

# Hill Close Gardens Events Calendar 2017

**Opening times:** Apr-Oct Gardens open daily 11am-5pm. Cafe open Sat, Sun & Bank Holiday Mon, Nov-Mar Gardens only open Mon-Fri 11am-4pm. Closed to public Dec 18<sup>th</sup>-Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

**Normal opening hours and charges apply to events unless otherwise stated.**

**Entry:** Adults £4.00 Children £1 (Under 5s, HCGT & RHS members free). Event concession prices for under 16s and over 65s.

Children must always be accompanied by an adult. Free admittance for accompanying adults to children's events marked **C**.

Please tel. 01926 493339 or email [centremanager@hcg.org.uk](mailto:centremanager@hcg.org.uk) to book a place for events marked\*.

Further event information on [www.hillclosegardens.com](http://www.hillclosegardens.com)

February		
4 Sat & 5 Sun	<b>Snowdrop Weekend:</b> indoor display and open gardens.	11.00am – 4.00pm
19 Sunday	<b>Snowdrop Open Day:</b> opening in aid of National Gardens Scheme.	11.00am – 4.00pm
March		
19 Sunday	<b>Spring Event for members and volunteers:</b> talk and tour.	2.00 – 4.00pm
April		
2 Sunday	<b>Volunteering Day:</b> a chance to find out about the exciting range of volunteering opportunities at Hill Close Gardens.	11.00am – 2.00pm
6 Thursday	<b>Volunteering Afternoon:</b> a chance to find out about the exciting range of volunteering opportunities at Hill Close Gardens.	1.00 – 3.00pm
7 Friday	<b>Head Gardener's Walk.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
13 Thursday <b>C</b>	<b>Easter Family Workshop:</b> come along and enjoy an 'eggstravaganza' of 'eggciting' Easter arts and crafts, including an Easter Trail and Easter bonnets. £4 per child.	2.00 – 4.00pm
15 Sat – 17 Mon	<b>A Very Victorian Easter:</b> displays of Victorian costume and Victorian Easter traditions around the gardens. Victorian styled tea room.	Normal opening hours
May		
6 Saturday	<b>A Celebration of May Day and Springtime:</b> traditional Maypole Dancing set amongst spring flowers and displays.	Normal opening hours
9 Tuesday *	<b>Propagation Workshop.</b> Tickets: £15 HCGT and RHS Members £12 (pre-booking essential)	10.00am – 2.00pm
12 Friday	<b>Head Gardener's Walk.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
June		
1 Thursday <b>C</b>	<b>Half-Term Family Workshop: 'Boggling Bugs and Curious Critters'.</b> Explore the gardens, become an Insect Inspector and create your own colourful creatures. £4 per child.	10.30am – 12 noon
9 Friday	<b>Head Gardener's Walk.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
24 Saturday *	<b>Midsummer Music:</b> picnic in the gardens from 6pm, concert by singer Katie Leaver from 7.00 pm. Cake and drinks on sale. Tickets: Adults £11 Children £6.	6.00 – 9.00pm
July		
2 Sunday	<b>Warwick Open Gardens:</b> in aid of Air Ambulance and gardening charities. Tickets: Adults £5 Children free.	Normal opening hours
14 Friday	<b>Head Gardener's Walk.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
25 Tuesday *	<b>Heartbreak Productions Drama: Murder on the Terrace.</b> Picnic in the gardens from 5.30pm. Drama starts at 7pm. Cake and drinks on sale. Tickets: £13.50 Concessions £11	5.30pm – late
27 Thursday <b>C</b>	If you come down to the gardens today, you'll be sure of a big surprise! Bring your teddy and a basket of treats and join in our <b>Teddy Bears Picnic.</b> You can explore the Teddy Trail and get involved in some 'beary' exciting crafts. £4 per child.	2.00 – 4.00pm
August		
11 Friday	<b>Head Gardener's Walk.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
19 Sat & 20 Sun	<b>Art in the Gardens:</b> summer exhibition of art and craft around the gardens. Artist workshops. Family Arts and Crafts workshops.	Normal opening hours
22 Tuesday *	<b>Pruning Workshop.</b> Tickets: £15 HCGT and RHS Members £12 (pre-booking essential)	10.00am – 2.00pm
September		
2 Saturday	Opening in aid of the <b>National Gardens Scheme.</b>	Normal opening hours
8 Friday	<b>Apple Walk: Head Gardener's Guided Tour.</b> No extra charge.	2.00pm start
9 Sat & 10 Sun	<b>Heritage Weekend.</b> Free entry for all.	Normal opening hours
October		
15 Sunday	<b>Apple Day &amp; Country Fair:</b> harvest displays, stalls, children's workshops	Normal opening hours
26 Thursday <b>C</b>	<b>Half Term Family Workshop: 'All about Autumn'.</b> Out and about in the gardens, capturing the kaleidoscope of colours in a collection of craft activities. £4 per child	10.30am – 12noon
28 Saturday	<b>Chrysanthemum Open Day.</b> Free to Plant Heritage, RHS and HCGT members	Normal opening hours
December		
10 Sunday	<b>Illuminated Gardens at Christmas:</b> details to be confirmed	Details to be confirmed
12 Tuesday <b>C</b>	Get festive at our <b>Christmas Craft Family Workshop.</b> 'Yule' be able to make and take home glittering Christmas crafts. Ho! Ho! Ho! Hope to see you there. £4 per child	3.30 – 5.00pm

**Thursday Drop Ins: 2nd Thursday of the month 9.30 – 11.00am**

Playing and Learning in the outdoors for families with pre-school children. All welcome. See website for further details.