

# Saffron Walden Horticultural Society

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2019

## 2019 Dates for your Diary

**Mar 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday -**

**Talk on "Life with Geoff" by, Nick Hamilton of Barnsdale Nursery (there will also be plants for sale) 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm Tickets Members £5.00 or Non-Members £10.00**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 8.00 pm**  
Talk on Growing and Using Plants in Containers by Robin Carsberg 8.00 pm

**April 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY**  
**SPRING – DAFFODIL & FLORAL Show**

**May Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>** Outing to Helmingham Hall Gardens Stowmarket Suffolk

**June 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday** Garden Party at Doreen Townley's 49 Ashdon Road Saffron Walden for Members & Friends - No Charge

**June 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday**, Stall in King Street, with Adult & Children's quiz and plant Sale

**June 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday** Outing to Bressingham Steam & Gardens Diss followed by a visit to Fullers Mill Garden West Stow Suffolk.

**June 16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY**  
**SUMMER – ROSE & FLORAL Show-**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** Outing by own Cars - Challis House & Gardens Sawston -

**July 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** Informal Picnic Lunch in Bridge End Gardens 12.30 to approx. 2.00 pm including Talk by one of the Gardeners. Bring your own lunch and chair and enjoy a sociable

## Welcome to the Bi-Centenary

### Spring 2019 Newsletter

Dear Members & Friends

The first event in our 200<sup>th</sup> celebration year will be a

**Talk on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 on**

**"Life with Geoff" by, Nick Hamilton of Barnsdale Nursery (there will also be plants for sale) as well as a Raffle. Wine/Soft Drinks will also be available. 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm Tickets Members £5.00 or non-Members £10.00**

**Tickets available from Doreen Townley tel. 01799522527 or Kate Chambers 01763 838754**

**As we are limited for numbers please order your tickets**

**ASAP to avoid disappointment, as** invitations have been sent to neighbouring societies.

Please come and support the Society in this Special Year.

The 2019 Handbook gives full details of all the other events which have been organised for this year, as well as 3 outings which we hope you will enjoy, as much as we did last year's outings.

As usual we have 3 Shows and we hope you will see something of interest that you will be able to Show and we would welcome anyone who feels they would like to help set-up the Show or would like to help in any other way.

There is a special class for the Daffodil bulbs that we have been able to register with the RHS under the name "Saffron Celebration". Last year we were given a choice of 2 unnamed bulbs from one of the top growers which we grew year and then we chose the one for our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

We hope that you will take the opportunity of visiting the Saffron Walden Museum to see the Anniversary Exhibition on display of the Society and it's history. We would very much like to thank the Museum for putting this on for us. The exhibition is open now until August.

On the morning of Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, Jackie is running a stall on the market to promote the Society. This will consist of a quiz for both adults and children, as well plants and flyers. If you feel that you can help for an hour on the morning you would be very welcome. Please contact Jackie or Kate if you can help.

meeting with members. Car Park close to American Memorial Playing Fields and Cricket Club. No Charge

**Sept 22nd  
SUNDAY - AUTUMN –  
HORTICULTURAL Show**

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>** 8.00 pm Tuesday  
“Winter tubs & Basket” – talk and demonstration by Lamorna Thomas

**5<sup>th</sup> Nov** 8.00 pm Tuesday  
Vegetable Growing & Showing – talk by Peter Cranfield – N.V.S Judge

**Dec. 3rd** Tuesday AGM followed by the Social Evening 8.00 pm

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**Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>** Tuesday 8.00  
Simon’s Quiz Evening - Gardening Quiz with Simon White of Beales Roses.

**Membership Subscriptions are due on 28th Feb 2019** if you have not already paid and wish to remain a member, please send them to Kate Chambers, Low Mead Upper Pond Street, Duddenhoe End Saffron Walden Essex CB11 4UR

**Society Website**

If you have any photographs for the web-site you can e-mail them to Annie Erdman at [annie-erdman@outlook.com](mailto:annie-erdman@outlook.com)

The website is [www.swhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.swhortsoc.org.uk)

**OUTINGS FOR 2019**

The 2018 Outings went very well and we hope you will enjoy the 3 interesting outings that Jackie has organised for 2019. , 2 by Coach and 1 local one to Sawston using our own transport. Going by Cars proved popular a couple of years ago when we went to Madingley Hall and then onto Impington/Histon. Full details are in the 2019 Handbook.

**Plant Stalls at our Shows**

There is a stall at every show selling members’ surplus plants and produce for the benefit of the Society. We are very grateful to everyone who gives us items to sell. If you are unable to attend the show, but have plants to donate please ring

**Help on Show Day**

If anyone can spare an hour on the Saturday before the Show on the Sunday to help set up the Hall, we would be very grateful, the time would be about 5.30 pm. and should take less than an hour. Also we always need help on the day of the Show or helping with stewarding, which means that you follow the judge round during judging or helping with the catering or Raffle Table.

Anyone who would like to know more about this ring me, Kate Chambers on 01763 838754 and we can have a chat. It really is very interesting and you also learn a lot about showing.

Hoping to hear from you.

Kate Chambers