

Wildflower Group

January 2020, Report by Rose Pude

Nineteen members came to the meeting on the 30th January which was lunch at Clarendons in Barnard Castle. This was our first meeting since October so we enjoyed having a chat with each other. Rose gave a brief speech thanking everyone for the enthusiasm they have shown with the activities we do. She also mentioned the assistance she had received from Ruth Stables, who set the group up and ran it for the first three years and Bruce Shepherd for looking after the finances, writing up many of the meeting reports and, hardest of all, recording all our finds. Many other members helped by leading a walk, typing up the list of flowers found, preparing the Rolling Programme shown before the monthly meeting, suggesting places we could visit and helping arrange talks. The group could not function without all the help members have given me. We are all looking forward to walks we will be doing later in the year. The programme is on the U3A website page for the Wildflower Group.

Next meetings:

Fri 27th March. The Magic of Leaves: Secrets Revealed, a talk given by Jenny Selley. Meet at the Methodist Church Barnard Castle, reception area at 10am. £2 fee includes refreshments. This will be an amusing as well as interesting and informative talk.

Friday 24th April. Our first outdoor meeting of the year. Meet. Meet B/Castle end of silver (water) bridge for a walk in Flatts Wood looking at the spring flowers. The bluebells should be magnificent! £1 fee.