

Speakers List updated 1 May 2019

Sarah Bell		A year in the life of a vine	
Based:	Hereford	Location:	Within 1 hour of HR2 0EE
National Collections:	Vitis Vinifera and hybrids	Availability:	By arrangement
Website:	www.sunnybankvines.co.uk	Cost:	£50 plus mileage at 45p a
			mile or current HMRC
			rate(as of Feb 2019)
Email:	sarah@sunnybankvines.co.uk		

Dr Simon Charlesworth		Lavender	
Based:	Kent	Location:	South East
National Collections:	Lavandula Rosmarinus	Availability:	Preferably evenings and weekends, weekdays on request.
Website:	www.downderry-nursery.co.uk	Cost:	Contact for details
Email:	info@downderry-nursery.co.uk		

John Cullen		How to encourage pollinators into the garden	
Based:	Lincolnshire	Location:	Lincolnshire, Herts,
			Yorkshire
National	Achillea millifolium	Availability:	Jan-Apr, Aug-Dec
Collections:			
Website:	www.johncullengardens.com	Cost:	£65 plus mileage
Email:	design@Johncullengardens.com		

Jonathan Hutchinson		Australia bush walks around Sydney. South African flora, west - eastern cape, geophytic flora.	
		Trips to Ethiopia and Zimbabwe specifically to see Scadoxus in habitat.	
Based:	South West	Location:	Generally South West, will travel further distances if required.
National	Scadoxus	Availability:	Preferably evenings and
Collections: Veltheimia bracteata			weekends, weekdays on request.
Website:	n/a	Cost:	Mileage 0.45p per mile. Charge for talk £95.
Email:	Jonathan.hutchinson@talktalk.net		



Michael King		Carnivorous plants	
Based:	Telford	Location:	Shropshire
National Collections:	Sarracenia (pitcher plants) Dionaea (Venus flytraps)	Availability:	All weekday evenings by arrangement, some weekends possible.
Website:	www.carnivorousplants.uk.com	Cost:	£55 for 20 miles radius of Telford, 40p per mile beyond the 20 mile radius.
Email:	mike@carnivorousplants.uk.com		

John Lee		Penstemon	
Based:		Location:	Midlands
National	Penstemon	Availability:	Anytime
Collections:			
Website:	n/a	Cost:	£20
Email:	froggerycottage@hotmail.com		

Jane Lindsay			A Passion for Climbers
Based:	Somerset	Location:	Nationwide
National	Jasminum	Availability:	Anytime
Collections:	Mandevilla		
	Passiflora cvs.		
	Thunbergia		
Website:	www.tyningsclimbers.co.uk	Cost:	£120 +mileage @35p per mile
Email:	Tynings.climbers@yahoo.co.uk		

Michael Marriott		English roses generally and especially David Austin's Roses	
Based:	Shropshire	Location:	Nationwide
National	Rosa (English Roses bred by David	Availability:	Mostly evening but
Collections:	Austin)		day time possible
Website:	michaelmarriottrosarian.wordpress.com	Cost:	£175 plus 45p per
			mile travelling costs
Email:	michaelrosarian@gmail.com		



Jan Miller-Klein		Eupatoriums and other pollinator plants. Butterflies, bees and other wildlife	
Based:	North Wales	Location:	North Wales
National	Eupatorium	Availability:	Contact for details
Collections:			
Website:	www.7wells.co.uk	Cost:	£70 + travel over 20 miles
Email:	Jan@7wells.org		

Ingrid Millington		Acanthus and family, auriculas	
Based:	Shropshire	Location:	Nationwide
National Collections:	Acanthus Albuca	Availability:	In winter - daytime; in other seasons in the evenings
Website:	n/a	Cost:	£90 plus travel
Email:	Hillview@onetel.com		

Philip Oostenbrink			Canterbury Cathedral gardens through time (incl. plant collections held on site)	
		Plant collections – from Banks to extreme collecting and modern day		
Based:	Based: Kent		Southeast, but willing to travel across the country when travel expenses are covered.	
National	Aspidistra elatior cvs.	Availability:	Preferably evenings and	
Collections:	Hakonechloa macra cvs.		weekends, weekdays on	
Ophiopogon japonicus cvs			request.	
Website:		Cost:	Contact for details	
Email:	hakonechloa.nc@gmail.com			

Helen Picton		Autumn flowering asters & related genera (Michaelmas Daisies)	
Based:	West Midlands	Location:	West Midlands
National	Aster - Autumn flowering asters &	Availability:	Daytime and evening
Collections:	related genera		
Website:	www.autumnasters.co.uk	Cost:	£80, plus 25p per mile
Email:	oldcourtnurseries@btinternet.com		



Chris Spanton			Mandevilla/Dipladenia A tropical climbing Plant from South America	
Based:	East Anglia	Location:	Two hours from Norwich any further may be considered	
National	Mandevilla	Availability:	Evenings and possibly	
Collections:	Dipladenia		some afternoons from	
			October to February	
Website:	www.mandyplants.com	Cost:	£75, plus mileage @ £0.40p per mile	
Email:	enquiries@mandyplants.com			

Edna & Mike Squires		Plant Heritage, Feeber's Garden Plants on clay soil RHS Shows New Zealand Chile Others by request	
Based:	South West	Location:	South West
National		Availability:	As required
Collections:			
Website:	n/a	Cost:	£50 + 35p/mile round trip
Email:	feebers@btinternet.com		

lan Tyler		Daffodils - an overview of the daffodil world (85 min)	
		Historical daffodils (entry level look at historic daffodil and breeds with historic links (70 min)	
Based:	North West	Location:	Nationwide
National		Availability:	Anytime
Collections:			
Website:		Cost:	By negotiation
Email:	maddaff@gmail.com		

Alun & Jill Whitehead		the Beardles Siberian Coll	Irises for the natural garden – a look at the Beardless Irises including our Siberian Collection. For other talks, please see website.	
Based:	Herefordshire	Location:	Herefordshire, but happy to travel	
National Collections:	Siberian Iris	Availability:	Usually adaptable	
Website:	www.auldenfarm.co.uk	Cost:	£70 plus 40p per mile	
Email:	web@auldenfarm.co.uk			



Carole Whittaker		The history and medicinal properties of Monarda	
Based:	Wales	Location:	Wales
National	Monarda	Availability:	Day/evening
Collections:			
Website:	n/a	Cost:	£45.00 for talks. Mileage
			if in excess of 10 miles.
Email:	Carole_whittaker@hotmail.com		

Howard Wills		Sempervivum and Jovibarba Phormiums Various other garden-related talks	
Based:	Devon	Location:	South West England
National Collections:	Sempervivum species and cultivars Jovibarba species and cultivars	Availability:	Anytime
Website:	www.fernwood-nursery.co.uk	Cost:	£75, mileage costs: 35p/mile
Email:	hw@fernwood-nursery.co.uk		