

The David Colegrave Foundation

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BALL COLEGRAVE OPEN DAYS SUPPORT THE DAVID COLEGRAVE FOUNDATION

This year's Ball Colegrave open weekend will once again raise funds to support the work of the David Colegrave Foundation. The company is opening their trial grounds on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th August from 10 am to 4 pm.

Visitors can view the spectacular trials grounds, colourful gardens, patio and hanging basket displays or explore the trial grounds at their leisure. The days also include a question and answer session and planting presentations from gardening experts. Refreshments will be available on the day and a Jazz Band will provide further entertainment.

The open weekend is the Foundation's main fundraising event and entrance is £5.

The David Colegrave Foundation was created in 1993 to honour a man of great stature in the horticulture industry and to further his ambitions for the development of ornamental horticulture through the training of young people. The Trustees are:

- Nancy Colegrave former Chairman of DR Colegrave Seeds
- Brian Cosby, former Chairman of the BBPA
- John Gibson, former Seeds Director at Colegrave Seeds Ltd
- Peter Seabrook MBE, writer and broadcaster
- Anna Ball CEO of Ball Horticultural Company
- Jeff Colegrave former CEO of the Colegrave Group of Companies
- Stuart Lowen, marketing manager at Ball Colegrave.

The Foundation currently funds bursaries at five horticultural colleges: Capel Manor, Hadlow, Pershore, Welsh and Greenmount colleges. Each receives £1,500 a year to award bursaries to students selected by the colleges on the grounds of merit and need. The Foundation has supported over 40 students over the last thirteen years at a cost of over £50,000.

As always, the Foundation needs to attract further donations to ensure the long term stability of the Foundation. If you would like to make a donation to the fund, contact Mr. Chris Stevens c/o The HTA, Horticulture House, 19 High Street, Theale, Berks. RG7 5AH or call 0118 930 3132

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