete the application form, either in person or on-line by the end of March 2025, you will be removed from the membership database in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Society.

You can pay with cash, card or by bank transfer. Bank details are: Account name: Faversham Horticultural Society, sort code: 56 00 51, account number: 00548626. The Annual subscription remains at £15.

Remember that we have a website – www.favershamhorticulturalsociety.org – and we are moving towards more presence on Facebook and Instagram. Please connect with us and help spread the word by sharing posts.

Committee Members 2024

Chairperson – Judith Foulkes – 07710 521462 (leave a message).

Treasurer – John Mulford.

Secretary – Pamela Scott.

Other committee members – Mary Cole, Barbara Brenchley, Carolyn Marriott, Gerri Ford.

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Open days in 2025

Sunday 2nd February 12 to 4 pm

Sunday 16th February 12 to 4 pm

Sunday 30th March 12 to 5 pm

Easter Sunday and Monday 20th/21st April

Sunday and Monday 25th/26th May