**Members 2017**

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| **Name** | **Contact** | **Horticultural Experience** | **Speciality** |
| **Cheshire** |  |  |  |
| Sam Youd | Tel:01565 634746Emailsam.youd@cheshireeast.gov.uk | Apprentice - Liverpool Parks, private service, Liverpool Parks, horticultural instructor, technical advisor, Garden Manager Tatton Park (31 years). | Orchid propagation, hardy plants, vegetables, fruit. |
| **Devon** |  |  |  |
| Don Cockman, M.Hort | Tel:01803 326392 | Wide horticultural experience. | General - gardens, flowers, fruit, vegetables. |
| **Hampshire** |  |  |  |
| John Penney, MI Hort | Tel:01425 612570Email:wilverley@btconnect.com | Over 50 years of experience in commercial glasshouse horticulture. I have been involved with the Flower Show at the New Forest Show since 1992, and became the Chairman and main show organiser in 2006. I joined the Guild of Horticultural Judges in 2012. | Cut flowers, pot plants and herbaceous. Will travel any distance for judging appointments. |
| **Hertfordshire** |  |  |  |
| David Beaumont | Tel:01707 258826Mobile:07900 583369Email:beaumont613@btinternet.com | London Borough of Camden from apprentice to Nursery Manager, over last 31 years. Head Gardener for the Marchioness of Salisbury at Hatfield House. | General horticultural exhibits, shrubs, trees, herbaceous plants grown organically. |
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| Laurie Eggenton | Mobile:07773 726440Email:l.eggenton@gmail.com |  |  |
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| Martyn Hird | Tel & Fax:01273 304523Email:iona1996@aol.com | Former Head Gardener in the private sector, last 20 years self-employed garden maintenance and design. | General ornamental, Britain in Bloom judge for last 11 years. |
| **Lancashire** |  |  |  |
| Sheenagh Panepinto BA (Hons) Garden Design | Mobile:07971 202728Email:panepinto1@btinternet.com | 11 years self employed garden designer. | Show gardens, general ornamental. |
| **Lincolnshire** |  |  |  |
| Peter Booker | Tel:01652 688625Mobile:07990 975389Email:pjbooker@bofield.co.uk | Grower and exhibitor of carnations and pinks. The author of many articles on carnations and pinks. Organiser of the Carnation World Championship 2009. | Carnations, pinks, horticultural trade exhibits, allotments and garden competitions. |
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| Mrs M Sumner-Wilson | Tel:01754 890256Mobile:07713 616904 | Have worked/shown for 42+ years in horticulture and floristry. Own oldest cactus nursery in the country. Been an Interflora florist for 25 years. | Cacti/succulents, general ornamental, greenhouse plants. |
| **London** |  |  |  |
| Jim C Buttress, VMH, AHRHS, FI Hort | Tel & Fax:020 8316 7669 | Superintendent of Royal Parks for 25 years (retired), Britain In Bloom judge for 25 years, chairman and judge all RHS shows. | All aspects of horticulture. |
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| Mark Wasilewski | Tel:020 7839 5235Work:020 7930 1793Email:markwasilewski@tiscali.co.uk | 30 years horticultural experience in the public sector, presently with The Royal Parks as Manager of St James' Park and The Green Park. | General ornamental horticulture. |
| **Merseyside** |  |  |  |
| Steven Perkins, F.ILAM, MI Hort, MILLM | Tel:0151 427 1114Email:steven.perkins123@btinternet.com | 50 years Local Goverment Officer, Parks and Gardens (retired). | General ornamental horticulture, parks and decorative displays. |
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| Terry Tasker | Tel:01704 213048Mobile:07951 834066tt911.com@gmail.com | Lecturer and writer, 25 years growing and exhibiting begonia species, Horticultural Adviser/Manager - Southport Flower Show. | Begonias, roses, chrysanthemums, sweet peas, horticultural trade exhibits. |
| **Northamptonshire** |  |  |  |
| Nicholas Warliker, BA(Hons), MI Hort | Tel:01933 682391Work:01933 353656Email:nicholas.warliker@gmail.com | Lifetime professional gardener, 25 years Head Gardener to HRH Princess Alice, BBC Radio Northampton Question Time panellist, garden centre manager, consultant and writer, AE tutor. | Fruit, vegetables, general ornamental, horticultural trade displays. |
| **Shropshire** |  |  |  |
| John Tilbury, AHRHS, MI Hort | Tel:01902 376960Mobile:07836 329156Email:mjtilbury@btinternet.com | Retired owner of nursery with 30 years showing experience and previously landscaping. | Conifers, hardy nursery stock. |
| **Shropshire** |  |  |  |
| John Tilbury, AHRHS, MI Hort | Tel:01902 376960Mobile:07836 329156Email:mjtilbury@btinternet.com | Retired owner of nursery with 30 years showing experience and previously landscaping. | Conifers, hardy nursery stock. |
| **Somerset** |  |  |  |
| Roy Cheek, AHRHS, B.Ed, M.Hort, F.Inst.Hort | Tel:01278 451814Mobile:07788 593674 | Nurseries, Parks Manager 18 years, Senior Lecturer and Curator of Cannington College 20 years, major show exhibitor 30 years, consultant, writer and international tour leader. | Very wide range. |
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| Gerald Morgan | Tel:01458 835861 | Lifetime in horticulture, covering public, private and commercial sectors. Principal Officer, Southampton Parks City Council. Supt. of Grounds, Royal Hospital Chelsea, now retired. | General horticultural exhibits, trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants. |
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| Mark Penton | Mobile:07938 503939 |  |  |
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| Vic Verrier, MBE, MILAM, MI Hort | Tel & Fax:01823 283203Mobile:07528 178088Email:vverrier@btinternet.com | Over 40 years horticultural experience, mainly in the public sector, now retired. A former parks and amenities officer with the local authority, President of RHS South West In Bloom region, radio broadcaster, writer and college panel horticultural advisor. | All aspects of amenity horticulture. |
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| Jon S Wheatley, AHRHS | Tel & Fax:01275 333007Mobile:07896 40518br>Email:jonswheatley@aol.com | 35 years Director of Parks & Leisure, City of Bath and City of Bristol. Now writing, broadcasting and consultant. | Dahlias, trees and shrubs, herbaceous. |
| **Sussex** |  |  |  |
| Mike J Griffin, FILAM, FI Hort | Tel:01462 743722Mobile:07746 668127Email:mj-kittygriff.bton@ukonline.co.uk | Kew trained, Director of Brighton Parks & Recreation Department (retired). | Wide general horticultural interests and knowledge. |
| **Tyne & Wear** |  |  |  |
| Rae Beckwith | Tel:0191 488 7138Work:07854 069783Email:raebeckwith@talktalk.net | 20 years Manager - Gateshead Council (retired), Chair - Whickham In Bloom, Chair - Houghall College Training Committee, Chair - Daffodil Society Northern Group, RHS judge for floral show and Britain In Bloom. | Daffodils, tulips, other spring subjects, roses, garden competitions, Britain In Bloom. |
| **Warwickshire** |  |  |  |
| Paul Almond | Mobile:07773 573071Email:paul-almond@live.co.uk | 32 years as Horticultural Manager with local councils, including floral displays, landscape design and maintenance. | General ornamental, show gardens. |
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| Christopher Arnold | Tel:07768 915748Email:chris.arnold2@tesco.net | Nurseryman, former exhibitor, landscape contractor, 42 years proprietor of own business. | Cacti/succulents, general ornamental, horticultural trade exhibits, show gardens. |
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| Nigel Bishop, AHRHS, DH(Edin), FILAM, Dip.PRA | Tel:01926 422014Email:nigel\_bishop@hotmail.co.uk | Head of Parks, Warwick District Council (retired), working in the private and public sectors for over 40 years in horticulture, landscape and arboriculture. | General ornamental, trade, to include trees and shrubs, hardy plants, cut flowers, pot plants, fruit and vegetables, landscape gardens. |
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| Mike Hinton M.Hort (RHS), Cert.Ed. (Fe) | Tel:02476 421958Email:mike.hinton@birmingham.gov.ukEmail:mhinton27@hotmail.co.u | 40 years with Birmingham City Council, now District Parks Manager, horticultural lecturer, former exhibitor at RHS shows. | Amenity Horticulture, general ornamental. |
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| John Staite | Tel:01386 446562Email:pjstaite@hotmail.co.uk | Nurseryman (retired) and former exhibitor of chrysanthemums and dahlias. | Wide range of horticultural trade stands. |
| **Wiltshire** |  |  |  |
| Angela Cave, NDH | Tel:01249 713520Work:01225 308092Email:cavea23@gmail.com | NDH Lackham, winner of Menhinnick Trophy and RHS award. Mendip District Council - Landscape Department. Own company design and gardening. Currently writing for Minerva Publications. | General ornamental |
| **Worcestershire** |  |  |  |
| David Hatfield | Tel:01905 827342Mobile:07866 885616Email:accounts@g4b.co.uk | Former nurseryman and exhibitor, many years judging experience across full range of exhibits. | Greenhouse/house plants, general ornamental, very wide range of horticulture. |
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| Robin Pearce MI Hort | Tel:01905 640977Email:robin@robinpearce.co.uk | Former exhibitor, nurseryman and show organiser, 35 years judging horticultural exhibits. | Herbaceous, hardy plants, general ornamental. |
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| Graham Redfern | Tel:01905 458863Email:grayjen@btinternet.com |  |  |
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| W J (Bill) Simpson, MBE, AHRHS, BSc (Hort), FCI Hort | Tel:01905 353314Mobile:07770 411611Email:wbillsimpson@btinternet.com | Over 40 years, education and training. Former Vice Principal Merrist Wood College, Principal of Pershore College of Horticulture (1980-1991), RHS Director of Horticulture (retired). | Cut flowers, pot plants, fruit and vegetables, horticultural trade stands, educational and scientific exhibits. |
| **Yorkshire (North)** |  |  |  |
| Roger Burnett | Tel:07967 465284Email:roger.burnett@scarborough.gov.uk | 39 years in parks, arboriculture and parks management, Chairman of Britain in Bloom. | Pelargoniums. |
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| Martin Fish, FCI Hort | Tel:01845 577157Mobile:07976 928005 | Experienced horticulturist with over 30 years in gardening. Parks Department trained, followed by nursery, landscape and garden writing and broadcasting. Show Director for North of England Horticultural Society (Harrogate Flower Shows). | Fruit and vegetables, general ornamental. |
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| David Matthewman Dip Hort (Kew) | Tel:01977 621381Email:paulinepeas@gmail.com | 37 years in the public sector, nurseryman and seedsman. | Sweet peas, dahlias, daffodils, dwarf rhododendrons and azaleas. |
| **Yorkshire (West)** |  |  |  |
| Malcolm Evans, FNVS | Tel:01924 271869Email:mhe1@hotmail.co.uk | President of the Northern Branch of the National Vegetable Society. Grower and exhibitor, 45 years qualified judge. | Gardens, allotments, exhibition vegetables and horticultural trade exhibits. |
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| David Mitchell, BSc (Hons), ILAM Dip.SDH, FI Hort | Tel:01977 689858Mobile:07967 730010Email:dave@daviddmitchell.co uk | 26 years in Parks, Chief Officer, 20 years self employed landscape contractor. Commercial experience in glasshouse crops and hardy nursery stock. Green Flag judge trainer, freelance writer and lecturer. | Gardens and allotments, hardy nursery stock, general ornamental, house plants, fruit and vegetables, horticultural trade stands. |
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| Sue Wood CI Hort | Tel:01423 505832Mobile:07732 155187sue.wood@harrogate.gov.uk | Horticultural Officer with Harrogate Borough Council since 1988, responsible for landscape schemes, liaising and mentoring "In Bloom" district councils and judging Britain in bloom. | General ornamental horticulture. |