

Sunday 10 May Day 42 of the garden journal



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This is a queen common carder bumblebee feeding on comfrey. Comfrey is a great plant for bumblebees as it has a relatively long flowering season. It is also useful for gardeners because you can make comfrey tea from the leaves. But before you rush for the kettle, comfrey tea is a very good tomato fertilizer.

My recipe - fill a tub with comfrey leaves, fill the tub with water and put a lid on. Go back 3 or 4 weeks later and hold your nose when you take the lid off as it will smell disgusting. Strain the liquid and dilute before feeding your plants.

Alan Kenworthy



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A couple of mu cacti...

Carol Cowling





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...have flowered.

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Everything seems to have an extra glow on this dull Sunday - azalea...

Vivien Ford





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...clematis x 2

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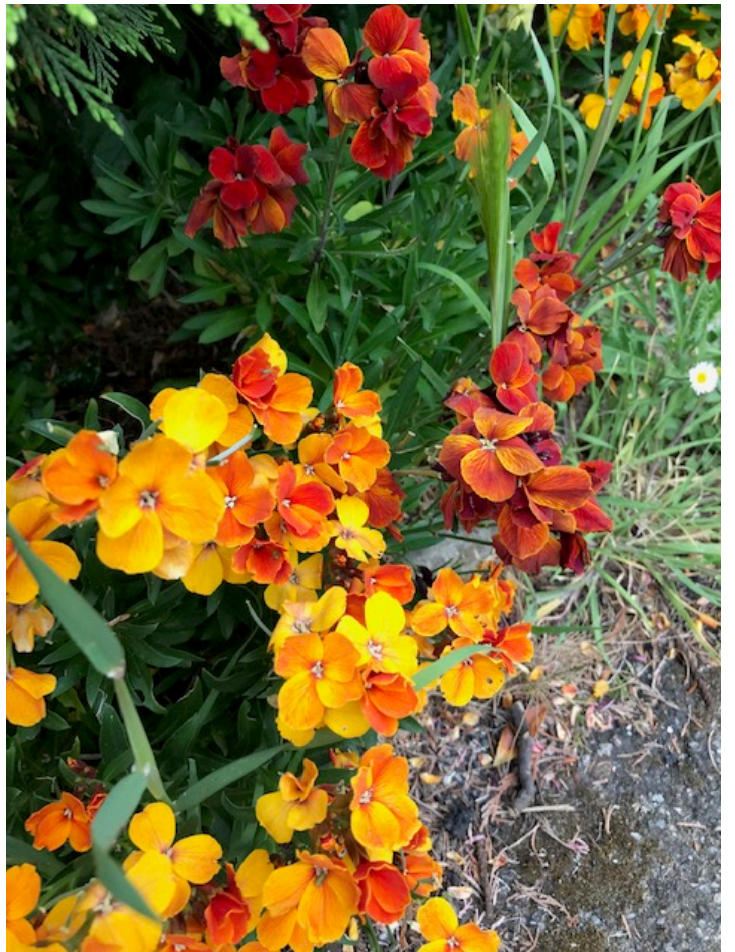




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...kerria, wallflowers...

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...something orange that has popped up among the nigella (thought I'd found a new variety!!) and aquilegia amongst the cotoneaster.

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Peony. The original came from my father's garden in Middlesex in 2005.

Inga Chapman





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It looks as if this year will be a good one for calla lilies

Inga Chapman