

With a lively and keen membership we aim to bring fun and learning to the joy of gardening.

Starting with a glass of wine (or something softer) at 7.30 our meetings offer plenty of time to chat and swap notes. Our speakers or demonstrations usually run for an hour or a little longer and we make sure there is time for discussion of local issues, swap plants or continue with questions. The meetings finish around 9.30.

We work hard to ensure a good balance between entertaining, skill based, presentations on horticulture and talks that are simply interesting or very good fun. Wherever possible the presentations include some practical element. We also have several popular social events through the year.

Guests are very welcome to join us for most events.

***We meet in the hall behind St Bartholomew's Church***

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## Horticultural Club Programme 2025

Month	Talk/ visit
Jan 16th	Bees and Beekeeping - John Le Sève
Feb 20th	Grow Your Own 'Vegetables' - Lucy Chamberlin. A star of Gardeners World  Distribution of (free!) seeds for plant swap and the Garden Festival plant stall
March 9 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	Visit to Miss Willmott's Garden Daffodil display - Warley Place
March 20th	AGM  'What's in a name' - Lynne Moore. A light-hearted look at the reason behind the common names of plants and folklore
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	A Secret Jungle in Suffolk - Andrew Brogan. His story of developing a tropical garden in Suffolk
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Seedling exchange & coffee morning
May 28 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup>	Visits to Bressingham, Somerleyton Hall and East Ruston Gardens
June 8th	Village Garden Festival & the club plant stall
June 19 <sup>th</sup> (Thursday)	Visit to Feeringbury Manor
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	The Life of a Head Gardener - David Mitchell
Aug 17 <sup>th</sup> – date tbc	Summer Social - Barge Trip (this may be subject to change)
Sept 18 <sup>th</sup> (Thursday)	Visit to Blunts Hall - Witham
Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>	The Night sky - Paul Blakesley. Tiptree garden club thought this was so good they have invited him for a repeat!
Nov 20 <sup>th</sup>	Climate change, Gardening and Us - Sue Boase. The small things we can do in our gardens to make a difference (and impress our grandchildren!)
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Social