

# RHS REGISTER OF SPEAKERS

Northern Ireland Region

2011



A list of speakers on  
horticultural topics

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The RHS Register of Speakers is published as separate lists for each RHS region with an index by lecture topic. The society is grateful to all those speakers that have agreed to appear on the register and wishes users of this register an entertaining year of talks.

The main body of the register is an alphabetical list of all the speakers that live within the Northern Ireland region. Each record contains the speaker's contact details, a brief biography, up to five examples of talks they provide with the relevant topic (see below) indicated in brackets, any equipment they require a society to provide, and the band (see below) into which their usual fee falls. Following this is an index of these speakers by topic.

Many speakers are prepared to travel to other RHS regions; so at the back of the register is a further index, separated into home region, of speakers that have indicated they are prepared to give talks in all or some of the Northern Ireland region. The topics they cover are given in brackets. Full details of these additional speakers can be found on the register for their home region.

Topics	Fee bands
A Specific Plants e.g. Roses, Clematis	a £0-50
B Famous Gardens; Garden History; Gardening Tales	b £51-100
C Garden Styles; Gardens Round the World	c £101-200
D Garden Design inc. Water Features & Containers	d £201-500
E Tips & Techniques; Botany; Pests & Diseases	e £500+
F Plants for Places; Seasonal Planting	f Negotiable
G Wildlife; The Environment; Organic Gardening	
H Fruit & Vegetables; Growing & Showing	
I Art & Photography	
J Talks on various topics from A to I; Miscellaneous	

Societies making use of the register are asked to contact speakers direct, but please bear in mind the following points:

- Always confirm the booking in writing, agreeing all details well in advance
- Supply the speaker with a map to help them find the venue
- See that any equipment is in good working order and suitable for the speaker's needs
- Detail somebody to meet the speaker and see that they are welcomed properly, showing them where to park, helping to unload equipment etc.
- Arrange for somebody to introduce the speaker and offer thanks afterwards
- Provide the speaker with a glass of water during the lecture and appropriate hospitality – offering tea, coffee etc. – for the duration of their visit
- A speaker may have many more talks than those listed in the register; so it is worthwhile contacting them to obtain a complete list
- Fees quoted may not include travel and other expenses; these additional charges should be agreed with the speaker in advance
- Ensure any payment due is settled as soon as possible after the event

If you have any questions, spot an error, would like to receive copies of the register for other regions or would like to appear on the register, please visit [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk) or contact [communities@rhs.org.uk](mailto:communities@rhs.org.uk), 020 7821 3069 or RHS Register of Speakers, Department of Community Horticulture, 80 Vincent Square, London SW1P 2PE.

**Please note:** this is a free service provided by the RHS to assist speakers and societies alike, and a speaker's appearance on the register does not confer any endorsement by the RHS. The RHS is not responsible for third parties contacting individuals listed in the RHS Register of Speakers.

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*Studied in Dublin Botanic Gardens, Head Gardener in Airfield, Dublin for 10 years. Proprietor of garden of Hunting Brook, as featured in many UK publications such as Gardens Illustrated & Country Life, an ever-changing garden consisting of a fusion of tropical, prairie and woodland plants.*

- New & Exciting Perennials (A,J)
- If you go down to the woods today (Shade Plants) (F,A)
- Hunting Brook gardens through the seasons (B)
- The Contemporary Mixed Border (D,J)
- New & Exciting Shrubs (A,J)

Equipment Required: Screen

Fee: D

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Owens Ballyrobert Cottage garden and nursery. Former director of Parks, Belfast City council. Garden designer and horticultural consultant. Regular contributor to BBC's gardener's corner.

- The Birth of an Ulster Garden (C,B)
- Less effort and more leisure in the Garden (E)
- Autumnal Splendour (F)
- Tree-mendous gardening (F)
- Gardens of Ulster (C,B)

Equipment required: Screen only

Fee: b + travel costs

## **Currently, there are only two speakers on the register that live in Northern Ireland; however, given below are speakers from other regions that will cover Northern Ireland**

(The full contact details for these speakers can be found on the register for the relevant region)

### **Scotland**

Cox, Mr Kenneth (B, D, F)

Jermyn, Mr Jim (J)

Knott, Mrs Charlotte Tessa (B, C, D)

Smith, Mr Bob (A, E, J)

### **North West**

Crowder, Mr Chris (B)

Foley, Mr Peter (A, F)

Fox, Mrs Vicky (A, D, E, F, H, J)

Hampsey, Mr David (H)

Holliday, Mr Christopher (C, J)

Howarth N.D.H., Mr Peter (A, E, F)

Morris, Mr Terry (A, H, J)

Swan, Mr Jack (A, B, C, F)

Youd, Mr Samuel (B, C, E)

### **North East**

Armitage, Mr John (A)

Clark, Ms Sarah (F)

Gardener, Mr Geoffrey (A, H)

Platt, Ms Karen (B, D, E, G)

Stewart, Mr Doug (C, E, F, J)

Wilson, Mr Matthew (C, F, G, J)

### **East Anglia**

Barrere, Mrs Colette (B)

Biggs, Mr Ray (B, G)

Brown, Mr Michael (B, F)

Buchan, Miss Ursula (B, C, D, F, I)

Flowerdew, Mr Bob (E, F, G, J)

Harpur, Mr Jerry (C, D, E, F, I)

Holmes, Ms Caroline (A, B, C, D)

Nelson, Dr E. Charles (B, C, G)

Rice, Mr Graham (A, F)

Staines, Mr Wol (B, F, J)

Walkden, Miss Christine (C, E, F, J)

Warren, Mr Michael (B, C, F, I)

### **South East**

Bareham, Mr Peter (B, C, D, J)

Biggs, Mr Matthew (D)

Buckingham, Mr John (G)

Burras, Mr Ken (B, F)  
 Campbell, Mrs Susan (B, C)  
 Chadwell, Mr Christopher (B, J)  
 Crisp, Mr Stephen (B, C, D)  
 Fitton, MBE, Mr David (D, E, F)  
 Fooks, Mrs Heather (E)  
 Hardy, Ms Rosemary (A, F)  
 Harmer, Ms Jennifer (A, B, C)  
 Harmon, Mr Keith (J)  
 Holmes, Mr Ronald (A, E)  
 Houghton, Ms Roslyn (A, D)  
 Ingwersen, Mr Paul (A, C, D, F, J)  
 Klein, Ms Carol (F)  
 Marsh, Mr David (B, C)  
 Mattock, Mr John (A, H)  
 McCormack, Mr John (I)  
 Miles, Mr Tim (B, C, D, F, H)  
 Morgan, Mr Nicholas (B, D, E, F)  
 Negus, Mr John (D, F, J)  
 North, Mrs Christine (D, E, F, G, J)  
 Owen, Ms Jane (B, C, D, H, J)  
 Parsons, Mr Roger (A)  
 Pattison Dip Hort (Kew) F I Hort, Mr Graham (B, C, F, G)  
 Pavey, Mr Graham (C, D, F, J)  
 Phillips, Mrs Barty (B, D, G, I)  
 Templeton, Mr Paul (A, E, G, H)  
 Underwood BSc Hons (Hort) MI Hort, Ms Penny (C, D)  
 Walker, Mr Timothy (A, B, C, D, E, G, J)  
 Wiltshire, Dr Richard (J)

### South West

Allen, Mr Chris (A, B, F)  
 Bailes, Mr Christopher (F)  
 Baker, Mr Terry (C)  
 Balston, Mr Michael (D)  
 Blanchard, Mr John (A)  
 Buckland, Mr Toby (E, F, G, H)  
 Cheek, Mr Roy (A, B, C, F, G)  
 Colclough, Mr Harry (A, B, J)  
 Doy, Mr Caradoc (B)  
 Gregson, Mrs Sally (A, B, C, F)  
 Griffith, Mr Stephen (B, C)  
 Hiley, Mr Brian (B, C, F, J)  
 Hughes, Mr Kevin (C, E, G)  
 Lyman-Dixon, Mr Anthony (A, B, H)  
 Manners, Mr David (A, D, E, G, I)  
 Musgrave, Dr Toby (B, C)  
 Nicholls, Mr Graham (A, E, G)  
 Sanders, Mr John (A, D)  
 Skelmersdale, Lady Christine (A, D, E, F, J)  
 Taylor, Mr David (A, E)  
 Trehane, Miss Jennifer (A, H)  
 Underhill, Hon. Terry Leonard (C, G, J)  
 Wills, Mr and Mrs Howard and Sally (A, C, E, F, G, I)  
 Wiltshire, Mr Trevor (A, B, C, D)

### Central

Banks, Mrs Elizabeth (A, B, C, D)  
 Bourne, Ms Val (A, B, F, G)

Coombs, Mr Duncan (A, B, C, D, F)  
 Dixon, Mr Stuart (A, B)  
 Drury, Mr Howard (C, I, J)  
 Ffoulkes Jones, Ms Christine (A, F, H)  
 Fishbourne, Mr Richard (D, G)  
 Hamilton, Mr Nick (A, B, F, G, H)  
 Kaye, Hazel (A, F, J)  
 Kingsbury, Dr Noel (F, G, I, J)  
 Mason, Mr Alan (B, C, D, F)  
 Massey MBE, Mr John (A, D, F)  
 Millington (OND), Mrs Ingrid (B, C, F)  
 Millington M Hort, Mr John (A, E, F)  
 Millington (LLB), Sarah (A, B)  
 Page, Dr John (B, C)  
 Phillips, Mr Stuart (B, C, D, E, F, J)  
 Sinclair, Mr Gerald (A, F)  
 Smith, Mrs Linda (D, E, F, G)  
 Turner, Mr Roger (A, B, C, D, E, F, J)  
 Umpelby, Mr Roger (C, E, G, H)  
 Ward, Dr Andrew (A, F)

### Wales

Hawes, Mr Charles (B, C, D)  
 Maisey, Mr Charles (H)  
 Stokes, Mr Ivor (A, B, F)  
 Thomas, Ms Carrie (A, C, D, E, F, G, J)  
 Toyne, Mr David (C, E, F, G)