



SPEAKER INFORMATION

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| <i>Lecture Titles</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gardening Then and Now• My Gardening Year• Restoring a Cottage Garden• Patio gardening and gardening in small spaces• Cambridge Colleges and their Gardens• Someone has to do it (My life as a motoring correspondent)• A Fresh look at the Fens• The Nile in Style• The Romance of the French Alps• My Visit to the Antarctic• The Lost City of Petra• Heidelberg and the Black Forest• Morocco Bound (Talk based on several visits to Morocco and Moroccan cities) | | |
| <i>Lecture Cost</i> | £50.00 | | |
| <i>Travelling Distance</i> | Anywhere in East Anglia | <i>Travel Expenses</i> | 20p/mile |
| <i>Availability</i> | Booking well in advance is recommended | | |
| <i>Equipment Needed</i> | None. All supplied. | | |



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TRAVEL

THE LOST CITY OF PETRA

Petra, the “Rose Red City” lies in the south of the Kingdom of Jordan. Built 2000 years ago, it was lost to Europeans until it was rediscovered in 1812 by a Swiss Explorer. It is now becoming a spectacular magnet for visitors. The talk covers Petra, Aqaba (captured by Lawrence) and the Ras Mohammed National Park. Very sunny!

THE NILE IN STYLE

A flying visit to lower Egypt in which a floating luxury hotel on the Nile forms our base. Highlights are a trip to temples of Luxor and the famous tombs and giant figures of Abu Simbel.

THE ROMANCE OF THE FRENCH ALPS

It was the English who did the most to pioneer climbing and skiing in the French Alps. This talk looks at the history, people, plants and of course the superb scenery of the region.



MY VISIT TO THE ANTARCTIC

Shortly before the Falklands war, I went to the Antarctic with the British Antarctic Survey now based in Cambridge. These spectacular pictures of the area, its creatures and the business of exploration take us to within 500 miles of the South Pole.

A FRESH LOOK AT THE FENS (New version fully updated)

“Dull flat and boring” is the usual reaction to the Fenland region, but as this talk and its slides hope to show, the truth is far from that. The aim of the talk is to persuade listeners the Fenland region is worth a visit. Why not judge for yourself?

HEIDELBERG AND THE BLACK FOREST

Heidelberg is twinned with Cambridge. It is a fine old University city surrounded by the Black Forest - but it is not all that well known over here. We visit Heidelberg, the surrounding villages of the forest and just dip into that part of Switzerland which is geographically the same.

MOROCCO BOUND (New version)

I have now made a number of visits to Morocco and as a result collected a large number of pictures of the countryside, cities and life in general. In my role of motoring writer I have also had the advantage of driving in both deserts and mountain regions. In this colourful and unusual talk I take a look at areas not normally seen by visitors as well as ways of life which have not changed at all over the centuries. I have tried to cover everything from very basic living to life at five star and beyond luxury level.

Caring for the Future of Cambridgeshire's Past



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GARDENING

GARDENING THEN AND NOW (New!)

An unusual look at the way gardeners did things in the past and comparing them to the very latest methods and available equipment. Contains many fascinating early prints and photographs plus information on the latest gardening aids now available.

MY GARDENING YEAR

This is a personal account of the year in my garden - or rather the year with me working in the garden! It starts, as we all do, with a close study of the catalogues in front of a blazing log fire and continues with the choice of things to grow, the techniques for producing them, and a report on the successes - and failures!



RESTORING A COTTAGE GARDEN

This has to be one of the most popular talks I have ever given. It looks at the massive task of restoring a cottage garden with the object of matching it to the cottage itself.

It all looked straightforward when the scheme started but it actually took six years to complete. But gardens do not stand still and this particular garden - my own - continues to change. The pictures reflect its development up to the present day.

PATIO GARDENING

As modern gardens get smaller and smaller, the lot of the gardener can be a frustrating one. This talk is split roughly into three

parts, some plans, drawings and ideas for a small area; methods of growing plants suitable for pots and patios; and finally some pictures of finished schemes

GENERAL INTEREST

SOMEONE HAS TO DO IT! (New!)

My life as a motoring correspondent. Rushing around the globe staying at top hotels and driving the latest cars sounds like the ultimate job, but is it? Here is a glimpse of a Cinderella-like existence in which at midnight you are likely to return to reality!

- ☛ These talks are designed to last about 45/55 minutes each but can be lengthened or reduced to meet particular requirements.
- ☛ Each subject uses around 100 slides to ensure continued interest and avoid long periods of inactivity with only one picture on the screen!
- ☛ You do not have to provide any equipment. I use my own projector, screen, projector stand, extension cables and so on.

SAFETY REGULATIONS

To meet the increasing public safety requirements all my equipment, including cables, has been fully PAT tested (Portable Appliance Test) to comply with insurance requirements at some halls. Certificates can be produced on request.



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