

THE EAST ANGLIAN GARDEN GROUP

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1. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for 1994 (£2.00 per head) are now due, and if not already paid should be sent to the Treasurer at the above address by 5th March at the latest. Reminder letters will no longer be sent and it will be assumed people no longer wish to remain members if they have not paid by March.

2. WAITING LIST

There is a full compliment of members, but names for the waiting list may be sent to the Secretary.

Visitors may be brought to the meetings at the discretion of the Secretary depending on the numbers expected at the meeting, and a voluntary donation made to Mr Hart at the plant stall.

3 PLANT STALL

Please continue to bring a wide variety of plants to the plant stall as this provides a good source of necessary income to the Group as well as greatly benefiting members, enabling them to acquire unusual and interesting plants cheaply. However, please ensure that the plants are well and clearly labelled.

N.B. The Alpine Garden Society of East Anglia Show will be held at Uplands Middle School, York Road, Sudbury on the 7th May 1994 from 12.00noon to 4.00pm
This show is open to the public.

4. PROGRAMME FOR SPRING & SUMMER 1994

Saturday 5th February 2.30pm at Hitcham Village Hall.

Mr Jan Michalek, Head Gardener at Ickworth Park, will talk about Horticulture in Poland.

Contributions to both tea and plant stall, please.

Saturday 5th March 2.30pm at Hitcham Village Hall. Mrs Joy Larkcom will give a talk on Oriental vegetables, entitled "A Wok full of Vegetables". Mrs Larkcom is widely known for her books, articles and broadcasts on vegetable gardening.

Contributions to both tea and plant stall, please

Saturday 16th April. Coach trip to Kew Gardens. This outing is for members only, due to limited seating on the coach. Please contact Mr Hart nearer the time to see if there are any seats available for friends. The cost of the outing will be £5.00 which does not include entry to Kew (this will be £3.50 for adults and £1.80 for concessionary tickets). This visit will be accompanied by Mr Ian Beyer, who until retirement was Deputy Curator of the Living Collections at Kew Gardens, and members will remember the talk he gave in October on the conservatories at Kew. Please send £5.00 in full (non-refundable) to Mr Hart when booking your place, using the form at the end of this newsletter, indicating pick-up point.

Departure times:	Ram Meadow car park, Bury St Edmunds	8.30am
	The Cock Inn (opposite the Church) Lavenham	9.00am

There is a restaurant at Kew Gardens.

Saturday 14th May Visits to Saling Hall, Great Saling, near Braintree by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Hugh Johnson and to Saling Hall Lodge by kind permission of Mr & Mrs K Akers. Saling Hall is a 12 acre garden including a walled garden dating from 1698. There is a small park with emphasis on unusual trees and water gardens. Saling Hall Lodge is a well designed and maintained half acre garden with pond, limestone rock garden, small peat garden, tufa bed and sinks. There will be a charge of £1.50 in aid of NGS at Saling Hall and a charge of 80p to include tea, at Saling Hall Lodge. Members are requested to park their cars at Saling Hall and walk the very short distance to Saling Hall Lodge. Tea at Saling Hall Lodge will be at about 4.00pm.

Saturday 11th June. Coach trip to Careby Manor, Stamford, Lincolnshire by kind permission of Mr Nigel Colborn. The group will visit Careby Manor in the morning and Rassel's Nurseries in the afternoon. Please bring a picnic lunch. Careby Manor garden consists of 2½ acres of 'manicured' area with mixed borders, lots of walls and hedges making interesting divisions, a worthwhile collection of plants and a certain amount of design work in progress for a future series in Gardeners' World Magazine. There is a further area of around 20 acres of grassland, some wilderness and trees, and plenty of room for picnicing. The cost of this outing will be £7.00 to include a donation of £2.00 per head to Mr Colborn's nominated charity for the homeless. Please send the £7.00 (non-returnable) in full to Mr Hart, using the form at the end of this newsletter, indicating pick-up point. Again, this outing is only for members.

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Saturday 16th July 2.30pm Visit to Mrs D Cargill's garden, Elsing Hall, Dereham, Norfolk. (Map attached). Elsing Hall is a medieval house surrounded by a moat. There are over 200 varieties of old fashioned roses, a wild flower lawn, walled kitchen garden with roses, fruit trees and clematis. Rare and interesting trees in an arboretum and a newly planted knot garden. There will be a charge of £1.50 for the NGS. Mrs Cargill is hoping to arrange teas for members, for which there will be small charge.

Directions (not map) for finding Elsing Hall, Dereham on 16th July

From Swaffham take the A.47 to Norwich. At the end of the new Dereham bypass you will see a sign on the left B1110 to North Tuddenham and Elsing. You will immediately come to a T-junction, take the left turning, not the right indicating Elsing. After about 400 yards you will see a pub on the left called The Lodge, take the small right hand road beside the pub. Just under a mile along the road you will come to another T-junction; turn right and immediately left into the drive of Elsing Hall.
