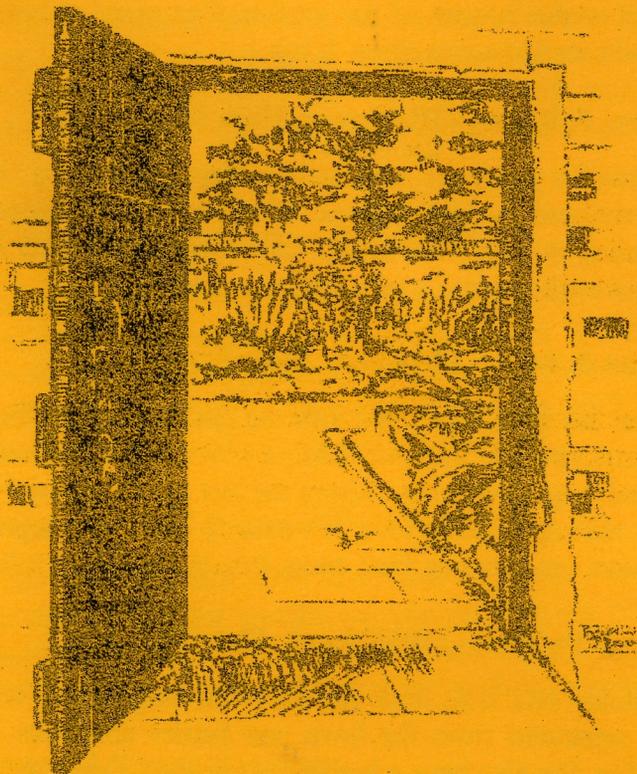


Aldington Village
Open Gardens
Sunday 14th June 2009



Guide /Ticket no 12

Entitles you to visit the gardens outlined on pages two and three plus refreshments at 'The Old Stables'
See back page for the location of each garden.

Details of the gardens

1. Pat & Ron - Orchard View Main Street

We arrived at Orchard View in November 2002 when the garden was just grass and not a flower in sight. After designing flower beds and removing tons of clay we have endeavoured to create a colourful cottage garden with a minute vegetable plot. This year's effort is the new flower bed at the bottom of the garden. Our garden gives us a lot of pleasure and we hope you enjoy it too.

2. Barbara & Roger - Highlands Main Street

Arriving twelve years ago ^{we found} turf, ballast, large trees and a "bramble forest", all enclosed by high hedges. We have tried to create a "cottage style" garden on heavy but fertile clay. Our former spoil heap/bonfire site is now evolving into a neo-Japanese garden.

3. Vivienne & John - Half Acre Main Street

The garden has been developed over the last five years. The rear garden comprises two herbaceous borders with a water feature together with raised vegetable beds. During the last year a pergola walkthrough has been created. A shrub area is currently under development. There are a number pre-existing fruit trees. Plants will be for sale

4. Judith & Patrick - Middlebank Main Street

The vegetable and fruit area are now the largest part of the garden which is separated from the lawn and border area ~~area~~ by a copper beech hedge. We also have a herbaceous border, a rose bed, a herb bed, a shady spring border, summer bedding plant border and a selection of flowering shrubs. A small orchard has been planted with plum, apple and pear trees where the bantams and ducks are kept.

5. Jane & Robin - Fircroft Main Street

Robin and I have lived in Aldington for 4 years. Since opening our garden in 2007 we have removed all the Leylandii along the lane and

replaced them with fencing and a native hedge. We have a small pond in the newly lawned top walled area of the garden. Robin now has three raised vegetable beds. Come and wander around the garden. There are seats where you can sit and enjoy a few restful moments too!!

6. Gill & Clive - Manor Court Main Street

The front and rear walled gardens are small and very irregular shapes. The oil tank is buried in the front garden, hence the slopped paths; Wisteria and Clematis montana brighten the house in May. The rear garden has a small lawn, patio, raised fish pond with water lilies and lower pond with newts and frogs. Narrow borders are planted with rose, wisteria, hibiscus and clematis to colour the walls and a vine from which we make wine.

7. Rosemary & David - Rose Cottage Village Street

When we moved into Rose Cottage six years ago, the garden was riddled with ground elder and virtually no flowering shrubs. It took two years to create workable soil and gradually we have introduced typical cottage style plants and a variety of perennial shrubs. In 2003 David built the ornamental pond for his koi carp and goldfish.

8. Vicky & Chris - The Old House Village Street

Our mature garden covers around 1/3rd of an acre on a gently slopping site. We have developed various borders containing a variety of trees, shrubs and herbaceous perennials. Other features are a small vegetable plot, a stream and pond and a pig-sty. A few plants will be for sale.

9. Judith & Keith - 3 Manor Gardens

Over the last six years we have refined the layout and made some changes with a pergola/screen and new plants in the shrub/herbaceous border. Other interesting features are the kitchen garden with soft fruit and a range of vegetables and a scree cum rockery bed. We hope you enjoy our garden.

Location Map

Key

Main Street

1.Orchard View

2.Highlands

3.Half Acre

4.Middlebank

5.Fircroft

6 Manor Court

Village Street

7. Rose Cottage

8. The Old House

9. 3 Manor Gardens

