

October 2025 Newsletter

Hello and welcome to the Surrey Horticultural Federation Autumn Newsletter!

Please share this newsletter with your members and help them stay up to date with all the events happening in Surrey and the surrounding areas.

The Surrey Horticultural Federation Inter-Club Quiz and AGM

We hope you'll join us for the **SURREY HORTICULTURAL FEDERATION INTER-CLUB QUIZ & A.G.M** on **SUNDAY 2nd November 2025** at **2.30pm** at **East Horsley Village Hall**, Kingston Avenue, East Horsley, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT24 6QT.

We hope to have a very quick AGM (Agenda follows) and then on with the Quiz. NB: Please recruit up to three club members for a team table.

Our quiz is a fun and relaxed event – no one has to stand up or read out their answers. Three representatives from each club form a team. Teams sit together; each member has their own sheet of paper to record their answers. Teams can confer and all answers are filled in on quiz sheets. Our Quizmaster, John Negus reads out the questions and gives a multiple choice of answers for participants to choose from – it's rather like 'Who wants to be a Millionaire'. You can guess if you're not sure of the answer, and teams can confer. If one team member knows the answer you can all choose the same and pick up maximum points, or you can all choose different answers if you wish.

Team supporters and visitors from any club are welcome to attend – there are cash prizes for teams and prizes for the best answers from the audience! The Surrey Horticultural Federation Quiz is a relaxed and fun afternoon – we hope you'll join us.

SURREY HORTICULTURAL FEDERATION – 49th A.G.M. on Sunday 2nd November 2025 at East Horsley Village Hall at 2.30pm

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
- 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.
- 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.
- 4. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT.
- 5. TREASURER'S REPORT.
- 6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS and COUNCIL MEMBERS.
- 7. FUTURE EVENTS.
- **8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS** Please contact our Membership Secretary and Treasurer, Kathy Deaville (kathy.deaville@gmail.com) if there is anything you would like to raise.

This event will be held at **East Horsley Village Hall**, Kingston Avenue, East Horsley, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT24 6QT – **Start time is 2.30pm** (as before).

Directions: If coming from the roundabout on the A3 south of Wisley Gardens, keep on the road towards West Horsley and when approaching East Horsley look for the railway bridge. Go under it, then first right into Kingston Avenue – the hall will be found at the end of this road. From the Guildford/Dorking A25, keep on through West Horsley until you see the railway bridge, then turn left.

This hall has good, free, level parking and is used by both the NVS and NAFAS for their events.

All the Gardening Clubs and Horticultural Societies that are part of the Surrey Horticultural Federation are invited to the Surrey Horticultural Federation's friendly quiz.

We do need to know how many clubs can come, so please conscript three members of your club for a team, and confirm your club's entry to the Surrey Horticultural Federation's Membership Secretary, Kathy Deaville (kathy.deaville@gmail.com) a.s.a.p. please. Thank you.

National Garden Scheme (NGS) 2026 Community Garden Grants

Applications for the <u>National Garden Scheme (NGS)</u> 2026 Community Garden Grants – generously supported by the <u>Julia Rausing Trust</u> – can be made until <u>Monday 20th October 2025</u>. "We welcome applications for projects that foster diversity and/or support people with physical or mental disabilities," says NGS Chief Executive, George Plumptre.

"With all applications considered on their individual merits, awards between £1,500 and £5,000 will be granted. Please note that due to the popularity of the programme, the application process has changed this year with only the first 300 applications eligible for consideration." Successful applicants will be notified of the results in April 2026. For all the information and to see the application forms and apply, please click here.

Nurture Landscape in Windlesham would like to Donate a large number of Unused Seed Pots and Trays to a Local Gardening Club, Charity, or Community Group



Nurture Landscapes in Windlesham would like to donate several thousand pots, plus associated trays. The pots are quite small, each tray holds 8 pots in a 4x2 configuration. These unused seed pots and trays could really help a local Gardening Club, Charity, or Community Group. Phil Davies from Nature Landscapes would be happy to arrange delivery of the pots and trays to a destination or you could arrange a collection from their yard in Windesham. Phil is happy to drop off at a couple of locations (fewer than 5) but naturally he's unable to be running around Surrey making dozens of drop-offs. Alternatively, pots and trays can be collected from Phil at Windlesham over the next couple of weeks. If you're interested, please email Phil asap to make arrangements, his email is phil.davies@nurturelandscapes.co.uk.

A Message from Jean Griffin:

Hello to all Societies I had to cancel/postpone over the past and forthcoming weeks, I am so sorry to let you down but it cannot be helped. This was due to an accident on August 24th, when I was knocked over by an out-of-control dog. I suffered multiple muscle tears, twisted knees and a shoulder injury. I am stuck at home, totally frustrated as cannot start putting my garden to bed as I'm unable to stand or walk without a frame! Not looking for sympathy but I am sending a request to all dog owners to teach recall and control to your animal before this happens to someone else! Thank you all for being understanding. I hope to see you all next year! Jean Griffin

Please Consider Opening Your Garden in 2026 for The Children's Trust

<u>The Children's Trust</u> is the UK's leading charity for children living with brain injury. This is one of our local charities - they're based in Tadworth in Surrey.

At the end of an amazing British summer, The Children's Trust are looking for gardening enthusiasts to get involved in their **2026 Open Gardens fundraising initiative**. By opening your garden, you could:

- Share your amazing garden with visitors.
- Help raise vital funds.
- Be a part of The Children's Trust's gardening community.



How you could get involved



- thechildrenstrust.org.uk/open-garden
- getinvolved@thechildrenstrust.org.uk
- 6 01737 365 000 (Ext: 8622)







Whether you choose to do a small get together with friends and family or open your garden to the whole community - The Children's Trust will support you every step of the way with fundraising advice, materials, and tips.

The Children's Trust's beautiful 25 acre gardens in Tadworth play a vital role for the children and young people they support through:

- Physical rehabilitation
- Sensory stimulation
- Wellbeing and social interation

Fundraising for The Children's Trust allows us to give children with brain injury the opportunity to live the best life possible - you could make a real difference. For more information, please visit The Children's Trust's website.

EcoLocal Gardening School's Four Week Flower Arranging Course starts on the 1st October 2025!

Flower Arranging Four week course

Starts 1st October 2025

10.30am-12.30pm at

The Garden Hall

The Lodge,

Carshalton

Just £92

Looking for a creative and relaxing way to spend your time this autumn? Join our new four-week Flower Arranging course, designed especially for those who want to learn a lovely new skill in a welcoming, no-pressure environment.



Each session focuses on a different style of flower arrangement - from classic posies to elegant modern displays. You'll learn how to select, cut and prepare flowers and greenery, experiment with different containers, and explore eco-friendly alternatives to floral foam.

No experience needed, and absolutely no exams or assessments. Come along, have fun, and create something beautiful each week to brighten up your home. Materials and tools will be provided, but there will be opportunities for you to bring your own flowers, foliage and containers.

www.ecolocalgardeningschool.uk info@ecolocal.org.uk 020 8404 1522

EcoLocal Gardening School





Squire's Garden Centres' celebrate World Smile Day on the 3rd October 2025!



A look at the Cyclamen crop at Squire's nursery in West Sussex in anticipation of Squire's Festival of Cyclamen

It's **World Smile Day** on **Friday 3rd October 2025**. To celebrate, the first 100 paying customers visiting each of Squire's Garden Centres on this day will receive a free cyclamen – a fitting gift for a day dedicated to spreading happiness, with a plant that symbolises love, sincerity and empathy.

Squire's Garden Centres' Festival of Cyclamen runs from 1st October 2025 until the 19th October 2025

Squire's Garden Centres' inaugural Festival of Cyclamen showcases a dazzling array of outdoor cyclamen – all grown in peat-free growing media at Squire's own nursery in West Sussex – offering bursts of colour to brighten gardens, patios and containers.

Cyclamen are synonymous for their delicate, heart-shaped leaves and flowers that dance gracefully bringing vibrancy and charm just as many summer plants begin to fade. These plants are usually able to cope with a light frost. Cyclamen thrive in cool conditions and will flower right through autumn and into the winter months.



Cyclamen 'Petit Moulin'

The festival introduces new varieties, including Cyclamen 'Petit Moulin', developed for its fragrance and long-lasting, double blooms and Cyclamen 'Amaze Me', a hardy star that can return year after year. In total, Squire's will showcase 12 varieties, each offering something special – from frilled petals to striking bi-colours and silvery marbled foliage.

Sarah Squire, Chairman of Squire's Garden Centres, comments: "Cyclamen are such a joyful plant – they arrive in autumn just when we need colour and cheer the most, as the days begin to shorten and gardens can become more muted. It's wonderful to celebrate their beauty through our Festival of Cyclamen and to share their uplifting qualities with our customers. We are particularly proud that all of the plants in the Festival are grown at our own nursery in West Sussex, continuing our commitment to supporting British horticulture. We hope that whether in gardens, pots or on patios, these charming plants bring a smile to many this season."



Peter Titmuss, overseeing this year's Cyclamen crop at Squire's nursery in West Sussex.

The Festival of Cyclamen runs until 19 October 2025 at all Squire's Garden Centres. Visit your local centre to discover the collection and find the perfect Cyclamen to brighten autumn.

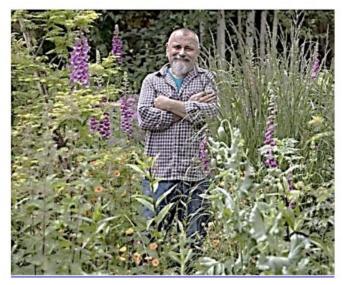
David Hurrion will be giving a talk entitled 'How to Create your Best Ever Garden' to Woodham and New Haw Horticultural Club on Friday 3rd October 2025!



Friday 3rd October 2025

DAVID HURRION

How To Create Your Best Ever Garden



Meeting Place All Saints Church Hall New Haw KT15 3DH

Time Doors Open 7.15 For Start 7.45

Visitors Welcome £5 Refreshments included

UK Garden Expert for Plants and Horticulture, Writer and Speaker
With over 50 years of practical experience in gardening and horticulture, David has a wealth
of hints, tips and inspiration to share. He is a lifelong practical gardener and plant lover.
His extensive knowledge and practical experience of plants, crops and growing techniques
is based on thorough botanical and scientific training, complemented by an in-depth
understanding of garden design, wildlife, geology and climatology.
More than 20 years writing for and editing that nation's crop of garden magazines and
websites. He is currently Associate Editor for BBC Gardeners' World Magazine. He appears
as a regular contributor and expert commentator on TV and Radio

Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society

David Hurrion will be giving a talk entitled 'How to Create your Best Ever Garden' to Woodham and New Haw Horticultural Club at 7.45pm (doors open at 7.15pm) on Friday 3rd October 2025 at All Saints Church Hall, New Haw, Addlestone, Surrey, KT15 3DH. Visitors are very welcome - entry is £5, which includes refreshments.

The National Vegetable Society have invited Kayleigh Sinclair to give a talk about 'Medicinal Herbs: Bridging Past Knowledge with Modern Research' at 8pm on Wednesday 8th October 2025 in The Bletchingley Room at Redhill Methodist Church, RH1 1BP!



<u>Kayleigh Sinclair (the Historical Herbologist)</u> will give a talk to the <u>National Vegetable Society Surrey District</u>
<u>Association</u> about 'Medicinal Herbs: Bridging Past Knowledge with Modern Research' at 8pm on Wednesday 8th
<u>October 2025</u> in The Bletchingley Room at Redhill Methodist Church, Gloucester Road, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 1BP.

Kayleigh Sinclair holds the position of Horticulture Team Coordinator at RHS Wisley, where she plays a key role in supporting various horticultural projects and initiatives. Beyond her responsibilities at RHS Wisley, Kayleigh has a passion for Herbology and is pursuing an in-depth study of this field at the prestigious Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh (RBGE). In addition to her academic pursuits, Kayleigh proudly serves as an Ambassador for The Herb Society, advocating for the appreciation and understanding of herbs in historical and contemporary contexts.



Known as the Historical Herbologist, Kayleigh Sinclair's primary interest lies in the evolution of medicinal herbs, exploring how they have been utilised throughout history. Kayleigh delves into the folklore and superstitions surrounding these plants and examines how these cultural narratives have influenced modern-day medicine and how we interact with them.

The <u>National Vegetable Society Surrey District Association</u> welcome non-members to their meetings, everyone is very welcome to attend this event – entry is free for National Vegetable Society members, £1 for members of affiliated societies, £2 for RHS Students, and £3 for visitors.

Ray Broughton will be giving a talk about 'New Developments in Horticulture' to Thursley Horticultural Society at 7.30pm on Wednesday 8th October 2025 in Thursley Village Hall



Thursley Horticultural Society

Presents

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN HORTICULTURE A talk by RAY BROUGHTON on Wednesday 8th October

7.30pm at
Thursley Village Hall
Raffle and refreshments
Admission Free. All welcome

Senior Horticultural lecturer, Ray Broughton will give a talk about 'New Developments in Horticulture' to Thursley Horticultural Society at 7.30pm on Wednesday 8th October 2025 in Thursley Village Hall, Dye House Lane, Thursley, Godalming, Surrey, GU8 6QD. New members and visitors are always very welcome. There will be refreshments and a raffle. Admission is free!

Ascot Horticultural Society have invited Dr Pat Morris to give a talk about Hedgehogs on Wednesday 8th October 2025 at King Edward's Hall in Ascot

Ascot Horticultural Society Hedgehogs



A talk by Dr Pat Morris

Wednesday 8th October 2025

King Edward's Hall, King Edward's Road, Ascot, SL5 8PD

(200m on right hand side)

Doors Open at 7:45pm

ENTRANCE Members £1 Visitors £3 Including refreshments

www.ascothorticulturalsociety.co.uk

facebook.com/groups/276880418187911

<u>Ascot Horticultural Society</u> have invited **Dr Pat Morris** to give a talk about **Hedgehogs** on **Wednesday 8th October 2025** at **King Edward's Hall**, King Edward's Road, Ascot, Berkshire, **SL5 8PD**. Doors open at 7.45pm. Non-members are very welcome indeed to attend, entry is £3 for non-members and £1 for Ascot Horticultural Society members.

National Collection Holder and Garden Designer, Jackie Currie will be talking about 'Ornamental Alliums' to Witley Gardening Association on Wednesday 8th October 2025, at the Chichester Hall in Witley!

Wednesday 8th October 2025



JACKIE CURRIE

Jackie Currie with her Allium exhibit, Chelsea Flower Show 2019



Ornamental Alliums

Growing them successfully and in succession

Garden designer Jackie Currie runs a local garden design company 'Euphorbia Design' in Chiddingfold with her business partner.

Jackie enjoys growing many plants but her real passion is for growing alliums. She is the holder of the National Collection of Allium Species and cultivars.

Jackie has exhibited her Alliums at RHS Chelsea Flower Show and RHS Hampton Court Flower Show.

This talk will tell you all that you need to know about growing Alliums and how to incorporate them into your garden design.

THE CHICHESTER
HALL WITLEY
Doors open
7.00pm for a 7.30
start
Entry free to
members, £5 to
non-members.
Welcome drinks
available



On Wednesday 8th October 2025, <u>Witley Gardening Association</u> are meeting at the Chichester Hall, Petworth Road, Witley, Surrey, GU8 5PL. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start; National Collection Holder and Garden Designer, Jackie Currie will be giving a talk about Ornamental Alliums. Entry is free to <u>Witley Gardening</u> Association members and £5 for non-members.

Elspeth Fimple will be giving Pirbright Horticultural Society a talk 'All About Foraging' on Tuesday 14th October 2025!

Tuesday 14 October All about Foraging - a presentation by Elspeth Fimpel of Joyful Outdoors



joyfuloutdoors.co.uk

I will make it a practical and plant based talk, along with how to get started & gain confidence in foraging, dos and don'ts etc. I also spent 30 days earlier this year eating only wild food as part of a research project into how a wild diet affects the gut microbiome so that's also interesting and encompasses a conversation about why bother eating wild food. I can bring some wild syrups and vinegars for people to try, and bring some wild spices. Elspeth Fimpel

<u>Pirbright Horticultural Society</u> are looking forward to welcoming **Elspeth Fimpel**, who will be giving them a talk **All About Foraging** on **Tuesday 14th October 2025**. This event starts at **7.30pm** at **Lord Pirbright's Hall**, Pirbright, Woking, Surrey, **GU24 0JE**.

Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society are holding a Friendly Open Evening with Free Entry on Wednesday 15th October 2025!

<u>Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society</u> are holding a **Friendly Open Evening** with **Free Entry** from **7pm until 9pm** on **Wednesday 15th October 2025** at **The Trinity Centre**, Holy Trinity Church, Maldon Road, Wallington, **SM6 8BL**.

<u>Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society</u> are a lovely, friendly group, they would welcome anyone who would like to come to their informal evening to see who they are and what they do. This group have Evening Shows at all their meetings. Anyone who is interested in gardening will be welcome to come along - you don't have to be an expert! As well as hearing talks from interesting speakers, Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society also learn from each other. There will be free admission on this evening - visitors just pay for refreshments and a raffle.

CHAPS & Headley Horticultural Society Event: No Work Gardening: a talk by Bob Flowerdew on Thursday 16th October 2025



<u>Churt Horticultural and Produce Society (CHAPS)</u> and <u>Headley Horticultural Society</u> have combined forces to host Bob Flowerdew for a special talk entitled 'No Work Gardening' on Thursday 16th October 2025. This event starts at 8pm. Tickets are £10 for members and £20 for non-members. Email <u>chaps.secretary@gmail.com</u> to reserve your place.

Julie Verity will be giving a talk about Beth Chatto, Derek Jarman, and dry gardening at the Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group meeting on Saturday 18th October 2025!



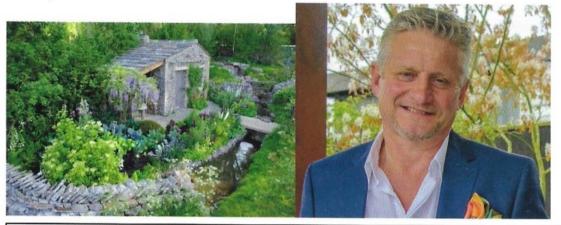
The <u>Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group</u> invite you to join them on **Saturday 18th October 2025** when they'll be meeting at **The Old Barn Hall**, 55 Church Road, Great Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey, **KT23 3PQ**. Doors open at **10am**, the talk will begin at 10.45am. Visitors are welcome at all Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group meetings and pay £5 to attend. This charge also applies to national HPS members, who are not members of the group, and friends of members.

Speaker, Julie Verity studied Horticulture and Plant Physiology at University, gaining two degrees and doing post-doctoral work in New Zealand. After a successful career in business and education, she has returned to her love of plants through painting and giving talks about gardens and gardening heroes.



Garden Designer, Mark Gregory will be giving Pirbright Horticultural Society a talk about 'A Life's Work at Chelsea Flower Show' on Tuesday 11th November 2025

Tuesday 11 November A presentation by Mark Gregory This special event will be held in the Main Hall and there will be refreshments and a raffle. Members free, non-members £5/head.



"A Life's work at Chelsea flower show" I will give an illustrated 1 hour talk of my Chelsea journey, focusing on the 2018,2019 and 2023 gardens, including time lapses of all iconic gardens, I will talk about the plants, trees, and construction" - Mark Gregory landformconsultants.co.uk

<u>Pirbright Horticultural Society</u> are looking forward to welcoming Garden Designer, Mark Gregory, who will be giving them a talk about A Life's work at Chelsea Flower Show on Tuesday 11th November 2025. This event starts at 7.30pm at Lord Pirbright's Hall, Pirbright, Woking, Surrey, GU24 0JE. Entry is free for <u>Pirbright Horticultural</u> Society members, non-members are very welcome, entry is £5 per person.

EcoLocal's One Day Workshop - Design Your New Kitchen Garden - is on Saturday 22nd November 2025!

Design your New Kitchen Garden

One day workshop

Saturday 22nd November 2025 10.30am-3pm at The Garden Hall, EcoLocal The Lodge, Carshalton

Just £38

Homegrown produce is not only tastier and healthier but, when your plot is truly thriving, it can even reduce your grocery bills. The ability to harvest difficult-to-buy or expensive delicacies is a satisfaction that only comes from growing your own.



Learn how to start a beautiful and productive plot in four easy steps:

- * designing your space
- * preparing your soil
- * maximising your crop yield
- * planning ongoing maintenance of your garden

Bring photographs of your plot and we'll help you create an bespoke design for your new kitchen garden and provide ideas and practical tips to make it happen.

www.ecolocalgardeningschool.uk food@ecolocal.org.uk 020 8404 1522

EcoLocal Gardening School







Please pre-book your place for the Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group meeting on Saturday 29th November 2025: Tom Coward will be giving a talk about William Robinson and Gravetye Manor!



The <u>Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group</u> request you book your place in advance ready for their meeting on **Saturday 29th November 2025** when Tom Coward will be giving a talk about William Robinson and Gravetye Manor. NB: This is a Christmas Party Meeting, so places need to be pre-booked, as numbers are limited.

The Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group are holding this meeting at The Old Barn Hall, 55 Church Road, Great Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT23 3PQ. Doors open at 10am, the talk will begin at 10.45am. Visitors are welcome at all Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group meetings and pay £5 to attend. This charge also applies to national HPS members, who are not members of the group, and friends of members.

This talk is about William Robinson, a gardener who was renowned for his wild and natural gardening methods, and his garden at Gravetye Manor in West Sussex. After studying at Pershore College and Kew Gardens, Tom Coward's first job was as assistant head gardener at a private garden in Sussex, followed by a job as Fergus Garrett's deputy at Great Dixter. For the past eleven years he has headed the garden team at Gravetye Manor. Once the home of Victorian William Robinson, it is now a hotel and the garden is open only to paying guests.

Do you need certificates for your Flower Show?

The Surrey Horticultural Federation Certificates of Merit are available from our Chairman, Janet Arm. If you would like to receive Certificates of Merit, please post an A4 or Foolscap sized, stamped addressed envelope with a large second class stamp (£1.55) to Janet Arm at Redleaf Nursery, Green Lane, Tilford, Farnham, Surrey, GU10 2AP.

Spreadsheets for Show Cards

John Manches has devised a special computer spreadsheet to cope with printing show entry cards and adding up the points won for cup presentations. If any Surrey Horticultural Federation Clubs and Societies are interested in receiving John's template, please contact John by email at: johnmanches74@gmail.com or phone **01252-702752**.

Sunday Gardening Programme on BBC Radio Surrey

Don't miss the **Sunday Gardening programme** on **BBC Radio Surrey** from **10:30am until 12 noon**. Each week, the show have a segment where they promote gardening events in the local community; from talks to workshops, from fairs to meet-ups. No matter if it's big or small, ticketed or free, the team want to hear from you and your society about what events you've got planned.

If you have any events to promote, then get in touch via email: <u>Sunday.gardening@bbc.co.uk</u>. It's possible you could also have the opportunity to come on the programme and tell the listeners about your group and what it is you do.

Additionally, please do let your members know that if they ever have any gardening questions, they can reach out to the Sunday Gardening programme via email Sunday.gardening@bbc.co.uk or call the team from 10am on Sundays on 0800 587 1046. The Sunday Gardening programme are joined every week by a gardening expert who is ready to answer any question you may have.

Free Training Courses for Community Groups

Oct-Nov 25

We are very pleased to confirm that Surrey Wildlife Trust is offering a limited number of FREE places to Surrey based community groups on each of the courses listed below.

Please note that spaces will be allocated on a first come-first served basis with one space available per community group.

How to book

To book your space free of charge, please contact Sue O'Regan with your name, email address, phone number, and community group name at adult.learning@surreywt.org.uk

Small Woodland Management



Friday 24th October, Nower Wood - 10am-3pm

If you are thinking about buying a small woodland or have just invested in one, this course is for you.

Join experienced tutor, Ross Packman who has gained practical woodland management experience with the National Trust, and the Wildlife Trusts in both Surrey and the Isles of Scilly. He is keen to help guide you on your exciting journey.

On this one-day introductory course, you will:

- Spend the morning learning about everything from basic woodland ecology to applying for management grants.
- After an early lunch, head out into the ancient woodland of Nower Wood where you will observe habitat management in action.

We realise that each parcel of land is unique, therefore we encourage attendees, prior to the course, to pass on any specific questions they may have, which we can then cover in a Q&A on the day.

Mobility

There will be a gentle walk around the woods mainly on marked paths.

What to bring

While there will be hot drinks and snacks available throughout the day you will need to bring your own packed lunch.

Parking information

There is plenty of free parking available.

Bicycle parking

There is a place to safely lock your bike.

Facilities

Toilets are available

Practical Skills for Managing a Small Woodland



Friday 7th November, Nower Wood - 10am-3pm

Owning a small woodland can be a magical experience, but these vital habitats require active management to remain biodiverse and healthy. On this course, attendees will develop the practical skills and techniques required to become proficient custodians of their own small woodland.

Join experienced tutor, Ross Packman who has gained practical woodland management experience with the National Trust, and the Wildlife Trusts in both Surrey and the Isles of Scilly. He is keen to help guide you on your exciting journey.

On this one-day course you will:

- Briefly discuss basic woodland ecology, seasonal limitations, personal protective equipment, useful power tools and their appropriate use.
- Venture into the woods to learn how to use hand tools to "coppice" appropriate species and deliver beneficial "thinning" through the felling of small trees.
- Gain experience in building deer "exclosures", dead hedges and wind rows.

Mobility

You will be actively taking part in woodland management activities so some mobility and minimal strength will be necessary.

What to bring

While there will be hot drinks and snacks available throughout the day you will need to bring your own packed lunch.

Parking information

There is plenty of free parking available.

Bicycle parking

There is a place to safely lock your bike.

Facilities

Toilets are available

Report Asian Hornet Sightings





Animal & Plant Health Agency

I am sharing this early, to allow you to have time to share this information with your members, so they're informed and prepared, ready for summer. Asian Hornets have been sighted in the UK in recent years. Why does this matter? The Asian Hornet is highly aggressive predator of our native insects; entomologists feel that the Asian Hornet poses a significant threat to honey bees and other pollinators.

Two Asian hornet nests were found in Surrey in September 2023. The nests were subsequently destroyed by experts from DEFRA. Keep up to date with <u>Asian hornet sightings by clicking here</u>.

If you think you've seen an Asian Hornet, take a photo if you can. Please take care and do not disturb an active nest. Members of the public who suspect they have found an Asian Hornet should <u>report it to the NNSS through</u> their online form or by emailing alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk.

A free ID sheet is available from the GB Non-Native Species Secretariat (NNSS). <u>Click here to view detailed</u> <u>pictures to help you correctly identify an Asian Hornet</u>.

Speaker Feedback

Has a speaker given a talk to your society over the past few months? Please share your confidential feedback by emailing me your thoughts, both positive and negative on the speakers you booked last year, and I will share your feedback privately (via email) with the other clubs that are members of the SHF – thank you. My email is **beth@pumpkinbeth.com**.

NB: Speaker feedback is private and confidential and is not to be shared with anyone other than your group's programme secretary.

Publicising Your Club or Society's Events

If your club or society is a fully paid up member of the Surrey Horticultural Federation, I will be delighted to add your society or club's events to our website. Please email me, beth@pumpkinbeth.com. To successfully publicise your event, I need to know:

- What date your event takes place.
- What time your event starts.
- Where your event is held.
- What type of event you're holding? If it's a talk, please let me know the name of the speaker and their talk title.
- Finally, I need to know the entrance fee for non-members and visitors.
- Email me a photo or poster I'll highlight your event in the newsletter

Do You Have Anything You Would Like Me to Add to the Next Surrey Horticultural Federation Newsletter?

If you are a member of the Surrey Horticultural Federation and you have something you would like me to add to the next newsletter or an event you would like me to add to the website, please contact me, Beth Otway, the Surrey Horticultural Federation's Website & Events Secretary – my email is beth@pumpkinbeth.com.

On behalf of our Chairperson Janet Arm, Our Membership Secretary and Treasurer, Katharine Deaville, and all the Surrey Horticultural Federation Council, I'd like to send you our very best wishes.

Kind regards Beth

Beth Otway

Website & Events Secretary Surrey Horticultural Federation

Upcoming Events:

October 2025

Wed 1-Oct-2025	20th Century Women Gardeners: a talk by Cherrill Sands	Wonersh and District Garden Club	Mrs. H. Goodridge	01483- 535108
Wed 1-Oct-2025	Fungi, Fauna, and Flora: a talk by Nigel Choat	Send Gardening Society	Fiona Collett	01483 765730
Wed 1-Oct-2025	Behind the scenes at Savill Gardens: a talk by John Anderson	Brooklands Horticultural Society	Barbara Royston	
Thu 2-Oct-2025	<u>Swan Lifeline</u>	Fernhurst Horticultural Society	Theresa Kennedy	01428 656524
Thu 2-Oct-2025	A Taste of France: a talk by Martyn Denney	The Alpine Garden Society Woking - West Surrey Group	Hamish Sinclair	01483 487463
Fri 3-Oct-2025	Ottershaw Cacti: a talk by Jo and Daniel	Lightwater Gardening Club	Shirley Marrison	01276 502025
Fri 3-Oct-2025	How to Create Your Best Ever Garden: a talk by David Hurrion	Woodham & New Haw Horticultural Club	Louise Clubley	07843 962421
Sat 4-Oct-2025	Caterham & District Horticultural Society Autumn Show	Caterham & District Horticultural Society	Mrs. Karen Murray	
Sat 4-Oct-2025	Banstead Charities' Christmas Event	Banstead Horticultural Society	Gail Fraser	01737- 356576
Sat 4-Oct-2025	Garden Design Techniques: the Use of Plants in Design: a talk by Caroline Halfpenny	Kingswood, Walton, & Tadworth Horticultural Society	David Dunning	0208 660 9242
Mon 6-Oct-2025	A local Wildlife Safari: a talk by photographer Deb Heath	Oakley Gardening Club	Ms. Maureen Dallaway	01256- 780788
Tue 7-Oct-2025	Companion Planting the Organic Way: a talk by Belinda Allen	Shamley Green Gardening Club	Paulina Bayliss	
Tue 7-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Planting up the areas and Looking after the Planters by Merstham Hub for Raven Housing	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086

Tue 7-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Wed 8-Oct-2025	A talk by the Surrey Gardens Trust	Ashtead Horticultural Society	Mrs. Jennie Pilfold	01372- 373348
Wed 8-Oct-2025	Dynamic Planting: combining plants, materials and places: a talk by Matthew Wilson	Grayshott Gardeners	Sue Wheeler	07719 457821
Wed 8-Oct-2025	Hedgehogs: a talk by Dr Pat Morris	Ascot Horticultural Society	Mrs Lindsey Payne	07847511361
Wed 8-Oct-2025	New Developments in Horticulture: a talk by Ray Broughton	Thursley Horticultural Society	Mrs. Pat Clake	01252- 706869
Wed 8-Oct-2025	Ornamental Alliums: a talk by Jackie Currie	Witley Gardening Association	Christine Cox	
Wed 8-Oct-2025	Medicinal Herbs: Bridging Past Knowledge with Modern Research: a talk by Kayleigh Sinclair (the Historical Herbologist) *held at Redhill*	National Vegetable Society (NVS) Surrey District Association	Beth Otway	
Thu 9-Oct-2025	Sweet Peas: a talk by Gemma Burr	Egham Gardens and Allotment Association	Cynthia Reilly	07790 273225
Thu 9-Oct-2025	Plant Heritage in-person & Zoom talk: Place of Palms – Tropical Dreams of Making Kew by Kate Teacher	Plant Heritage, Surrey Group (NCCPG)	Wendy Bentall	01276- 858256
Thu 9-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill will be holding a stall celebrating Mental Health Day at Merstham Hub	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Thu 9-Oct-2025	Bulbs throughout the year (focusing on January to May): a talk by George Lockwood	Sanderstead Horticultural Society	Julie Caplin (Chair)	07816 374 636
Fri 10-Oct-2025	My Wildflower Hot Spots of the World: a talk by Carol Watson	Froyle Gardening Club	Madeleine Dowding	01420-85530
Fri 10-Oct-2025	Flowers for Urban Wildlife: a talk by Sarah Foss	Banstead Horticultural Society	Gail Fraser	01737- 356576
Sat 11-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill: Bulb Planting in Redhill Memorial Park.	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Sun 12-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill Planters Working Party at Reigate Station	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Mon 13-Oct-2025	Growing Vegetables: a talk by Mark Saunders	Elstead Garden Club	Mrs. Alison Gravett	01252- 703318
Tue 14-Oct-2025	Companion Planting: a talk by Belinda Allen	Ewhurst Horticultural Society	Mrs. Anne Dyball	07980 122530
Tue 14-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Tue 14-Oct-2025	Plants for Winter/Early Spring: Flowers in Pots and the Garden: a talk by Alan Goold from Henry Street Garden Centre	Yateley and District Gardening Society	Mrs. Julia Dobbin	01252- 870533

Tue 14-Oct-2025	All about Foraging: a presentation by Elspeth Fimpel of Joyful Outdoors	Pirbright Horticultural Society	Lucy Baker	07815847941
Tue 14-Oct-2025	Clematis Growing: a talk by Everett Leeds	Newdigate Horticultural Society	Jen Warans	
Wed 15-Oct-2025	River Hill Gardens: a talk by Misako Kasahara	Chiddingfold Horticultural Society	Georgia Lacey	01428 683120
Wed 15-Oct-2025	Growing Forage for Bees: a talk by Margaret Lennard	Onslow Village Garden Club	Mrs Anne Bradbeer	01483 563421
Wed 15-Oct-2025	Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society Friendly Open Evening	Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society	Christine Hockham	01243 824726
Wed 15-Oct-2025	Seasonal Flower Arranging demonstration with Lynn Sleet	Epsom Garden Society	Catherine Flitter	07821- 277708
Wed 15-Oct-2025	Cheam and Cuddington Horticultural Society Fun Quiz Night	Cheam and Cuddington Horticultural Society	Mr. N. Clarke	0208-644- 9291
Thu 16-Oct-2025	Dunsfold & Hascombe Horticultural Society AGM & Evening Lecture: Container Planting for a Year of Flowers by Tim Woodland	Dunsfold & Hascombe Horticultural Society	Paul Goudie	
Thu 16-Oct-2025	New Society Gardening Club (Camberley) AGM and Raffle	New Society Gardening Club (Camberley)	Sarah Wesley	07400 850876
Thu 16-Oct-2025	CHAPS & Headley Horticultural Society Event: No Work Gardening: a talk by Bob Flowerdew	Churt Horticultural & Produce Society (CHAPS)	Mandy Martin	
Fri 17-Oct-2025	Spooky Sussex: a talk by Kevin Newman	Storrington Horticultural Society	Janet Webber	
Sat 18-Oct-2025	Caterham & District Horticultural Society: Cuppa at the Community Garden	Caterham & District Horticultural Society	Mrs. Karen Murray	
Sat 18-Oct-2025	Beth Chatto, Derek Jarman and dry gardening: a talk by Julie Verity	Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group	Anne Grabaskey	
Mon 20-Oct-2025	More Tales from the Potting Shed: a talk by Jean Griffin	Ripley and District Horticultural Society	Mrs. Sue Stranger	
Mon 20-Oct-2025	Gardening for Birds: a talk by John Lawrence	Leigh and District Cottage Garden Society	Penny Taneborne	01306 611515
Mon 20-Oct-2025	The Benefits of Nature in a Learning Environment: a talk by Clare Bowman	Basingstoke Horticultural Society	Mr. Philip Wraight	01256- 324185
Tue 21-Oct-2025	William Robinson: the Wild Gardener: a talk by Julie Verity	Esher and Molesey Garden Society	Ann Beauchamp	02089791415
Tue 21-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Planting up the areas and Looking after the Planters by Merstham Hub for Raven Housing	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Tue 21-Oct-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Wed 22-Oct-2025	Gertrude Jekyll, Artist, Gardener, & Craftswoman: a talk by Dr Judy Hill	Horsley Garden Society	Terry Lazenby	
Sat 25-Oct-2025	Wokingham Horticultural Association Pumpkin Festival	Wokingham Horticultural Association	Pauline MacBrayne	07941 352411

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Tue 28-Oct-2025	Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Tue 28-Oct-2025	How to Grow Alliums a talk by Jackie Currie	Milford Horticultural & Gardening Society	Mr Stewart Miskimmin	01483- 421509
Fri 31-Oct-2025	Capel Horticultural Society Pumpkin Pageant	Capel Horticultural Society	David Silliman	
November 2025				
Sat 1-Nov-2025	The Modern Kitchen Garden: a talk by Barry Newman	Kingswood, Walton, & Tadworth Horticultural Society	David Dunning	0208 660 9242
Sun 2-Nov-2025	Surrey Horticultural Federation 2025 Quiz & AGM at East Horsley Village Hall	Surrey Horticultural Federation	Ms. Beth Otway	
Sun 2-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill Planters Working Party at Reigate Station	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Mon 3-Nov-2025	Exbury Gardens: a talk by Head Gardener, Tom Clarke	Oakley Gardening Club	Ms. Maureen Dallaway	01256- 780788
Tue 4-Nov-2025	Creating Movement whilst Frozen Still: a talk by Ben Pope	Shamley Green Gardening Club	Paulina Bayliss	
Tue 4-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Planting up the areas and Looking after the Planters by Merstham Hub for Raven Housing	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Wed 5-Nov-2025	Ben Cross from Crosslands Flower Nursery will be talking about Alstroemeria	Wonersh and District Garden Club	Mrs. H. Goodridge	01483- 535108
Wed 5-Nov-2025	An Evening with BBC Gardeners' World Presenter, Adam Frost	Banstead Horticultural Society	Gail Fraser	01737- 356576
Wed 5-Nov-2025	The Creation and Restoration of Painshill: a talk by Cherril Sands	Brooklands Horticultural Society	Barbara Royston	
Thu 6-Nov-2025	The Long Walk Home: a talk by Michael Blencoe	Fernhurst Horticultural Society	Theresa Kennedy	01428 656524
Thu 6-Nov-2025	Greek Serendipity: a talk by Melvyn Jope	The Alpine Garden Society Woking - West Surrey Group	Hamish Sinclair	01483 487463
Fri 7-Nov-2025	Gertrude Jekyll and Munstead Wood: a talk by Julie Verity	Lightwater Gardening Club	Shirley Marrison	01276 502025
Sat 8-Nov-2025	Banstead Horticultural Society Late Autumn Show	Banstead Horticultural Society	Gail Fraser	01737- 356576
Mon 10-Nov-2025	Caterham & District Horticultural Society's Annual General Meeting followed by a Talk or Demonstration	Caterham & District Horticultural Society	Mrs. Karen Murray	
Mon 10-Nov-2025	The Earthworm All you wanted to know but did not dare ask! A talk by Chris Stewart	Brockham Green Horticultural Society	Ruth Johnson	01737 842691
Mon 10-Nov-2025	Elstead Garden Club AGM & Quiz	Elstead Garden Club	Mrs. Alison Gravett	01252- 703318
Tue 11-Nov-2025	AGM & Talk: Garden ponds and why we should have one: a talk by Michael Joseph	Ewhurst Horticultural Society	Mrs. Anne Dyball	07980 122530

Tue 11-Nov-2025	No Dig Gardening: a talk by Bryan Davis	Newdigate Horticultural Society	Jen Warans	
Tue 11-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Tue 11-Nov-2025	Spring into the New Year: a talk by Simon Horrill	Yateley and District Gardening Society	Mrs. Julia Dobbin	01252- 870533
Tue 11-Nov-2025	A Life's work at Chelsea Flower Show by Mark Gregory	Pirbright Horticultural Society	Lucy Baker	07815847941
Wed 12-Nov-2025	Grayshott Gardeners' AGM	Grayshott Gardeners	Sue Wheeler	07719 457821
Wed 12-Nov-2025	Thursley Horticultural Society AGM & Social Evening with Wine & Refreshments	Thursley Horticultural Society	Mrs. Pat Clake	01252- 706869
Wed 12-Nov-2025	Witley Gardening Association AGM	Witley Gardening Association	Christine Cox	
Wed 12-Nov-2025	The Remarkable Miss Jekyll: a talk by Cherrill Sands	Ashtead Horticultural Society	Mrs. Jennie Pilfold	01372- 373348
Wed 12-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill: Bulb Planting in a pot with the Brownies at Canada Hall	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Wed 12-Nov-2025	A New Fruit Area, Garden Improvements & Renovations: a talk by Mark Saunders, Head Gardener at Fittleworth House	National Vegetable Society (NVS) Surrey District Association	Beth Otway	
Thu 13-Nov-2025	Plant Heritage in-person & Zoom talk: 'Barking up the Right Tree' by Jonathan Newell	Plant Heritage, Surrey Group (NCCPG)	Wendy Bentall	01276- 858256
Thu 13-Nov-2025	Fruit Growing for a Small Garden: a talk by Jim Arbury	Egham Gardens and Allotment Association	Cynthia Reilly	07790 273225
Thu 13-Nov-2025	Capel Horticultural Society AGM and Speaker	Capel Horticultural Society	David Silliman	
Thu 13-Nov-2025	Knepp Wilding: rewilding a lowland farm 20 years on: a talk by Tom Forward, Ecologist	Sanderstead Horticultural Society	Julie Caplin (Chair)	07816 374 636
Fri 14-Nov-2025	The Wild Gardener: a talk by Julie Verity	Froyle Gardening Club	Madeleine Dowding	01420-85530
Fri 14-Nov-2025	My Greenhouse Year: a talk by Gillian Taylor	Woodham & New Haw Horticultural Club	Louise Clubley	07843 962421
Sat 15-Nov-2025	Chiddingfold Horticultural Society AGM	Chiddingfold Horticultural Society	Georgia Lacey	01428 683120
Mon 17-Nov-2025	Basingstoke Horticultural Society AGM & Cheese and Wine Evening	Basingstoke Horticultural Society	Mr. Philip Wraight	01256- 324185
Mon 17-Nov-2025	Tropical Delights: a talk by Graham Pattison	Ripley and District Horticultural Society	Mrs. Sue Stranger	
Tue 18-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Planting up the areas and Looking after the Planters by Merstham Hub for Raven Housing	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086
Tue 18-Nov-2025	Growing Redhill and Surrey Choices: Creating a Bee Friendly Garden for LB's Bee Keeping Project	Growing Redhill	Karen Murray	01737 903086

Wed 19-Nov-2025	Onslow Garden Club's AGM & Social Evening	Onslow Village Garden Club	Mrs Anne Bradbeer	01483 563421
Wed 19-Nov-2025	Climbers: a talk by Ian Hudson	Wallington, Carshalton and Beddington Horticultural Society	Christine Hockham	01243 824726
Wed 19-Nov-2025	Epsom Garden Society AGM	Epsom Garden Society	Catherine Flitter	07821- 277708
Wed 19-Nov-2025	Cheam & Cuddington Horticultural Society Annual General Meeting	Cheam and Cuddington Horticultural Society	Mr. N. Clarke	0208-644- 9291
Thu 20-Nov-2025	Churt Horticultural & Produce Society (CHAPS) AGM followed by Bees in the Garden: a talk by Tony Lack	Churt Horticultural & Produce Society (CHAPS)	Mandy Martin	
Thu 20-Nov-2025	Snowdrops at Westcroft: a talk by Lyn Miles	New Society Gardening Club (Camberley)	Sarah Wesley	07400 850876
Fri 21-Nov-2025	Storrington Horticultural Society AGM followed by People Places and Plants: a talk by Jim Gardiner	Storrington Horticultural Society	Janet Webber	
Sat 22-Nov-2025	Wokingham Horticultural Association's Winter Show	Wokingham Horticultural Association	Pauline MacBrayne	07941 352411
Wed 26-Nov-2025	Horsley Garden Society AGM & Quiz	Horsley Garden Society	Terry Lazenby	
Sat 29-Nov-2025	William Robinson and Gravetye Manor: a talk by Tom Coward (Please pre-book your place)	Hardy Plant Society Southern Counties Group	Anne Grabaskey	
December 2025				
December 2025 Mon 1-Dec-2025	Oakley Gardening Club's Christmas Festivities	Oakley Gardening Club	Ms. Maureen Dallaway	01256- 780788
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Mon 1-Dec-2025	<u>Festivities</u> <u>Shamley Green Gardening Club Christmas</u>	Shamley Green Gardening	Dallaway	
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Fri 5-Dec-2025	Lightwater Gardening Club Members' Christmas Evening	Lightwater Gardening Club	Shirley Marrison	01276 502025
Fri 5-Dec-2025	Baubles, Berries, and Mulled Wine: a talk by John Anderson	Woodham & New Haw Horticultural Club	Louise Clubley	07843 962421
Sat 6-Dec-2025	Brockham Green Horticultural Society's Christmas Wreath Workshop	Brockham Green Horticultural Society	Ruth Johnson	01737 842691
Mon 8-Dec-2025	Basingstoke Horticultural Society Members- Only Christmas Party	Basingstoke Horticultural Society	Mr. Philip Wraight	01256- 324185
Mon 8-Dec-2025	Treading Gently Through the Borders: a talk by Benjamin Pope	Elstead Garden Club	Mrs. Alison Gravett	01252- 703318
Tue 9-Dec-2025	<u>Yateley and District Gardening Society</u> <u>Members Only Christmas Get Together –</u> <u>NOTE: 7.30pm start</u>	Yateley and District Gardening Society	Mrs. Julia Dobbin	01252- 870533
Wed 10-Dec-2025	Christmas Flower Arranging Workshop: a demonstration by Elizabeth Barralet	Epsom Garden Society	Catherine Flitter	07821- 277708
Wed 10-Dec-2025	The Secrets of Garden Design: a talk by Nick Turrell	Grayshott Gardeners	Sue Wheeler	07719 457821
Thu 11-Dec-2025	Egham Gardens and Allotment Association AGM, Social Evening, Photographic Competition, & Quiz	Egham Gardens and Allotment Association	Cynthia Reilly	07790 273225
Sat 13-Dec-2025	Send Gardening Society AGM & Christmas Party	Send Gardening Society	Fiona Collett	01483 765730
Sat 13-Dec-2025	Woldingham and District Horticultural Society: Christmas Wreath Making	Woldingham and District Horticultural Society	Heather Stark	0790 1944 381
Sat 13-Dec-2025	Storrington Horticultural Society: Christmas Afternoon Tea: Admission By Ticket Only	Storrington Horticultural Society	Janet Webber	
Wed 17-Dec-2025	Froyle Gardening Club AGM: Annual subscriptions are due	Froyle Gardening Club	Madeleine Dowding	01420-85530
Wed 17-Dec-2025	Ashtead Horticultural Society AGM followed by wine, mince pies, and a garden quiz in the Ralli Room	Ashtead Horticultural Society	Mrs. Jennie Pilfold	01372- 373348
Thu 18-Dec-2025	New Society Gardening Club (Camberley) Christmas Lunch	New Society Gardening Club (Camberley)	Sarah Wesley	07400 850876