



California Gardeners' Club

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Last Club Meeting

On May Bank Holiday Monday John Negus came to give us one of his entertaining talks; this one was titled "12 Months of Colour". John is very knowledgeable on his subject, which he obviously enjoys, and has great enthusiasm.

He likes to divide the room into two groups and then pit one against the other to answer his questions. He has delightful slides of plants and gets people to try and identify them, with a great range of clues, hints and jokes. Amongst all this he gave us useful information on when to prune, the best positions for plants, the best time to give fertilizer and other tips.

There are small prizes of seeds and fertiliser for those getting the right answers. One can learn a lot of useful information, whilst having a laugh!

With all this going on, it is not surprising that he ran out of time, and he had only reached the Summer months! We hope he will come back and give us the rest of the talk.

Lynn Potts

Things to remember

1. Our next meeting is on June 4th when Geoff Peach will give us a talk entitled "Flower Shows can be Fun".
2. Trading hut – Now open Sunday mornings 10 to 12
3. The Queen's Oak pub is offering 10% off food for those showing their club membership card.
4. **Membership subs are now due.** Once again, we have held the cost at £5.

Membership

***Over the past six months our membership has steadily grown.
Why not tell your neighbours and friends about us and invite them to a meeting?***
Keeping annual membership at £5 makes us a great club to be a member of.
So, don't keep it a secret.

Data Protection

As you may be aware, new Data Protection laws require all clubs to conform to certain requirements. As such, we now have a Data Protection agreement on the reverse of our membership renewal/application form which members must sign to allow us to hold their personal details. As this was introduced part way into our club year, some members were not given the opportunity to read and sign. To reach those who have not signed, please see the full text of our Data Protection Statement which is attached to the end of this newsletter. If you do not wish us to retain your details (name, address, phone number, email address) for the sole purpose of communicating club activities, please reply to this email and we will remove your details from our protected database. Alternatively, you can write to R. Hawes, 1 Cumberland Way, Wokingham, RG41 3 AY

Up The Garden Path

Up The Garden Path' tickets are available for the advance price of just £2 (for 4 gardens!) at the Hut on Sundays and at our next Club meeting. Please support our charity this year 'Breast Cancer UK' and our 4 members who are opening their gardens on Sun. July 1st [2 -5.30pm](#). They are busy preparing gardens, cakes, etc., so do join us for this very enjoyable, relaxed social event. If you wish to leave it till the day, you can buy tickets for £2.50 (for all gardens) at the first you visit; the addresses will be available online in the next newsletter. Donations welcomed if you can't come along.

Outing

All payments for the Hillier trip will be due by the next Club meeting on Mon. 4th June (£25 each). If you know you cannot be there, email or phone Chris Spinks for her address to send a cheque. There are still places on that trip to Hillier Gardens on Tuesday 10th July; all are welcome, so tell friends and others in the clubs you belong to or ask their organisers if they'd announce it. Just one of the stunning features is the sculpture trail.

Deputy Chairman's Challenge

There has been a good uptake for the Deputy Chairman's Challenge.

This year it is a chilli – the variety is Rooster Spur. This was the variety recommended to me by Sarah Wain of West Dene. West Dene hosts a chilli festival every year.

There are a few plants remaining for those who would like to take part in the competition, the final of which will be held at the Summer Show.

I will be at the hut on Sunday 20th of May, and will bring the remaining few plants with me should anyone want to splash out £2-50 on one of the chillis.'

Ian Gillott.

Deputy Chairman

Wisley Ticket

The Wisley ticket is still available from Valerie Pickersgill. It allows two people a 30% discount. If you want the ticket for the day, then give Valerie a ring on 0118-9783647 to let her know when you will need them. Valerie will then let you know how to pick them up.

Monthly Table Competition

First with 27 points was Anne Blakeman, joint 2nd Peter Radband, Jean Potter and Ian Gillott with 25 points, 3rd with 24 points was Robert Vacher, joint 4th with 23 points was Betty Mold and Chris Curtis, 5th was Ros Slocombe with 20 points and joint 6th Vanessa Curtis and Hermione Lewis.

The subject for June is:

Any plant, flower, vegetable or fruit.

All exhibits must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least one month.

This year we will continue to offer a cash prize for first & second

Monthly talks

This is a call to members: if you have any ideas/requests for the subjects of the monthly talks, please let us know. Either reply to this email or give Hermione a ring (number below).

Chairman: Dick Hawes 0118 979 3730	Committee Member Kerry Eaton 07736 022361	Membership: Lynn Potts 0118 977 1852	Committee Member Peter Radband 01344 774310
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DATA PRIVACY STATEMENT

California Gardeners' Club

1. Your personal data — what is it?

Personal data relates to a living individual who can be identified from that data. Identification can be by the information alone or in conjunction with any other information in the data controller's possession or likely to come into such possession. The processing of personal data is governed by the General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR").

2. Who are we?

The Committee of California Gardeners' Club is the data controller (contact details below). This means it decides how your personal data is processed and for what purposes.

3. How do we process your personal data?

The Committee of California Gardeners' Club complies with its obligations under the "GDPR" by keeping personal data up to date; by storing and destroying it securely; by not collecting or retaining excessive amounts of data; by protecting personal data from loss, misuse, unauthorised access and disclosure and by ensuring that appropriate technical measures are in place to protect personal data.

We use your personal data for the following purposes: -

- To administer membership records;
- To fundraise and promote the interests of the club;
- To maintain our own accounts and records;
- To inform you of news, events and activities;

4. What is the legal basis for processing your personal data?

- Explicit consent of the data subject so that we can keep you informed about news, events and activities.
- Processing is necessary for carrying out obligations under employment, social security or social protection law, or a collective agreement;
- Processing is carried out by a not-for-profit body with a political, philosophical, religious or trade union aim provided:
 - the processing relates only to members or former members (or those who have regular contact with it in connection with those purposes); and
 - there is no disclosure to a third party without consent.

5. Sharing your personal data

Your personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and will only be shared with other members of the club for purposes connected with the club. We will only share your data with third parties outside of the club with your consent.

6. How long do we keep your personal data'?

Records are updated each year. Historical records are maintained for a period of 7 years and are then destroyed.

7. Your rights and your personal data

Unless subject to an exemption under the GDPR, you have the following rights with respect to your personal data:

- The right to request a copy of your personal data which the Committee of California Gardeners' Club holds about you;
- The right to request that the Committee of California Gardeners' Club corrects any personal data if it is found to be inaccurate or out of date;
- The right to request your personal data is erased where it is no longer necessary for the Committee of California Gardeners' Club to retain such data;
- The right to withdraw your consent to the processing at any time
- The right to request that the data controller provide the data subject with his/her personal data and where possible, to transmit that data directly to another data controller, (known as the right to data portability), (where applicable) (*Only applies where the processing is based on consent or is necessary for the performance of a contract with the data subject and in either case the data controller processes the data by automated means*).
- The right, where there is a dispute in relation to the accuracy or processing of your personal data, to request a restriction is placed on further processing;
- The right to object to the processing of personal data, (where applicable) (*Only applies where processing is based on legitimate interests (or the performance of a task in the public interest/exercise of official authority); direct marketing and processing for the purposes of scientific/historical research and statistics*)
- The right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioners Office.

8. Further processing

If we wish to use your personal data for a new purpose, not covered by this Data Protection Notice, then we will provide you with a new notice explaining this new use prior to commencing the processing and setting out the relevant purposes and processing conditions. Where and whenever necessary, we will seek your prior consent to the new processing.

9. Contact Details

To exercise all relevant rights, queries of complaints please in the first instance contact the Chairman, Dick Hawes at californiagardenersclub@gmail.com