

Norfolk Plant Heritage

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Dear Member(s)

Gala on Sunday 15 April 2018 at East Tuddenham Jubilee Hall, NR20 3LR

The Gala for 2018 is entitled 'To the Ends of the Earth; plant conservation and plant hunting', subjects which are, of course, so important in this day and age. To focus on these subjects we have two great speakers in Timothy Walker and Tony Kirkham. Many of you will have heard Timothy Walker speak but it is always a pleasure to be able to hear him again. He was the Director of the University of Oxford Botanic Garden and is currently a stipendiary lecturer in Plant Science at several colleges, including Somerville. His lecture is entitled 'Plant Conservation; is your garden better than a nature reserve?' and is based on his book 'Plant Conservation: Why It Matters and How It Works'. Tony Kirkham has worked at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew since 1978 and is now head of the Arboretum, Gardens and Horticultural Services. He is an author, has led planting hunting trips abroad and has appeared in two BBC programmes on trees and Kew. He was also made an Associate of Honour by the RHS in 2009. His lecture is entitled 'In Search of Trees; plant exploration yesterday and today'. In addition, we will have plant sales by The Place for Plants from East Bergholt in Suffolk and Long Acre Plants from Charlton Musgrove in Somerset.

The day will begin at 11am for coffee and plant sales, followed by the first lecture. Lunch will follow, along with another opportunity to buy plants. We will then hear our second speaker and the day will be rounded off with those last minute plant buys! The cost for the day is £12.50 for members and £16.50 for non-members. You can bring your own lunch or we can supply lunch; we will serve a delicious ham or cheese ploughman's, with crusty bread and pickles, at a cost of £6. You will also be able to order plants in advance from The Place for Plants - choose plants by looking at their website www.placeforplants.co.uk and then e-mail your selection to sales@placeforplants.co.uk or telephone to place the order on 01206 299224. Long Acre Plants specialise in plants for shade so look at their website - www.plantsforshade.co.uk and then e-mail your selection to info@longacreplants.co.uk or telephone to place your order on 01963 32802. In both cases make it clear that they are to be collected at the Gala.

As has been the case in the past, Norfolk Plant Heritage members will obviously get priority for booking. The event will then be opened up to other groups in January 2018. This promises to be a very special Gala, with superb speakers, two very good nurseries and delicious food so I do hope that you will come along. Please book using the enclosed form, and return to me with a cheque and an SAE. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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Programme Secretary

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**Booking form for Norfolk Plant Heritage Gala –
'To the Ends of the Earth; plant conservation and plant hunting' Sunday, 15 April 2018**

Name(s).....

Address.....

Telephone No: Home.....Mobile.....e-mail:.....

No. of tickets required:-

Members with/without lunch.....Non members with/without lunch.....

If you have booked lunch please indicate whether you would like cheese or ham ploughman's.

No. of cheese.....No. of ham.....

I/We enclose an SAE and a cheque made payable to Norfolk Plant Heritage for £12.50/£18.50 per person (Member) or £16.50/£22.50 per person (Non member)