

HIARA MEETING – FRIDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2022-

Liz Jeffery, our Chairman, welcomed members to the meeting and was also pleased to welcome our speaker, Sue Shaw.

Liz drew out attention to the “outings” table and recommended the Spring trip to Normans Bay for lunch at the “Star” Inn - £38 – and the pick up point is Taylors Lane.

Our Christmas lunch this year will be at The Knowle on 14 December and a £10 deposit is needed.

Liz was pleased to announce that at the next Hiara meeting, we will welcome Sheila Buckley from our 2021 Charity to receive our cheque.

We then greeted our speaker, Sue Shaw, a qualified florist, who volunteered to represent NADFAS with an exhibit at the Chelsea Flower Show which after much discussion was entitled “Nature’s Kaleidoscope”. The Group needed to raise a large amount of money (£12,000) for a series of metal rings and of course the flowers and foliage. The team worked from dawn to dusk in the marquee on the days before the opening day and Sue showed us many slides of the result which she was pleased to tell us won a “Silver Gilt” certificate which they were very proud of and well deserved.

Sue then displayed her many slides of the various exhibits at Chelsea which has tempted members to pay a visit to the Show later in the Spring.

We all thoroughly enjoyed Sue’s visit to Higham and after one or two questions thanked her for sharing with us her “Chelsea” memories.

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