



HPS ANNUAL LECTURE DAY

Saturday 24 March 2018

With sponsorship from

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**The day will be hosted by HPS Devon Group at
Petroc College of Higher Education (Mid Devon Campus), Bolham Road, Tiverton EX16 6SH.
We do hope you can join us.**



PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY

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| 9.00am | Registration, tea & coffee, plant sales |
| 10.30am | Welcome and introductions |
| 11.00am | Lecture: Julian Sutton |
| 12noon | Question and answer session |
| 12.25pm | Lunch and plant sales |
| 1.30pm | Annual General Meeting |
| 2.40pm | Tea/coffee break and plant sales |
| 3.10pm | Lecture: Nick Macer |
| 4.10pm | Question and answer session |
| 4.25pm | Closing remarks |

SPEAKERS



‘For us not them – fact, informed ideas and scurrilous opinion on the naming of plants’ – Dr Julian Sutton

Dr Sutton is a life-long plantsman who started out in academic botany and caught the garden plant bug while doing research at Ness Gardens in the 80s. He and Sarah ran their small Totnes nursery, Desirable Plants, for 20 years but they have now scaled back to two e-mail lists of choice plants per year.

‘Snow in Burma’ – Nick Macer

Nick Macer is the owner/director of Pan Global Plants, a Gloucestershire nursery that he has run for the last 20 years. Prior to that he worked at the Westonbirt and Hillier arboreta. He has travelled widely across the globe, botanising in 25 countries, and still fits in two plant hunting trips per year. In 2016, he presented Gardeners’ World for a short time.



CHARGES FOR THE DAY are the same as 2017:

Attendance including lunch	£22
Attendance, bring your own lunch	£16
Attendance at the AGM only, 1.30-2.30pm	free of charge

LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS

The venue is providing a hot lunch; please indicate on the booking form if you have any special dietary requirements. Petroc will allow a limited number of people to bring their own lunch; please indicate on the form if you particularly wish to do so.

PLANTS FOR SALE (plant crèche available)

- ***Desirable Plants** – shade loving plants a speciality, many epimediums. www.desirableplants.com
 - ***Pan Global Plants**, The Walled Garden, Frampton Court, Frampton-on-Severn, Glos. – as the name suggests but specialising in the rare and unusual. www.panglobalplants.com
 - ***Barracott Plants**, Old Orchard, Gunnislake, Cornwall – herbaceous plants with architectural interest and a wide range of exotics. www.barracottplants.co.uk
 - ***Hidden Valley Nursery**, High Bickington, Devon – unusual perennials, climbers, shade lovers.
Peter Lindley, tel: 017699 560567 or 07899 788789
 - ***Display to promote the new HPS Booklet on ferns**
 - ***The HPS Devon Group will have a stall selling the best of the west.**
- Any contributions from visitors would also be most welcome.

Other Stalls

*HPS Shade and Woodland Group

*HPS booklets

*HPS Devon Group Raffle

*HPS Variegated Plants Group

TRAVEL

Petroc College is easy to access from the M5: please see the map at

<https://www.petroc.ac.uk/contact-us>

By car: via the M5 to Junction 27, then A361 towards Tiverton. Take second Tiverton exit onto the A3126, continue across the roundabout, take next right and the college is on your right. There is plenty of level parking in the college precincts.

By train: fast trains run to nearby Tiverton Parkway. It is then 5 miles by taxi from the station to the venue. The licensed taxi company at the station is Parkway Taxis: 01884 38899. Jolly Jaunts Taxis is a local company which is allowed to pick up/drop off at the station: 01884 840979/07976 827762.

Exeter is 15 minutes by train from Tiverton Parkway or just over half an hour by car.

PLACES TO VISIT

For those who can come early or stay on to visit Devon at greater length, Knightshayes (NT) is very close, also Killerton. Topsham is an attractive small town on the R. Exe and you pass the award-winning Darts Farm to get there.

Nursery and gardens

*High Garden nursery, Kenton, near Powderham Castle, EX6 8NJ, has an exciting display garden at all times of the year and the nursery is open Tuesday to Friday 9am-5pm.

*Bicton Park Botanical Gardens, East Budleigh, EX9 7BJ, open daily at 10am, grade 1 listed gardens. www.bictongardens.co.uk

*Hestercombe Gardens, Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taunton TA2 8LQ only

6 miles from M5 J25, open daily 10am-6pm www.hestercombe.com

Also, three gardens are open for the NGS on Sunday 25 March 2018:

*Haldon Grange, Dunchideock, Exeter EX6 7YE

*Bickham House, Kenn, Exeter EX6 7XL

*Heathercombe, Manaton, Bovey Tracey TQ13 9XE

ACCOMMODATION

If staying overnight, please note the clocks go forward at 1am on Sunday March 25th.

*Best Western Hotel, Blundell's Road, Tiverton, EX16 4DB

0844 387 6193 www.bw-tivertonhotel.co.uk

*Travelodge, M5 Sampford Peverell Service Area, Nr Tiverton, EX16 7HD.

0871 984 6057 www.travelodge.co.uk

*Hartnoll Hotel, Bolham Road, Tiverton EX16 7RA.

01884 252777 www.hartnollhotel.co.uk

Bed and Breakfast:

*Howden House, Nr Tiverton, Devon EX16 5PB. 01884 253 132

*The Silverton Inn, Fore St, Silverton, EX5 4HP. 01392 860196

More information is at <http://www.discovertiverton.net/>