

Edinburgh & Lothians Rock Garden Group

Affiliated to the Scottish Rock Garden Club

Newsletter Autumn 2018

DUNBLANE SUMMER MEETING - Flowers of the Hills and Mountains **18th August, 10 am to 4 pm**

Venue: Victoria Hall, Stirling Road, Dunblane FK15 9EX

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Staging: 8.30 to 10.00 am

Talks by Razvan Chisu

11 am Plants and castles in Romania

2.30 pm 50 shades of green

LATE BULB DISPLAY, EDINBURGH - A celebration of autumn plants and bulbs

22nd September, 9 am to 4 pm

Venue: Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, Conference Room

20A Inverleith Row, Edinburgh EH3 5LR

(Entrance to the conference room is through the main reception in the science buildings at 20A Inverleith Row. This location is served by buses 8, 23 and 27)

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Parking: on the perimeter roads to the garden

Staging: from 9 am

Programme will include talks and guided tours:

10 am Frazer Henderson *Stars of the Celestial Mountains*

12 pm Margaret Thorne *Autumn bulbs of the Aegean*

2 pm Guided tours around the garden and the alpine department

Plant display, plant sale and biosecurity – UPDATE

We are looking forward to seeing benches full of beautiful plants. Please bring as many autumn flowering bulbs and plants as you can, either in pots or as cut stems in vases. Cyclamens, crocuses, colchicums, daffodils, ferns are all welcome. Contributions of seed, plants, bulbs, corms to the 50:50 sale are also needed.

To comply with the RBGE Plant Health Policy, following plants must not be brought to the venue (including plant sales):

- all woody plants such as trees, shrubs and conifers,
- *Trillium* species,
- *Clintonia* species.

Plants can be brought to the venue through the main reception at 20A Inverleith Row. In case of a large amount of plants, these can be dropped off by car using the Inverleith Place Lane access. To arrange this please contact David Millward or John Mitchell (jmittchell@rbge.org.uk). No plants are permitted to enter the garden area.

Lunch, teas and coffees – HOME BAKING WELCOME

Please bring your own packed lunch. There will be tea, coffee, soft drinks and some cakes available throughout the day. Any extra cakes donated by the members will be very welcome.

Contribution

We would be grateful for a contribution of £5 to help with our costs.

MACPLANTS OPEN DAY AT THE NURSERY

1st September, 10am – 4pm

Venue: Macplants, Berrybank, 5 Boggs Holdings, Pencaitland,
East Lothian, EH34 5BA
Tel: 01875 341179
Email: sales@macplants.co.uk

Macplants will have the shop and nursery open and Rob Potteron from Potterton's Nursery will be bringing a range of choice bulbs and alpines for sale. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available.

EVENING MEETINGS

Following a discussion regarding the reducing numbers of people attending the meetings, we are trialling an afternoon meeting on 12th February 2019 with an earlier start at 3pm. Hopefully this will bring more people to the meeting, especially students at RBGE.

EMAIL CONTACTS OF MEMBERS

In order to reduce costs for printing and postage and for the ease of communication, we are asking members to provide their email addresses. Please send an email to **petra.palkova@btinternet.com** with your **title, name, surname, membership number** and **your email address** to which you would like to receive emails from Edinburgh & Lothians Rock Garden Group. This data will be securely stored on computers of selected members of the committee (secretary, newsletter editor), retained for the period of person's membership and it won't be shared with any third party. The provided email addresses will be used to distribute the group's newsletter and to occasionally inform members about events and activities of the group.

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