

News

Future meetings

Autumn 2026 meeting

The Autumn 2026 meeting will be on **Sunday 25th October 2026** at Heath End Village Hall, Heath End Road, Baughurst (near Tadley, between Basingstoke and Reading) RG26 5LU
<https://www.heathendvillagehall.co.uk/>

Further details will be posted here in due course, including Directions to the meeting hall.

The provisional timetable is: The doors will open at 10.00, and the meeting will close at about 15.00. SABG and NAAS members, their guests and visitors are welcome. There will be a small admission charge. Parking is free.

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Newsletters

- The most recent published newsletter is [number 52](#) (November 2024)
- You can read or download all the SABG newsletters from our [list of newsletters](#)

News items

- New additions to our [Digital library](#) include: Pauline Perry (1990) **Bulbinella -- a neglected garden plant?**, *Veld and Flora*, December 1990 [7 November 2025]
- Graham Duncan visited the UK again in October 2025, during which his main purpose was to photograph Nerines in cultivation. Thanks to an invitation by SABG member Peter Kohn, Graham gave a talk entitled "*Kirstenbosch, the most beautiful garden in Africa, and its collection of South African bulbs*", in the Dorothy Fox Education Centre in Sheffield Botanical Gardens on October 14th, attended by about 100 people. The meeting was hosted by the Friends of the Botanical Gardens, Sheffield, of which Peter is currently Acting Chair. [15 October 2025]
- **The SABG is 21 this year!** The original announcement about the formation of the Group appeared on 4th April 2004 in "The African Garden" web site run by David Fenwick. Unfortunately the original site may no longer exist, but thanks to the excellent work by the people at the [Internet Archive \(archive.org\)](#) a preserved copy of the web site can be seen at [The African Garden](#). [20 August 2025]
- The [list of bulbs and seeds](#) in the [2025 Bulb & Seed Exchange](#) is available: requests from SABG members to reach Jon Evans by **30th August**. [16 August 2025]
- A video of Graham Duncan's talk "**Agapanthus, Lachenalia and a lifetime spent at Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden: 1979 - 2024**" is available to SABG and NAAS members for viewing after the meeting. SABG members can email Richard for the link. [27 March 2025]
- The new *Haemanthus* book from Dee Snijman is available online at https://www.sanbi.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/2025_Strelitzia48.pdf [Jon Evans, 13 March

2025]

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Recently changed web pages and documents

- [Directions to the meeting hall - \[Badger Farm Community Centre, Winchester\]](#) (19:51 14/05/2026)
Directions to the meeting hall Our next meeting on Sunday 25th October is at Heath End Village Hall, Heath End Road, Baughurst (near Tadley, between Basingstoke and Reading) RG26 5LU <<https://www.heathendvillagehall.co.uk/>> Heath End Village Hall, Baughurst Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available. Bring your own lunch, or buy something at Tesco just down the road.
- [Autumn 2026 meeting](#) (19:49 14/05/2026)
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- [SABG home page](#) (19:47 14/05/2026)
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- [Books - \[Books grouped according to a number of tags \(key words\)\]](#) (21:49 06/03/2026)
See also: Digital library Books In addition to our Digital library, occasionally we have books for sale to members, usually by means of an auction by email. At present we have books from the estate of Audrey Cain, as follows: The whole list of 160 books Click on a heading to sort according to that column (e.g. Title, etc.) To sort by Date, first click on Style D.
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Bulb and Seed Exchanges

- The **2022 autumn ephemeral seed exchange** list is available, thanks to its coordinator, Jon Evans. Details have been emailed to members, and can also be read on our [2022 Bulb & Seed Exchange](#) page. The deadline for requests from members for seeds and bulbs from the Exchange is 18th November 2022.
- The main seed and bulb exchange for 2022 has now finished.

News from other sources



Pacific Bulb Society RSS news feed

The PBS List is an email discussion of bulbs, sponsored by the Pacific Bulb Society, for people around the world. Although bulbs (defined more broadly to include all geophytes) are the focus, we recognize that people who grow them probably grow other things too and will be talking about them from time to time. Everyone is welcome to take part, simply click on Subscribe [in the link on the right just below]. *PBS List* <https://www.pacificbulbsociety.org/list.php>



These are the most recent posts in the PBS List. If you click on one, you will be able to see all the others.

- [US BX 511 Open For Requests](#) by fritchick via pbs (03:03 12/05/2026)
- [US BX 511 Open For Requests](#) by Arvel Hernandez via pbs (02:37 12/05/2026)
- [Corrections to BX 511](#) by Bridget Wosczyzna via pbs (01:07 12/05/2026)
- [Misfire](#) by Shoal Creek Succulents via pbs (14:31 11/05/2026)
- [US BX 511 Open For Requests](#) by Shoal Creek Succulents via pbs (14:13 11/05/2026)

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