

Oxenhope

Gardening Club News

October 2019



Looking forward to the 2020 programme

One of the many great speakers we have booked for 2020, is **Andy Sturgeon, Gold and Best in Show at Chelsea this year. See below, a photo of his winning garden.**



Other speakers will include Lucy Bellamy, editor of the prestigious magazine, Gardens Illustrated and John Grimshaw, Director of the Yorkshire Arboretum

Our coach trip next August will be to Trentham Gardens in Staffordshire, where there are wonderful gardens and landscapes designed by world famous Tom Stuart-Smith, Piet Oudolf and wild flower expert Nigel Dunnett.

We hope you will be as excited by the new programme as we are.

And, looking ahead (as we have to - this booking was made in 2016!) we have booked Chris Beardshaw to speak in 2021.

Sandra



Ornamental Shrubs

The speaker for October will be Tony Russell

Tony Russell is a leading authority on trees and shrubs and for many years was the Head Forester of Westonbirt.

He is also garden consultant to the National Trust and is a garden writer and editor of the annual publication, Great Gardens to Visit.

Tony will be drawing on his extensive experience to talk about and illustrate the wonderful variety of ornamental shrubs that we can grow in our gardens.

Euonymus alatus compactus.



A wonderful small shrub with stunning autumn colour.

Following this month's topic of ornamental shrubs, October's featured plant of the month is *Euonymus alatus compactus*. It's a compact, deciduous shrub. Its ultimate height after 20 years is 2.5 metres, so is perfect for a small garden providing a burst of intense colour in autumn when its leaves turn a fiery red.

It grows in any soil and is happy in either sun or partial shade

Nearest RHS listed stockists are RHS Harlow Carr, Harrogate and Holden Clough Nursery, Bolton-by-Bowland.

Gardening news and events

Autumn Festival Burton Agnes Hall, Driffield. October 19 to 20

Northern Fruit Group Apple Display. RHS Harlow Carr, October 30 to 3 November. Bring your own home grown apples along for identification

Embroidering Harlow Carr. Richmond and Leyburn branch of the Embroiderers' Guild display their depictions of autumn colour at Harlow Carr. October 1 to November 30

Christmas Crafts Bath House Gallery. RHS Harlow Carr: October 15 to November 24

2020 Membership.

Please remember to bring your cheque books to the November meeting!

Tea and coffee rota

Thank you to those of you who have recently volunteered to help with the rota.



If you can help please sign the rota sheet on the refreshment counter.

Or ring Ruth or Sue if you can help:

- Ruth Shepley **643437**
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