

## **LITTLE WALTHAM GARDENING CLUB**

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### **“DARLINGS OF THE SHADE GARDEN – MY MUST HAVE PLANTS”**

#### **BY Lynne Moore of Moore & Moore Plants**

Lynne a very knowledgeable plantswoman, has five Gold Awards at Chelsea and is obviously very passionate about her plants. Lynne has started exhibiting with the RHS in 2017. Her nursery is located in Billericay and was founded by Lynne in 2004

She has a shady garden and sandy soil and as a trained garden designer loves to design a garden full of texture and colour, flowering in Spring and Autumn as the canopy comes and goes. She went on to describe with beautiful images on the screen, her current favourites as follows:-

BRUNNERA a more silvery leaf, better drought resistant and good for dry gardens.

ASSURUM (wild ginger) Good ground cover

ASTRANTIA ROMA – Easy to grow, good pollinators, likes clay soil

The following plants she names fell into three groups:-

ATHYRIUM (A lady fern type) - Ghost - Lady In Red - Otopherum var. okanum

DISPURUM (Related to Solomons Seal) - Moonlight (variegated) - Night Heron (flowers like Solomons Seal) - Sessile Variegatum (variegated)

AMSONIA Blue flowers for Autumn colour, (Grown at Green Islands Nursery)

HARDY GERANIUM VARIATIONS - Phaeum (good in shade with dark burgundy flowers, good pollinators) - Cantab Rigiensa - Oxonianum

THALICTRUM - Tukkar Princess - Black Stockings - Splendide White (flowering April May and June)

TROLLIUS Globe Flowers - Cheddar - Golden Queen - Alabaster . Bees love them and easy to grow from seed.

POLYMONIUM (Jacobs Ladder) - Golden Feathers (variegated) - Bressingham Purple (a dark leaved variety) - Stairway to Heaven (variegated)

Individual Species:-

SARIMA HENRY – Yellow Flower with heart shaped leaf

CHASMANTHIUM LATIFOLIUM - a North American Grass – a bamboo like clumping plant

PENSTEMON SMALII – like partial shade, lilac and white flowers

VANCOUVERIA HEXANDRA (inside out flower) evergreen fernlike foliage, forms clumps

PIMPINELLA MAJOR ROSEA - Good pollinator, candy floss pink flowers

ADIANTUM VENSTUM – Angle fern, very delicate

LAMIUM ORVALA Big flowers, good pollinator and self seeds well

CALAMAGROSTIS BRACHYTRACHA Korean feather tail grass

LUNARIT REDIVIVA Perennial Honesty with pale lilac flower, transparent crescent shaped seed head, doesn't like sun prefers partial shade

ARUNCUS HORATIO Loves Clay soil, grows to 6 – 7 ft. – known as Goats Beard, fern like foliage, red stems

As well as a really interesting talk Lynne had also brought along a fabulous selection of plants for sale and made available some very interesting leaflets with plants lists for deep shade, partial shade and sunny positions.

After the talk and lovely refreshments the raffle was called and the lovely prizes sourced by Jean and Keith were claimed. The Presidents Award for five perennial blooms was won by Maggie Williams