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HGS Open Gardens

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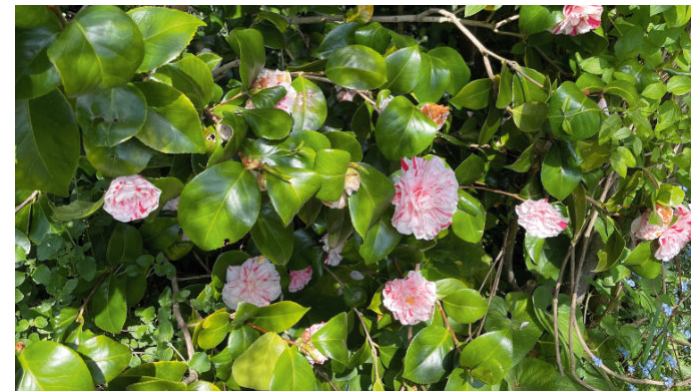
Joan Arnold and Tom Heinersdorff kindly opened their lovely garden in Deansway N2 under the National Garden Scheme on Sunday 8 May. It was a great pleasure to be able to visit and meet Suburb friends all enjoying themselves. The garden is cottage style with shrub and climbing roses, clematis, a tamarisk in full bloom, a beautiful camellia with 'raspberry ripple' blooms to name just a few. I particularly love the Saxifraga Urbium (London Pride) edging the central bed complementing the statuesque deep purple lupins which remained slug free which I never seem to manage.

Cakes and tea were proving very popular. So, to the plants for sale and Tom's very attractive wooden bowls which he makes himself and were being sold to raise money for the North London Hospice.

Tom and Joan were delighted that more than 275 people attended: over £2,450 was raised for NGS Charities and £1,550 for North London Hospice. Joan is actually the NGS volunteer for the Hampstead area and it was a real privilege to be able to enjoy this lovely garden.

Other local gardens open under the NGS scheme include – *Sunday 19 June 2-6pm*: 92 & 100 Hampstead Way (both new entries; I can promise you they are both real treats). *Saturday 25 June 2-5pm*: Marie Curie Hospice Gardens at 11 Lyndhurst Gardens. *Sunday 3 July 1.30 -5.30pm*: 74 Willifield Way. 48 Erskine Hill (open by prior arrangement until September; contact 8455 6507).

There are numerous gardens open under the NGS scheme listed in the London booklet available at any of the open gardens or at local garden centres. More information at ngs.org.uk.



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