

Welcome to a Wychwood Spring

There's nothing that lifts the heart quite like spring flowers. Swathes of golden and purple crocuses, daffodils finally lighting up our Cotswold stone and shyly appearing, the primroses and violets celebrated by Phyllis Clark on page 19 in her memories of picking a Mothering Sunday posy; don't forget your own for April 3rd!



As April gives way to May, our cover delights in youngsters dancing around the maypole and on page 21 we can marvel at the butterflies whose caterpillars live “in a ‘tent’ of grass blades drawn together with silk thread.”

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The ducks down in the Wild Gardens are pairing off and looking for nesting sites, perhaps in your garden or by your pond! There are more than ever down there this year, perhaps they like our company, particularly when it comes with bread!



As it starts to warm up, time for Dilly Marigold (see page 49) to get those potatoes and onions planted and for the Milton -under-Wychwood Allotments and Gardens Association (see page 49) to enjoy a talk on organic gardening and vegetable growing.

All in all spring has definitely sprung-hooray!