**Members 2020**

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| **Name** | **Contact** | **Horticultural Experience** | **Speciality** |
| **Derbyshire** |  |  |  |
| Mel Henley | Tel:01663 611103Mobile:07446 037145Emailmel.henley@sky.com | Master of Horticulture RHS. Previous work as Parks Manager including Watford Botanical Garden, Head of Parks at Hackney, Oxford University Gardens and Nottingham Parks. Owned and run specialist herbaceous nursery. Britain in Bloom Judge and managed entries for several towns and cities. | General exhibits, show gardens, trees, shrubs and herbaceous. |
| **Hampshire** |  |  |  |
| John Penney, MI HortA person standing in front of a flower  Description automatically generated | 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. |
| Laurie Eggenton | Mobile:07773 726440Email:l.eggenton@gmail.com |  |  |
| **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. |
| **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. |
| 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. |
| 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** |  |  |  |
| Ann Holland, RHS Cert Hort, Prof Dip Garden Design | Mobile:07976 613632Email:Ann.holland10@btinternet.com | Gardens manager of private historic garden under complete renovation. Chair of Norton in Hales in Bloom, RHS Britain in Bloom Champions of Champions 2015. RHS National Finals judge for Britain in Bloom | General ornamental horticulture, parks and decorative displays. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| Mark Penton | Mobile:07938 503939 |  |  |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| **Tyne & Wear** |  |  |  |
| Rae BeckwithA person standing next to a body of water  Description automatically generated | 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. |
| Christopher ArnoldA person wearing a suit and tie smiling at the camera  Description automatically generated | 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. |
| Nigel Bishop, AHRHS, DH(Edin), FILAM, Dip.PRAA person standing in front of a building  Description automatically generated | 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. |
| 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. |
| Ken Wiggett | Tel:01962 420592Email:kenwiggett@hotmail.co.uk | 37 years in horticulture including contract management, landscape planning, displays and public presentations. Judging over 30 years including the Green Flag Award Scheme and Towns "In Bloom" awards. | Amenity Horticulture, general ornamental. |
| **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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| John Staite | Tel:01386 446562Email:pjstaite@hotmail.co.uk | Nurseryman (retired) and former exhibitor of chrysanthemums and dahlias. | Wide range of horticultural trade stands. |
| **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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| **Yorkshire (West)** |  |  |  |
| 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. |