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St. Stephens Gardening Club

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(Formerly St. Stephens Horticultural Society)

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

February to December 2024

GARDEN STORE
Drop Lane, Bricket Wood

Open every Saturday
2.00pm to 4.00pm

10 Feb to 12 Oct

- 12 Feb **Tea & Talk - Baked Alaska or Mexican Chilly**
by Nic Cook.
Climate change explained
FOLLOWED BY AGM
Admission FREE, inc coffee/tea and cake.
2.30pm Parish Centre, Bricket Wood
- 15 April **Tea & Talk - Peat, No Going Back**
by Graham Wilson
A practical look at peat free gardening in the past
present and future.
Admission £3, inc coffee/tea and cake.
2.30pm, Parish Centre, Bricket Wood

- 14 May **Visit - Markshall Estate** (Essex)
 200 acres of stunning gardens, ornamental lakes, arboretum plus as a further 2000 acres of ancient woodland and a walled garden not to be missed.
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| Bricket Wood | How Wood | Chiswell Green |
| Social Club | Shops | Opp 3 Hammers |
| 09:00 | 09:05 | 09:15 |
- Members £27 non-members £30
- 1 June **Plant Sale**
 Garden Club hut. 2.00pm to 4.00pm.
 Plants and gardening goods for sale.
- 11 June **Visit - Nymans Gardens** (Sussex)
 Enjoy a Grade 2 listed garden. The 13 hectare garden has a collection of plants from around the world. The rose garden has over 600 rose bushes.
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- NT members £21, Members £37, non members +£3
- 25 June **Visit - Pie Corner Garden**
 A piece of paradise in Bedmond.
 Further details coming soon..
- 1 to 5 July **Gardens of Worcester Tour**
 A 5 day trip to Worcestershire. For more details contact Graham Wilson 01727 872718
- 15 July **Tea & Talk - Gardening in the Third Age**
 By Anne Luder
 Gadgets and Gizmos.
 Admission £3, inc coffee/tea & cake.
 2.30pm, Parish Centre, Bricket Wood
- 28 July **Open Gardens** - More information later.

ANNUAL SHOW

Saturday 17 August

2.00pm to 4.30pm

**Greenwood Park
Community Centre
Tippendell Lane
Chiswell Green**

Free admission

10 Sept **Visit - Leeds Castle (Kent)**
Discover the glamour of the 1930's in the castle. Stroll through the gardens, explore the maze. Falconry display, Birds of Prey Centre.

Bricket Wood	How Wood	Chiswell Green
Social Club	Shops	Opp 3 Hammers
08:45	08:50	09:00
Members £38	Non-members £41	

16 Sept **Tea & Talk - A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Potting Shed**
By Nick Dobson
A light hearted afternoon of a garden related mix of funny stories, jokes and gardening tips.
Admission £3, inc coffee/tea and cake.
2.30pm, Parish Centre, Bricket Wood

For more information and/or bookings contact Graham Wilson
Tel: 01727 872718 or e-mail graham_g_wilson@hotmail.com

BOOKING FORMS FOR OUTINGS ON FOLLOWING PAGE.

VISIT - MARKSHALL ESTATE
TUESDAY 14 MAY

Set in the heart of the Essex countryside this charity run garden has over 200 acres to explore. Stroll through beautiful gardens, walk alongside stunning ornamental lakes and explore miles of woodland. The walled garden is designed for spring and summer interest and contains 5 unique gardens.

There is a café serving light lunches, sandwiches, cakes etc. and the site has a buggy service for the less able.

The cost of the trip is £27 for members, £30 for non-members, which includes coach, driver tip and entry to the gardens..

The coach will leave Bricket Wood Social Club at 9.00am, with pick-up points at How Wood shops (9.05am) and Chiswell Green (9.15am, bus stop opposite Three Hammers).

Please detach the form below and return it with a non-returnable deposit of £5 per person or payment in full. FINAL PAYMENT REQUIRED BY 23 APRIL.

MARKSHALL ESTATE - BOOKING FORM

Cheques to be made payable to St Stephens Gardening Club and sent to Graham Wilson, 51 Mayflower Road, Park Street, St Albans, AL2 2QN or hand in at the Trading Hut.

Member Name (please print).....

First line of address.....

I will be accompanied by.....

Pick-up point
(Please state Bricket Wood, How Wood or Chiswell Green)

Contact telephone number

Email address.....

VISIT - NYMANS GARDENS
TUESDAY 11 JUNE

Nymans is a Grade 2 listed garden, with rare and unusual plant collections, set around a romantic house and ruins. The 13 hectare garden has one of the most comprehensive collections of Chilean and Argentinian species in the UK. In the walled garden there are plants from China and Chile. There are over 600 roses in the Rose Garden

The cost of the trip is £21 for members (who are also in the NT), £37 for members not in the NT, plus an extra +£3 for non-members. This includes coach, driver tip, and entry to the gardens.

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VISIT TO LEEDS CASTLE
TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

Discover the glamour of the 1930's as you stroll through the historic rooms of this famous castle. There is a lot to see, the Princess Alexandra garden, the Mediterranean garden, Culpepper garden, terraces and circular walking routes. There are Falconry Displays, a Bird of Prey Centre and you must try the maze. The cost of this trip is £38 for members and £41 for non-members.

Cost includes coach, entry and driver's tip.

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