

SRGC SUMMER MEETING

Flowers of the Hills and Mountains

18th August 10.00am to 4.00pm

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Venue Dunblane Christian Fellowship Hall, Station Road,
Dunblane

Location Opposite the Railway Station

Staging 8.30am till 10.00 am on Saturday 18th August

A Summer Event to Celebrate Rock Gardening

This new event celebrates the fact that the SRGC is a garden club and the plants which members grow. It will illustrate and the beauty, diversity and garden worthiness of the widest range of rock and woodland garden plants, bulbs, shrubs and trees, to encourage their cultivation in gardens and to encourage the exchange of plants and knowledge among gardeners. The display is not intended to be floral art.

'Flowers of the Hills and Mountains'

The event is in FOUR PARTS

Four short talks on 'My Garden'. [c 30 min]

- Barry & Cathy Caudwell 'Creating a garden by the Tay Estuary' in Abernethy, Perth
- Bette Ivey 'Transforming my Garden' in Cupar, Fife
- John Owen, Askival - Trials Tribulations and Joys in Fort Augustus, Inverness-shire
- Ian Bainbridge on creating a 'Crevice Garden' at Easter Howgate, near Edinburgh

In these short talks these enthusiasts describe the development of their beautiful gardens and some of the plants that they grow and propagate.

A display of rock garden plants, flowers, foliage and fruit featuring

- ☐ rock plants in pots
- ☐ bulbs
- ☐ cut stems of flowers,
- ☐ cut stems of shrubs,
- ☐ cut stems of trees

We want a much **wider range of exhibits** than the usual shows allow for, celebrating plants in flower, using cut stems, as well as plants in pots. We want members to show **plants suitable for most gardens**, as well as any special plants or plants for special situations.

Seedling and plant exchange

- ❖ Members can donate pots of seedlings of which they have enough transplants for their own needs to share with other members
- ❖ Pots to be labelled- variety, sowing date, source and number eg SRGC 2011 No. 1234

- ❖ Pots should contain a ‘reasonable number’ of seedlings
- ❖ Large germinations can be split into several pots as appropriate
- ❖ Pots of seedlings will be sold with 50% going to the donor.

This is sound ecological practice, will result in recipient gardeners enjoying a wider range of plants and more of the seeds distributed by the SRGC will be grown on.

Plant Sales

- ❖ 50:50 PLANT SALE A members’ summer plant sale featuring many of the plants in the displays and any other plants. All plant sales on a ‘50:50 basis’.

Space will be available for Display Exhibits of photographs etc

Exhibits should be named as accurately as possible using the cards provided. The cards should be available at earlier shows so members can complete them in advance.

The Display Card would give space for:- The plant name, the grower and the town where grown

It could also include

- **information** the grower wanted to provide any eg country of origin, introduced by?
- **special requirements if any** e.g. - shelter, frost tender, care needed in different seasons, sea side, soil conditions, position etc
- **date of sowing, date of cutting**
- where it might be purchased - nursery etc
- are there plants for sale on the sales table? - *[tick box]*
- photographs of the plants growing in the garden or wild can accompany exhibits.

Exhibitors must supply their own containers [vases, bottles, jars, Oasis], which must be watertight. Cut stems can be displayed in

- ☐ Vases or glasses and tumblers, bottles - *depending on the exhibit*
- ☐ Used tins of various sizes, with the label removed. *[with the cut edge rounded]*
- ☐ Oasis in dishes, tins or jars
- ☐ The cut stems can be in water, wet sand, gravel or Oasis foam or similar material.
- ☐ The container must be heavy enough to allow it to stand upright with the exhibit

SCHEDULE FOR THE PLANT AND FLOWER DISPLAY

No prizes. No points. No limit on number of entries on any section.

Very Small	Height	up to 6”	up to 15cm
Small	Height	6” to 10”	15cm to 25cm
Medium	Height	10” to 20”	25cm to 50cm
Large	Height	over 20”	over 50cm

1 Plants in Pots for Flower

Cushion plant
Rock plant
Woodland plant
Bulb
Alpine House plant

2 Plants in Pots for Foliage

Cushion plant
Rock plant
Woodland plant
Bulb
Alpine House plant

3	Plants in Pots for Fruit or Seed	Cushion plant Rock plant Woodland plant Bulb Alpine House plant
4	Ferns in pots	Small Medium Large
5	Conifers in pots	Small Medium
6	Cut Flowers – Bulbs	Small Medium Tall
7	Cut Flowers - Rock plants	Very Small Small Medium Large
8	Cut Flowers - Other than rock plants	Very Small Small Medium Large
9	Cut Shrubs for Flower	Very Small Small Medium Large
10	Cut shrubs for Foliage	Very Small Small Medium Large
11	Cut shrubs for Fruit or Seed	Very Small Small Medium Large
12	Cut Conifers for foliage or cones	Small Medium Large
13	Trees suitable for a rock garden	Foliage Flower / Fruit
14	Small Trough	up to 18" x 14", 46 cm x 36 cm
15	Large Trough	larger than the above dimensions

Troughs can be planted up for general effect, for special subjects, single genus, foliage, flower colour, flowering season, country of origin of plants, geological areas. The trough should be accompanied by a sketch naming the plants.