Autumn 2023 meeting



Our Autumn 2023 meeting was on Sunday 22nd October 2023.

In the morning, Val Bourne gave a talk on "*Plant Passions at Spring Cottage*". It was a general talk about her garden but included the use of South African plants such as Crocosmias etc. In the afternoon, Jon Evans talked about South African bulbs grown at Keith Wiley's Wildside Garden in Devon, and Paul Cumbleton gave part 3 of his series of short talks on "*Sorting out the Massonias*".

Val Bourne is a fully paid-up member of Plantaholics Anonymous and she has a south-facing, third-of-an acre garden in the wonderfully named village of Cold Aston, high above Bourton-on-the-Water in the Cotswolds. Her plant passions include crocosmias, kniphofias, agapanthus, snowdrops, erythroniums and hardy ferns etc. Val is a life-long organic gardener and she trialled herbaceous plants for the RHS for over 20 years. She's an Ambassador for the Hardy Plant Society and has won numerous awards for her articles and her books.

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