

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

THE CHS SHOP

The Crawley Horticultural Shop in Ifield Avenue, West Green, Crawley (tel. 01293 535585) is open in 2011 from;

SUNDAY - From 9th January until 11th December 9.00 am
until 12.00 noon

SATURDAY - From 5th March until 24th September 9.00 am
until 12.00 noon

WEDNESDAY - From 6th April until 29th June 6.30 pm until 8.00
pm

NEW MEMBERS

The CHS policy for recruiting new members is by word of mouth by you the members. Why not pass the word about the benefits of membership to like-minded friends and relations. A perfect present for a birthday or special occasion would be CHS gift voucher/token to be spent in the shop, or a membership enrolment for one or four years.

NEXT NEWSLETTER

The next Newsletter will be on the Society's website by early April with printed copies made available for Group Meetings and in the Shop.

Contact Helen Bergin, Telephone 01293 535972

Email—bergreen2003@yahoo.co.uk

Enquiries about the Society should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Chrissie Smith—telephone 01293 539221

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are reminded that annual subscriptions, and four year subscriptions taken out in 2006 expired on 31st December 2010, should be renewed as soon as possible. Renewals can be made in the Shop or direct to the Membership Secretary, Peter Nash, 65 Millbank, Ifield, Crawley. RH11 0JQ. Renewals can also be made online on the CHS website.

www.crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk



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Crawley Horticultural Society

Newsletter

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

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Chairman's Message

Hello again! It hardly seems possible, but I have now completed my first year as Chairman and I am delighted to say I have very much enjoyed it.

Show Secretary Report and show dates

My thanks to the Committee for their help and support during the year with especial thanks to Albert Moore, who will be retiring from the Committee at the AGM, for everything he has done for the Society and Committee during his thirty three years of service.

Trading Secretary's report

Proposed Constitution and AGM

Society Website

Also, a very big "Thank You" to all the helpers for giving their valuable time to the Society in the shop; especially the ladies who make such a lovely cup of tea! Having said that, WE STILL NEED MORE HELPERS IN THE SHOP, FOR WHAT TIME YOU CAN SPARE!

Seeds in Stock

Orchid Autumn Show

Annual Calendar

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Improvements to the building have not been as fast as I would like, but the passageway between the hall and the shop has been redecorated and a new entrance door fitted to the main hall. During the forthcoming year we are hoping to refurbish the ladies and gents toilets and perhaps redecorate the main hall.

Gardening in old Hawaii

Gardeners Forum 2010

Hall Hire

Social Committee Report

Financially, we have done quite well so if we do as well this year we shall be satisfied.

FRED SMITH

Allotment Find

Important Information

Plant Sale May 14 and 15

Bulb Sale August 27 & 28

SHOW SECRETARY'S REPORT

Summer Show 2010

Following the trend set by the Spring Show, the season seemed to be at least three weeks late. Entries were down on previous years but still many of you managed to find something to exhibit. Well done!

As a result of this and the fact that we clash with the Ardingly Show, we have decided to move the Summer Show to the third week in June and hopefully this will enable you to find more items to show. The roses were one of the most affected groups but luckily for us the Cactus Group came up trumps and had some really interesting exhibits.

Autumn Show Week 1

This was a similar story to the previous 2010 shows with entries well down but because of the lateness of the season. but we had some unexpected entries of plants flowering well beyond their natural season. Chrysanthemums seem to be out of favour at the moment but it would be great to see more entries in these classes next year. Entries in the Dahlia classes are gradually creeping up and I hope this trend will continue.

Autumn Show Week 2

Happily, this show seemed to be least affected by the weather. Entries for the fruit and vegetable classes were almost the same as 2009. Fortunately, the Domestic and Photography classes were unaffected by the weather and we had some good entries in both. Sadly we had no entries in the Wine Classes.

I hope to see all current exhibitors again and many new exhibitors showing in 2011

CHRISTINE MARTIN

2011 SHOW DATES

The dates for the Shows in 2011 are as follows:

Spring Show	Saturday, 2 April
Orchid Spring Show	Sunday, 17 April
Alpine Spring Show	Monday, 18 April
Cactus & Succulent Show	Saturday, 28 May
Summer Show including the Geranium Show	Saturday 18 June.
Fuchsia Show	Saturday 6 August
Autumn Shows	Saturdays 3 and 17 September.
Orchid Autumn Show	20 November

All the shows are held in the hall and are open to members and general public from 1.30pm except the Cactus Show which is open from 10.00am

UNEARTHING HISTORY - ALLOTMENT FIND

Normally when digging over the allotment you come across the odd potato, parsnip or carrot left from the previous year. Sometimes in the garden when you dig a bit deeper than normal you unearth builder's rubble or bricks. Inevitably there will be the odd drainage crock from an emptied flower pot and the occasional bone that the dog or local fox has deposited. But how often do you come across something of real interest?

I got my first allotment in 1976 at Windmill Hill, on the western edge of Bletchley in Milton Keynes New Town. A brand new site had been created from farm land to serve the new housing estates being developed in the surrounding area at that time. One day whilst digging the plot over, I discovered a small piece of pottery.

At the time I was working for the New Town Development Corporation which had a dedicated Archaeology Unit so when I next visited their office, I took my find with me.

Their reaction to my piece of pot was quite blasé. "Oh yes we see lots like this" followed by quite a detailed description of what it would have been, where it was made and its rough age. If you watch Channel 4's Time Team you'll know what I mean. But to me it's the base of a pot that someone made by hand and used nearly a thousand years ago.

So, what of interest have you found in your garden or on your allotment?
JOHN CRIPPEN

CHS HALL HIRE

This is available for private hire to members and approved organisations, when not being used by the Society. Terms and Conditions apply.

Specialist Groups of the Society hold regular monthly meetings - entry is free to all members. See the Calendar section of the newsletter, for more information. For hire details email -

chsbookings@hotmail.co.uk

SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Over the past year, we have run four quizzes – one for Cancer Research UK, one on behalf of Horley Evening Townswomen's Guild and two for us, the Crawley Horticultural Society (CHS).

Our esteemed thanks and appreciation must go to Mabel Clackson, our CHS President, who, over the past ten years, has managed to raise approximately £15,000 through the quizzes, for us, various groups and charities.

Apart from managing the quiz itself, Mabel has also organized all the refreshments – up till now. She has decided that the time has come to take a break from that part of the proceedings and would like someone else to deal with the catering arrangements. It is not onerous, but we do need someone to take on that role. We already have a couple of teams of sandwich makers and some who could make cakes, but with fewer people doing home baking, we may have to use shop-bought cakes and pastries in the future! Each quiz with 96 contestants uses ten loaves of sandwich bread and approximately 120 – 150 small cakes. The materials' costs are paid from the takings, so nobody is expected to do it for nothing. What we need is people to help with the making of the various items so that we don't only have cheese and onion sandwiches and chocolate cake on offer. After all, we do have our standards to keep up!

The committee thanks Peter, June, Peter and Barbara, John, Albert and all who help to make our quizzes such a success.

The quiz evenings are always full of fun and make an excellent evening out. Why not book for the next session? We have two dates currently programmed for 2011 - January 22nd, our charity evening in aid of Cancer Research UK, and March 5th for the CHS.

We try to pre-book tables, through Mabel, in blocks of six seats, but we can accommodate the odd ones or twos as well to make up a table. We have a maximum of 16 tables, so it always a case of 'first come, first served'. In order to plan the refreshments and the seating, anyone booking a place must inform Mabel by the previous Wednesday evening if they will not be attending, otherwise they will be charged full ticket price. You can bring your own bottle if you wish, but please take it, and any rubbish you have, away with you when you leave, as we have to pay for refuse collection facilities from the Hall.

If you have any appropriate, unwanted gifts to use as prizes, have any queries or offers of help, please contact Sheila Jones on 01293 537588. Prizes, suitably labelled, may be left in the shop or kitchen.

Peter Armstrong
Sheila & Graham Jones



2010 BULB SALE

The annual bulb sale will be held in the hall over the weekend of 27 and 28 August between the hours of 9.0am and 12 noon

TRADING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Welcome to another gardening year.

We hope to have most of your gardening needs in what could be a difficult year financially. Compost prices are being held down with very small increases of approximately 10 - 20p, and we are selling some held at previous years' prices. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for some chemicals, pesticides and fungicides. We shall do our best.

Seed potatoes will be on sale from Sunday, 23 January, probably at the same price as last year (can't be bad). We have plenty of seeds in stock at 20% off marked price. Shallots and onion sets should be in by the end of January. All dates of course are subject to weather conditions.

We can all look forward to the Plant Sale weekend which will be May 14 and 15 in the hall.

Many thanks to all the shop helpers; without them we could not open.

We look forward to seeing you all in the shop throughout the year.

JOHN GREEN



PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

We currently have a set of rules by which the Committee runs the Society. In order to keep these up to date by meeting the requirements of legislation and to satisfy the Local Authority, a major review has been undertaken.

The Officers & Management Committee have seriously considered and debated the need to have an up to date Constitution to replace but incorporate the existing Rules and recommend the proposed Constitution for adoption by Members at the AGM in February.

Copies of the proposed Constitution are available on the CHS website at www.crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk/about-chs.php and can be downloaded as a Microsoft Word document. Copies are also available at the Shop during normal opening hours.

JOHN CRIPPEN

Notice is hereby given of the
58TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
to be held on 24th February 2011 In the CHS Hall

- Items to be raised as Any Other Business must be in writing and received by the Secretary by noon on 1st January 2011. The Agenda may be downloaded from the website.

Any nominations for election of Officers must be in writing and received by the Secretary not less than 14 days prior to the meeting (by 10th February). Any nominations for election to the Management Committee should be lodged with the Secretary prior to the meeting.

One item will be a recommendation from the Management Committee to adopt a new Constitution for the Society.

Refreshments will be served after the close of business. Please stay and have an informal chat with the committee, your views are always welcome.
CHRISSIE SMITH Secretary

All written documents to be sent to me at the hall address below or by email secretary@crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk;

October 16
November 20
December 18

To be advised
Autumn Show entries from 9.00 - 11.30 am
Open from 1.30 to 4.00 pm
Xmas meeting

THE CRAWLEY FLORAL ARRANGEMENT GROUP

Group meets at the CHS Hall on the second Thursday each month (except November and December). Doors open 7:30 pm for 8:00 pm. A full programme of activities for 2011 is available on the website.

New members and visitors - Beginners, Intermediate and Experienced flower arrangers - all are encouraged at whatever their stage of development.

The Club is affiliated to NAFAS – The National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies.

GARDENERS FORUM

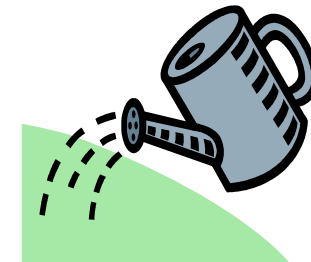
October, Thursday 7 - Gardener's Forum

Our first Forum was held with panellists Jean Griffin, Jim Buttress and Tom Hart Dyke with Chrissie Smith in the chair; 85 members attended.

The Forum was organised by the Cottage Garden Group with most of the work falling on Christine Smith. With such a good attendance a lively two hours were spent with questions and answers from the panellists.

One member told me later that a particular question on Pelegoniums, ie keeping them in newspaper in a dry place, was how it was done 60 years ago. Tea and other refreshments were served midway through the evening which ended around 9.30 pm.

The Cottage Garden group felt the evening was so successful that we plan to attempt to make it into an annual event.
HENRY MILLER



CACTUS AND SUCCULENT GROUP

The Cactus Group meets on the first Monday of the month; please note that the start time is—doors open at 7 pm and the meeting starts at 7.30pm

Monday, 7 February	Eddy Harris, 3 men and a Condor, part 2 TS Parodia group, Euphorbia, plant in flower
Monday, 7 March	Suzanne and Tony Mace entertainment TS Neoperteria & Haworthia group, plant in flower
Monday, 4 April	Doug Donaldson, Arizona Adventure TS Melocactus & Gasteria group, plant in flower
Monday, 2 May	Paul Klaassen, What I saw last winter TS Rebutia & Sanseveria group, plant in flower
Saturday, 28 May	Annual Show CHS Hall, Ifield Avenue, Crawley
Monday, 2 June	John Hughes, plants of Merida in Venezuela (alpines and cacti) TS Echinocereus group, Caudicif form succulent. Plant in flower
Monday, 4 July	Cliff Thompson, Brazil, TS Cristate/variegated Cactus, Cristate/variegated succulent, plant in flower
Monday, 1 August	No meeting
Monday, 5 September	Angie Money, Failea hunting in Rio Grande do Sul TS Srombocactus, Adromischus, plant in flower
Monday, 3 October	Chris Davies, Mexico 2010, TS Mamillaria group, Lithops, plant in flower
Monday, 7 November	John Watmough, Colonise and populate(cultivation discussion). TS Espostoa, Stapeliad, plant in flower
Monday, 5 December	AGM, social and sales table

Note: TS denotes/means Table Show

THE ORCHID GROUP

All meetings are on the third Sunday of the month from 2.30 to 4.30 pm, unless otherwise stated.

January 16	A.G.M.
February 20	Speaker
March	No meeting
April 17	Spring Show, entries from 9.00 - 11.30 am Open from 1.30 to 4.00 pm
May 8	Speaker
June 12	To be advised
July 17	To be advised
August 21st	To be advised
September 18th	To be advised



Volunteer Services

COME AND JOIN US !!

We need helpers to work in the shop

If you have a few hours on either a Saturday or Sunday morning your assistance will be greatly appreciated. Besides the company and the free flowing tea and biscuits, you will be entitled to a 10% discount on your own purchases. You would help out about once every 6 weeks

The shop is the life blood of the Society and without it the Society would not be able to function. If you can help, please contact Chris-sie Smith on 01293 539221 or have a word with the duty committee member in the shop.

SOCIETY WEBSITE – It's for YOU!

Are you one of the 670 people who have visited the website during 2010? Most are from the local area but we have had visitors from Brazil, Russia, China, Japan, India, a variety of European Countries, Bermuda (or was that you on holiday?) as well as a number from the USA!

Approximately 55% of visitors to the website do so using the web address below (direct); about 6% are referred from three other sites where we have specific links, the main one being the Crawley Borough Council. The remaining 39% are referred through search engines such as Google.

If you have internet access and have not yet taken a look, then now's the ideal time to see what you are missing, so visit the website at www.crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

If you have any comments or would like to see more content or are interested in helping to maintain the website, please email me at webmaster@crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

JOHN CRIPPEN

SEEDS IN STOCK

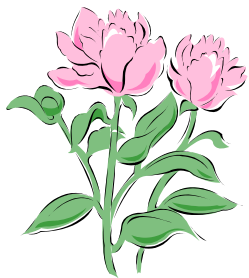
Our new selection of seeds have arrived at the CHS shop. Not only do we have "Johnsons" and some "Mr Fothergills" seeds but we also have a great selection in our budget range "Country Value".

For those who have been waiting we now have stock of Broad Bean Aquadulce and specially for the young growers we have **Gruesome Gourds** and **Spooky Faces**.

The best news for the season is that **all seeds** including Country Value now have **20% off**.

- Vegetables ranging from Aubergine to Turnip
 - Salad Leaves....**including**....Spicy Leaves or Micro Greens?
 - Herbs - Basil to Thyme
 - Flowers from Alyssum to Zinnia
 - Peas - Dwarf, Petit Pois, Mangetout, Sugar Pea
 - French Beans - Dwarf, Climbing, Coloured
 - Runner Beans
 - Broad Beans
 - Green Manures - Mustard, Forage Rye
- and, many other different varieties in stock!. Also of course ,Lawn Seed, by the pound weight.

If you can't find what you want? All you have to do is ask and we will see if we can obtain a supply.



2011 PLANT SALE

The annual plant sale will be held in the hall over weekend 14 and 15 May between the hours of 9.0am and 12 noon. Includes bedding, perennials and vegetables.

COTTAGE GARDEN GROUP

The Group meets on the first Wednesday of each month except October.

THE FUCHSIA & GERANIUM GROUP

The Fuchsia and Geranium Group meet on the third Wednesday of each month except August and December. See Calendar for dates.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GROUP

The Fruit and Vegetable group meet on the second Monday of each month for illustrated talks and discussion of member's problems. See Calendar for dates.

GARDENING IN OLD HAWAII

The early Polynesians were experienced seamen and ventured across the vast Pacific Ocean long before white man discovered them. In 1778 Captain Cook found their knowledge of agriculture was also extensive. The natives travelled in double hulled outrigger canoes taking seed, plants and animals with them to colonise new islands. They had already classified plants into groups and sub-groups.

They planted in season, during certain phases of the moon and the time of day was also important. This would be accompanied by elaborate ceremonies and ritual prayers. They talked to their plants – praising or scolding them.

They knew how to rotate crops and when to leave fields fallow. They scattered ashes and weeds were generally left to rot to give strength to the soil or were banked against plants for mulch. Rows of young plants were protected by covering them with fern fronds and ti-leaves.

These tropical islands with their high volcanic mountains experience every type of climate from snow to scorching semi dessert: from tropical rainforest to areas devoid of moisture in the lee of prevailing winds. As a result they had learned to develop varieties of one plant to thrive each climate and type of soil. In these islands they had 350 varieties of taro, 70 types of bananas and 24 of sweet potato.

All this from around 1000AD! They did have some advantage over us. Each area had a reliable climate and volcanic soil exceptionally rich in minerals. As a result wild violets reach several feet high with one-inch long petals and timber grows at twice the normal rate. Hawaii is the largest orchid growing centre with so many blossoms they're given freely to visitors.

For garden enthusiasts it's a paradise of colour and beauty beyond imagination.

BERYL ARMSTRONG

GROUP PROGRAMMES FOR 2011

Except where otherwise stated, the Groups meet throughout the year in the Hall on weekday evenings at 8 pm.

THE ALPINE GROUP

The Group meets on the third Monday of each month as follows:

January 17	Workshop
February 21	To be advised
March 21	To be advised
April 18	Alpine Flower Show
May 1	Trip to Mill Nursery
June 20	To be advised
July 18	To be advised
August 15	To be advised
September 19	To be advised
October 17	To be advised
November 21	AGM and Christmas Party

THE BONSAI GROUP

Meetings held every third Thursday of each month in the hall at 8pm.

20 January	Workshop + bring and buy
17 February	Re-pot and style workshop
17 March	Workshop
21 April	Member demonstration
19 May	Workshop
22 May (Sunday)	Visit to Mark's wood
16 June	Members' show
21 July	Speaker TBA
18 August	Workshop
22 September	AGM
20 October	Demo – tips on wiring and potting
17 November	Group dinner

We are a happy group who welcome novices. Expert help always available.

THE BRIDGE GROUP

We meet every Monday at 1.30 pm for beginners and every Friday at 7.15 pm for regular players. For further information contact the Chairman, John Lake, telephone. 01293 527325.

SUSSEX ORCHID GROUP AUTUMN SHOW

On a dreary, cold November day our Autumn Show offered a warm haven to beautiful orchids and lots of visitors from the south east of England. As well as many lovely orchids to see there were several for sale, catering for both amateurs and more experienced orchid growers. There was also a large Tombola with interesting prizes; and home-made cakes to accompany cups of tea and coffee.

The trophy for Best Cattleya type was awarded to Ian Wybrow of the Southern Counties Orchid Society for *Cattleya jenmanii*. The relatively small plant carried two huge pink flowers that smelt of bubble-gum! Ian also won the Vandaceous class with *Jumellea maxillarioides*, a large fan-shaped plant that had many white, starry flowers.

The best Oncidiinae species (and Best Oncidiinae trophy) went to Mike Penney for *Ada pozoi*. This huge plant carried about twenty spikes each with about eight speckled flowers with a yellow lip. The best Oncidiinae hybrid went to Sally Mill for *Psychopsis papilio* x *Kalihi*. The huge alien-looking yellow and brown flower looked more like some strange insect than an orchid flower!

The best Paphiopedilum was also awarded to Sally for *Paphiopedilum wardii*. This plant carried five flower spikes, the flowers having brown speckled petals, a green striped dorsal and a mottled lip; it was also awarded the trophy for Best Cyripedioideae (slipper orchid). The best Phragmipedium (another form of slipper orchid) went to Val Micklewright for *Phragmipedium Jason Fisher*. The large plant carried two large, deep red flowers and won Val the trophy for Best Hybrid in Show.

The best Phalaenopsis (moth orchid) plants were both miniatures. The best species was awarded to Penny Hayes for *Phalaenopsis celebensis*. This lovely orchid had mottled leaves and carried a large arching spike of small white flowers with a pink lip. It gained Penny the Chairman's Trophy for the orchid that 'particularly attracts the Chairman's eye'. The best hybrid Phalaenopsis also went to Penny for *Phalaenopsis lindenii* x *Cassandra*. This plant again had attractive mottled leaves and carried a spike of small pink striped flowers.

The Best Species in Show was awarded to Mike Penney for *Coelogyne fimbriata*. This very large plant (about 2 ft across) was covered in over 100 yellow flowers with a brown, hairy lip and certainly stood out in the hall.

Amongst the many lovely orchids that did not win awards were several *Maxillarias* from Michael McIlmurray's national collection. These plants add interest as well as scent to the hall.

I would like to thank all those who came to our Spring Show and hope that everyone forgot the November weather for a while and enjoyed an afternoon surrounded by beautiful orchids

SALLY MILL

CHS CALENDAR 2011

January	Sunday 16	Orchid Group AGM	2.30pm
	Monday 17	Alpine Group	8.00pm
	Wednesday 19	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm
	Thursday 20	Bonsai Group	8.00pm
February	Saturday 22	Quiz Night	7.30pm
	Wednesday 2	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
	Monday 7	Cactus Group	7.30pm
	Monday 14	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm
	Wednesday 16	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm
	Thursday 17	Bonsai Group Workshop	8.00pm
	Sunday 20	Orchid Group	2.30pm
	Monday 21	Alpine Group	8.00pm
March	Thursday 24 Society A.G.M.		7.45pm
	Wednesday 2	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
	Saturday 5	Saturday shop opens	9.00am –12 noon
	Saturday 5	Quiz Night	7:30 pm
	Monday 7	Cactus Group	7.30pm
	Monday 14	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm
	Wednesday 16	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm
	Thursday 17	Bonsai Group	8.00pm
	Monday 21	Alpine Group	8.00pm
	April	Saturday 2 Spring Show	
Monday 4		Cactus Group	7.30pm
Wednesday 6 Shop opens			6.30pm—8.00pm
Wednesday 6		Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
Monday 11		Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm
Sunday 17 Orchid Group Spring Show			1.30pm
Monday 18 Alpine Group Show			8.00pm
Thursday 21		Bonsai Group	8.00pm
Wednesday 20		Fuchsia Group	8.00pm
Monday 2		Cactus Group	7.30 pm
May	Wednesday 4	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
	Sunday 8	Orchid Group	2.30pm
	Monday 9	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm
	Saturday & Sunday 14 & 15 Plant Sale		In Shop hours
	Monday 16	Alpine Group	8.00pm
	Wednesday 18	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm
	Thursday 19	Bonsai Group	8.00pm
	Sunday 22 Bonsai visit to Marks wood		????
	Saturday 28 Cactus Group Show		10.00am
	Wednesday 1	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
June	Monday 2	Cactus Group	7.30pm
	Sunday 12	Orchid Group	2.30pm
	Monday 13	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm

June (cont)	Wednesday 15	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm	
	Thursday 16	Bonsai Group Show	8.00pm	
	Saturday 18 Summer and Pelargonium Show		1.30pm	
July	Monday 20	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 29	Last day shop open		
	Monday 4	Cactus Group	7.30pm	
	Wednesday 6	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm	
	Monday 11	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm	
	Sunday 17	Orchid Group	2.30pm	
	Monday 18	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 20	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm	
August	Thursday 21	Bonsai Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 3	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm	
	Saturday 6 Fuchsia Show		1.30pm	
	Monday 8	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm	
	Monday 15	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Thursday 18	Bonsai Group	8.00pm	
	Sunday 21	Orchid Group	2.30pm	
	Sat/Sunday 27 & 28 Bulb Sale in Shop hours			
	Saturday 3 1st CHS Autumn Show		1.30pm	
	Monday 5	Cactus Group	7.30pm	
September	Wednesday 7	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm	
	Monday 12	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm	
	Saturday 17 CHS 2nd Autumn Show		1.30pm	
	Sunday 18	Orchid Group	8.00pm	
	Monday 19	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 21	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm	
	Thursday 22	Bonsai Group AGM	8.00pm	
	Saturday 24 Saturday shop last day			
	Monday 3	Cactus Group	7.30pm	
	Thursday 6	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm	
October	Monday 10	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm	
	Sunday 16	Orchid Group	2.30pm	
	Monday 17	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 19	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm	
	Thursday 20	Bonsai Group	8.00pm	
	November	Wednesday 2	Cottage Garden Group	8.00pm
	Monday 7	Cactus Group	7.30pm	
	Monday 14	Fruit & Veg Group	8.00pm	
	Wednesday 16	Fuchsia Group	8.00pm	
	Thursday 17	Bonsai Group	8.00pm	
December	Sunday 20 Orchid Autumn Show		1.30pm	
	Monday 21	Alpine Group	8.00pm	
	Monday 5	Cactus Group AGM	7.30pm	

Some of the Groups do not meet in December. Check with the Group Secretaries