

**EDINBURGH & LOTHIAN
ROCK GARDEN GROUP COMMITTEE**

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Provisional Show Dates for 2019

Dunblane Early Bulb	16 th Feb
Kendal	16 th March
Stirling Dunblane	23 th March
Hexham	30 th March
Edinburgh	6 th April
Perth	20 th April
Highland	27 th April
Glasgow	4 th May
Aberdeen	18 th May
Summer Event (Lockerbie)	22-23 June
Late bulb Glasgow TBC	September
Newcastle (Ponteland)	5 th October
Discussion Weekend	11-13 th October

11th September 2018

“Central Patagonian Safari”

Richard Green

As a keen walker, Richard is interested in seeing plants in the wild. He has visited the Picos, Pyrenees, Alps, Dolomites, Atlas, Rockies and Andes in the summer, as well as Greece and the Mediterranean islands for bulbs in the autumn. He plans to visit New Zealand South Island this winter. He has been the Scottish Rock Garden Club Treasurer since November 2014.

2nd October 2018 CHANGE OF DATE

Joint lecture with Caledonian Society

“Woodland Gardening, landscaping with rhododendrons, magnolias, camellias and acid loving plants”

Kenneth Cox

Born in 1964 into a family of renowned plantsmen, Kenneth Cox is grandson of plant hunter, writer and nurseryman Euan Cox and son of Peter Cox VMH. The three generations were and are considered the world's leading experts on Rhododendrons.

13th November 2018

Change of venue to Botanic Cottage situated on Inverleith Place

“Bhutan 2017 - The long walk ”

Joanne Everson

Joanne after managing the Kew RG and alpine collections for 15 years is now a Horticultural Botanist for the National Trust. She has travelled extensively on expeditions and tonight we will get an insight into her travels to Bhutan.

11th December 2018

Members' Evening

“Svalbard”

Bill Jessop

“Journey of a budding alpine gardener”

Petra Palkova

8th January 2019

Annual General Meeting

Photographic Competition

Two classes:

1. Plant, leaves, stem and roots
2. Weather

Entries can be submitted in digital, slide film or print formats to David Millward at dmillward6@aol.com
(Wine and nibbles)

12th February 2019

Change of time - lecture starts at 3pm

“Why grow alpines”

David Knott RBGE

Currently Curator of Living Collections, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh [RBGE]. Previously Curator of Dawyck Botanic Garden and Garden Supervisor at Logan Botanic Garden. David has a vast experience of Botanical Horticulture and has travelled extensively on plant expeditions. He is also president of the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society.

12th March 2019

“Labour of Love - 40 years of Potterton Nursery”

Robert Potterton Nurseryman

Joint lecture with Plant Heritage

A detailed review looking back at the history of the founding of the nursery back in 1971 when it was originally named Potterton & Martin and how the nursery has developed to the present day. This talk will also show the building of their beautiful rock gardens, nursery propagation methods and so much more.

9th April 2019

“Nymans Rock Garden restoration and seed collecting in Tasmania”

Charlie Bancroft Horticulturist

A late bloomer in the horticultural world, she became interested in plants whilst working in the administration team at RHS Garden Harlow Carr and went on to complete a three year apprenticeship at RBG Kew. At Nymans she is currently working on a project to restore the rock garden.



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Affiliated to the Scottish Rock Garden Club

EVENING MEETING PROGRAMME

2018 – 2019

**Meetings will be held in the
Conference Room,
The Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh
(Entrance from Inverleith Row)
Entry charge for meeting is £2
Doors open 7.00 for 7.30 pm
Guests and visitors welcome**

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