

BRENCHLEY & MATFIELD

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Society was founded in 1877 making it one of the oldest in England. We are an enthusiastic and friendly group for anyone sharing an interest in gardens and gardening. During the winter months there are six evening talks held on the second Wednesday from October to April in Matfield Village Hall at 7.30 for 8.00 pm – everyone welcome. In February there is a Wine & Cheese lunch for Society Members.

The year proper starts with the Spring Show, which gives everybody a chance to show off their daffodils. Exhibitors can also compete for a cluster of silver cups awarded for house plants, cooking, shrubs and flower arrangements.



In high summer, the Annual Flower Show is traditionally held in a marquee on Matfield Green providing a backdrop to the Village Fete which has grown up around it. There, members and other enthusiasts, compete for first place with their best vegetables, fruits, roses and other summer flowers. There are also classes for flower arranging, cookery, art & craft and a chance for children to showcase their creativity. Everyone is welcome to take part in the shows.

Members also benefit from discount arrangements for bulbs, seeds and garden plants and the Society arranges outings to gardens of interest.

Residents may join at any time by contacting the Chairman, Clive Ward, on 01892 722172, or by email: info@bmhortsoc.co.uk or via our website, or come along and join in person at one of our talks or events!

See our website for full details of all activities and photos of our shows and events. The 2025 – 2026 Programme is detailed on the next page...

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Programme 2025 – 2026

Talks - Matfield Village Hall - 7.30 for 8.00 pm

Wednesday 8 October	Growing for Chelsea Flower Show - Simon Sutcliffe
Wednesday 12 November	Winter Interest in the Garden - Kevin Tooher (followed by the AGM)
Wednesday 14 January	How Not to Kill your House Plants - Alison Marsden
Wednesday 11 February	Victorian Wonderlands of Craggs, Caves and Cascades - Jane Scotchmer
Wednesday 11 March	Preparing for a Village Flower Show - Jean Schofield
Wednesday 8 April	Themed Planting Schemes, Ornamental - Marie Shellcross

Events

Saturday 21 February	Members' Lunch
Saturday 28 March	Spring Flower Show
Wednesday 13 May	Quiz Night
Saturday 11 July	Summer Flower Show

**New Members Welcome: Annual Membership: £10 Individual / £15 Family
Talks, Members' Lunch and Shows are free to Members**

See our Website for more details

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