EVENING VISITS (V): Meet at the venue at 6.45pm. Car sharing is encouraged. **EVENING MEETINGS (M)**: Meet in the Village Hall, Main Street, Great Bourton OX17 1QW for a 7.30pm start.

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<u>Tues April 25th</u>: Coach trip to RHS Wisley £15 - must book in advance.

Weds May 3rd (V) DEAN MANOR, Dean, Chipping Norton OX7 3LD

Formal gardens, herbaceous borders, complex yew hedging, a new kitchen garden with splendid glasshouse – this 6-acre garden is not to be missed. An NGS garden.

Charge: £9 including refreshments + plants for sale.

Directions: (~ 45 mins) A361 through Chipping Norton. Take B4026 left for Charlbury. In Dean itself, when you come to a small island with a tree and bench, the Manor is on your right. Follow signs for parking.

Sun May 21st ANNUAL AFTERNOON GARDEN PARTY and PLANT SALE

Courtesy of Jenny Eadon and John Melrose, this is held at Church Close House, Church Close, Great Bourton, OX17 1RW.

Refreshments, raffle and plant sale. From 2pm.

Wed June 7th (V) PETTIFERS, Wardington, OX17 1RU

Internationally renowned Oxfordshire garden, famous for its Klimt border and parterre.

Charge: £10 including refreshments – must book in advance.

Directions: (~ 10 mins) Take the A361 to Wardington and turn right as if going to St Mary's Church. Pettifers is a few houses on the left, opposite Church Close, with blue gates. Park where you can in the village.

<u>Weds July 5th (V) WOODCOTE VILLA, Old Watling Street, Long Buckby Wharf,</u> Long Buckby, NN6 7EW

In a much-admired Northants location, this charming canal-side garden has a wide variety of planting styles in several themed areas. An NGS garden. Plants for sale (cash only).

Charge: £6 with refreshments.

Directions: (~ 35 mins) 2m NE of Daventry, just off the A5. Go to Daventry on the A361 and follow Long Buckby signs on the A4036. Turn L onto the A5. Old W

St is first right but for parking, please see the digital programme. NB Loos at the New Inn pub.

Weds Aug 2nd (V) CARTER'S YARD, Sibford Gower, OX15 5RW

A cottage garden in the heart of the village, bursting with unusual and colourful plants, there is a propagation area, espaliered apples and pears, plus raised beds for vegetables and soft fruit. An NGS garden. Plants for sale (cash only).

Charge: £10 including refreshments.

Directions: (~ 25 mins) Take the Broughton Road out of Banbury and follow all signs to Sibford Gower. In the village, go past the church and school on your left and then at the crossroads, turn left. The gate to the garden is a few yards on the left. For parking see digital programme.

Weds Aug 23rd (V) ROUSHAM, nr Lower Heyford, OX25 4QX.

Evening BYO picnic with BDGA £10 - must book in advance.

<u>Weds Sept 6th</u> (V) CEDAR HOUSE GARDENS AND GROUNDS, Cedar House, Wasperton, CV35 8EB

This large former vicarage garden includes a lily pond, new prairie garden, colourful herbaceous borders and a collection of Acer palmatum. An NGS garden.

Charge: £10 including refreshments.

Directions: (~ 30 mins) M40 and come off at J 15. A429 towards Wellesbourne. Turn right off the A429 into Wasperton. Garden should be signposted.

Weds Sept 27th (M) BGC AUTUMN SOCIAL.

Cheese and wine (BYO bottle) + raffle.

Weds Oct 4th (M) SPEAKER: Craig Blackwell.

"Wildflowers of the Cotswolds".

Weds Nov 1st (M) SPEAKER: Duncan Coombs.

"A Spring Visit to Japan's Gardens and Countryside".

Weds Dec 6th (M) BGC CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Charge: £5 for members; £6 for guests. (BYO bottle).

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING via email

Weds Feb 7th (M) DVD & Snacks

Weds Mar 6th (M) SPEAKER: Harriet Rycroft.

"A Year In Pots - Tips and Ideas for Keeping Container Displays Looking Good All Year".

Weds April 3rd (M) SPEAKER: Howard Drury.

"Gardening as we get Older".

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MEMBERSHIP FEES AND CHARGES

The membership fee for 2023 is £10 per person.

Charges set by the owners to visit locations must be paid by members, and vary as detailed in the programme.

All information here is correct at time of printing.

Non-members may attend one BGC outing, as included in the published programme, without joining BGC, after which he/she will be expected to join. Non-members must pay all charges made by the owner of the property visited.

Members do not pay for speakers in the Village Hall. Non-members may attend one talk free of charge, after which there is a charge of £2.50 for each event.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS MAY 2023 ~ APRIL 2024



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