

Upper Nar Gardeners' Report to the Parish Meeting 2022

Upper Nar Gardeners (UNG) is an informal group of people interested in gardens and gardening. Most of us in the group live in the approximate region of the upper River Nar - hence the group's name - though some come from further afield. There is no formal membership and no membership fee. Events, such as gardening talks and garden visits, are organised at cost and announced via email. In addition, events are listed on the excellent and informative website. It has been in the last calendar year that the website has been developed, including Kathy's Garden Diary, a gardening calendar, various reference information and citizen science projects. A very useful resource.

Despite the pandemic the group has been able to enjoy a number of events over the past year when it has been safe to do so. These included a visit in June 2021 to the beautiful garden of Thorpland Hall in Fakenham. This was followed by a successful Summer Social held at Game Farm in August. We then had a very interesting visit to the garden at Severals Grange at Wood Norton in September. All events were well supported. A snowdrop walk was planned for February this year but was, unfortunately, cancelled, due to severe weather conditions. Earlier this month, the group visited Natural Surroundings near Holt for a guided tour around a garden/reserve developed for wildlife.

In a few weeks time, on 3rd July, we will be holding Mileham Open Gardens for the first time since 2017. Details are on the website.