

CROCUS GROUP BULLETIN NO. 4

Hon. Sec's Notes

I would like to thank the owners of the gardens in this programme who have kindly invited the Group to visit them. I am sure all Crocus growers realise that any rare crocus is certain to be either over or eaten by a slug the day before any interested visitors arrive, and will enjoy their visit even if there are not many crocuses to be seen. Any offers of gardens we can visit in the autumn gratefully received.

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Sunday 12th February

If the weather is possible, anyone is welcome to come and see your Hon. Sec.'s crocuses at the above address. You are warned that they are all grown outside so there is no hope of refuge in a nice dry greenhouse. Come between 11.00 and 11.30am when coffee will be provided, and bring your own sandwiches for lunch.

Sunday 26th February

We are invited to visit the garden of Sir David and Lady Scott (Valerie Finnis) at:-

The Dower House,
Boughton House,
Kettering,
Northants.

This is a large and most interesting garden with wonderful shrubs and many rare plants, and some crocuses. Arrive between 11.00 and 11.30 am and bring your own lunch.

Turn right at a stone-built lodge on the A43 going north between Weekley and Geddington, about 3 miles north of Kettering. Follow drive across park, round east side of main house, and to the right over a cattle grid to the south side of the house.

Sunday 26th February contd.

In the afternoon we are invited to 'take pot luck' and visit Mr. Alan King's garden at:-

35 Laud's Road,
Crick,
Northampton

The route from Boughton House is extremely complicated but Mr. King has a very large collection of crocuses in frames and an alpine house and it should be well worth a bit of map-reading. Mr. King has suggested a route which I will bring with me to Boughton in case he is not there to act as a guide.