

LLANDEILO and DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

PROGRAMME 2006 – 2007

- Thursday 2 November 2006** **The Holly Tree, History, Cultivation and Varieties**
Philip and Fiona Lanc of Welsh Holly Nursery in St Clears will illustrate the many varieties of holly that exist and will have examples for sale. In the winter months their plants occupy the Primula Theatre in the National Botanic Garden of Wales
- Thursday 7 December 2006** **Plant Collecting in Iran**
Dr Robert and Mrs. Rannwig Wallis will illustrate their plant hunting expedition to this country that is so much in the news for reasons other than its flora.
- Thursday 4 January 2007** **Orchids in the Cool Greenhouse**
Dr Kevin Davies is the enthusiastic founder of The Orchid Study Group. The group meets regularly at The National Botanic Garden of Wales. He will pass on his considerable knowledge of orchid cultivation and their structure and evolution. He will bring flowering examples.
- Thursday 1 February 2007** Quiz and Social Evening
- Saturday 3 February 2007** STUDY DAY
Morning Seminar ----**Pruning Shrubs and their Aftercare**
Afternoon Seminar – **Gardens of China, Ancient and Modern**
Duncan Coombs has been, for the last 22 years, the lecturer in Decorative Horticulture at Pershore College. He has been interested in gardening since the age of four. He trained at GLC Merton Parks Department followed by several posts in horticulture before settling at Pershore. He is widely travelled, particularly in China.
- Thursday 1 March 2007** **Columbines or Granny's Bonnets—*Aquilegia vulgaris***
Carrie Thomas is a biologist living in Clyne Valley, Swansea. She is the holder of the National Collection of *Aquilegia vulgaris* cultivars and hybrids and will pass on her knowledge of their propagation and cultivation. There will be plants and seed for sale.
- Thursday 5 April 2007** **Trilliums and Woodland Plants of North America**
Dr Keith Ferguson trained as a botanist and worked in the USA for a period. He then spent 29 years at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew from where he has recently retired as Deputy Keeper of the Herbarium and Head of the Pollen Unit. He and his wife live in Gloucestershire where they are creating a new garden.

- Thursday 3 May 2007** **The History, Science and Art of Sundials**
David Brown lives in Somerton, Somerset where he has a small business as a letter-cutter and sundial maker in stone and slate. He has received awards from the British Sundial Society for two of his dials that can be seen at Christ Church, Oxford and St Thomas's Square, Salisbury. He will have examples as well as his power point presentation.
- Thursday 7 June 2007** **Women and the National Trust as Gardeners, Protectors, Donors and Builders**
Judith Plante Cleall is a retired head teacher and keen amateur gardener living in All Cannings near Devizes in Wiltshire. She has been a member of the Wessex Region of the National Trust and intimately involved with Historic Gardens
- Thursday 5 July 2007** **The Creation of the Welsh Landscape**
Richard Keen has his own Heritage Landscape, Culture and Tourism Company based in Llandeilo. Richard, a renowned Welsh historian, is a regular Television Presenter, author of books on landscape and industrial archaeology and advisor to the National Trust
- Thursday 2 August 2007** **Open Day**
- Thursday 6 Sept 2007** **Herbs, Their Propagation, Cultivation and Culinary Use**
Andy Cook is the owner of Rhos Hill Garden Plants near Cardigan that he established after an early career with Wyevale. He grows a very wide selection of herbs and also a range of shrubs that he sells at Farmers Markets as well as from his nursery.
There will be lots of plants for sale.
- Thursday 4 October 2007** **AGM**
Gardens we have visited in 2006/07
Ivor Russell of Llannon is a long standing member of our Club and first rate photographer. His presentation will bring back memories for those who attended the visits and show those who were absent what they missed.