

# Oxenhope

## Gardening club news

January 2016



## Welcome to a new gardening year

Happy New Year. I hope you are all looking forward to our 2016 programme.

We've arranged a variety of interesting speakers and garden visits to inspire and delight you – beginning with a talk on Bradford's ancient lost woodlands on Thursday, 21 January.

Later we have the unique plants of Tenerife – a place Darwin regretted not visiting; and in September, advice on how to incorporate tulips in the garden from tulip enthusiast and gardening expert, Anna Pavord, who is the associate editor of *Gardens Illustrated* and gardening correspondent for *The Independent*. For this talk we are arranging to order from Peter Nyssen, the bulb specialists, some of the bulbs that Anna will be recommending so that you will be able to buy them at the meeting.

These are just a few examples of a varied and interesting programme which we hope should enhance and inform your 2016 gardening year. And membership is still only £15.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible supporting our meetings.

Full list with more information about our meetings will appear on our website.

**Sandra**

### New season's meetings

**21 January**

Ian Butterfield: Forest of Bradford

**18 February**

David Allison: Fruit for All

**17 March**

Tom Hart Dyke

**21 April**

Mike Cunningham: A fresh look at dahlias

**19 May**

Plant Sale

**18 June**

Visit to Breezy Knees nursery and Linden Lodge, by coach.

**21 July**

Open Garden: Kath Batty's garden

**9 August (Tuesday)**

Visit to The Grange, Carleton at 2pm.

**20 October**

Timothy Walker: Plants of Tenerife – Go where Darwin did not

**17 November**

Kevin Pratt: "Don't go to sleep during winter."

# Sue weaves her way into national exhibition

Our treasurer, Sue Gibson, has another string to her bow – world standard tapestry weaving.



And **two** of her tapestries have been chosen to be exhibited amongst the work of professional tapestry artists worldwide, at the Cordis Tapestry Showcase at the Royal Academy in Edinburgh from 29 January to 20 February.

The exhibition is for tapestries which have been hand woven by the artist within the last five years. Pictured (left) is Sue's 'Postcard from Home'.

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## Year round plant table

Don't forget we are having a plant and book table at all meetings.

This year our spring plant sale is back to its usual spot in May – so before you know it it will be time to start thinking about seedlings, cuttings and divisions.

But please feel free to bring any seedlings or divisions to the meetings whenever you have them to spare.

## Signing in at meetings



**Please remember to sign in at each meeting you attend.**

Joan Roach will be the friendly face to look out for in January's meeting. Also don't forget to pick up your new membership card from the table at the back of the room.

## Need a lift?

If you would like help with transport to meetings and trips please tell either Jenny Hakney on 610599 or Ruth Shepley on 643437.

## Tea and coffee rota

Helpers are usually needed for the tea and coffee rota for our meetings.



All you need to do is set up, serve cuppas and tidy up.

Please ring Ruth or Sue if you can help:

- Ruth Shepley **643437**
- Sue Gibson **642684**.

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## Pictured on the masthead

The Hellebore pictured on the front page is *Helleborus x hybridus* 'Harvington White Speckled'. It was bought from Hodsock Priory in 2014 and was photographed in Jenny's garden on 17 January 2016.



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