

SADGA - Sunningdale & District Gardening Association - 2012 Programme Information:

MONTH	SPEAKER	TALK or EVENT	DETAIL
Feb 2	John Negus	Home Grown's Best: Choice of vegetables and how to grow them	John is a garden writer, broadcaster, lecturer and photographer. He has visited us before and his talks are excellent. February is a good month to be planning what vegetables to grow, so this visit is well timed. John often brings seed packets to hand out to the audience.
Feb 8	N/A	N/A	We will be visiting Ascot Horticultural Society for our annual Quiz playing for the Alistair Fosdick trophy. The evening includes a buffet supper.
Mar 1	N/A	Annual General Meeting PLUS two short talks from members	The AGM takes the first part of the evening and concludes with our President presenting the prizes and trophies in the annual competition. Members will have entered exhibits at the monthly meetings of the previous calendar year and been awarded points and prize cards. A couple of short talks from members will follow the prize giving, and the evening includes a buffet supper. Visitors are welcome to join us.
April 5	Harvey Stephens	The Royal Landscape and Savill Garden	This will be a good opportunity to learn about the history and planting of the Valley and Savill gardens.
May 3	John Paulding	Fuschias, Propagation and Nutrition	John is a retired teacher with 30 years exhibitor experience. He will give us a practical demonstration with slides and talk to us about the propagation and nutrition of fuschias. He will also have plants for sale.
Jun 7	Geoff Peach	The Basingstoke Canal	Geoff will give us a ranger's view of weather, wildlife and boating on the Basingstoke Canal.
July 5	Nicola Buckland	Chobham Common	Nicola is an Assistant Ranger for the North Team on Chobham Common. Her talk will cover the different management techniques that are used and we will hear about the reptiles, invertebrates, plants and ancient monuments that are on the common.

Aug 2	Michael Moulton	The Ribena Story	Horticulture from a commercial perspective – there is much to learn about the production and processing of black currants for this well known drink.
Sept 6	Nick Morgan	The Glasshouses at Wisley	Nick is the Superintendent of Glass, Propagation and Research at Wisley. We will hear about the history and building of the greenhouses and about the plants that are now grown there.
Oct 4	Geoff Lunn	Surrey Safari	This lecture comes highly recommended. The first quarter of the presentation mainly comprises photographs of birds and other wildlife taken in the garden. It then spreads out into the local countryside for the more wary animals and birds. Some amusing and light-hearted stories are included.
Nov 1	Tony Wolstenholme	The Importance of Bees	This will be a very interesting talk. We will hear about how important bees are in our environment and how we rely on them for pollination.
Dec 6	N/A	N/A	Annual Christmas Dinner to include a quiz and raffle - details will be confirmed around September.