

SIXTH ANNUAL NIGHTINGALE LECTURE

Agricultural Museum Brook : Centre for Kent History & Heritage

HOP GROWING IN BRITAIN: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Tony Redsell OBE

(retired Chairman of the British Hop Association)

Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 7.00pm

Drinks reception from 6.30pm

Old Sessions House, Canterbury Christ Church University

All welcome & entry is free (voluntary retiring collection)



Tradition has it that the first English hop garden was created near Canterbury in 1520. Kent became the earliest centre for hop culture and today retains this pre-eminence. Farming techniques and technical innovations developed particularly in the 19th century, and oast houses were a familiar sight until relatively recently. The industry has faced considerable challenges in recent decades but today there are now twenty-seven commercially-grown British hop varieties whereas in 1998 there were only thirteen. The British Hop Association, led by Tony Redsell, has been pivotal in this renaissance in terms of scientific hop development and research.

Tony Redsell is one of Britain's leading hop growers and farms extensively in Faversham, Canterbury, and Thanet. Tony's contribution to hop growing and to the industry is legendary. When he stepped down in 2012 as the Chairman of the British Hop Association his leadership of the Association had spanned an incredible four decades.





Agricultural Museum Brook :
Centre for Kent History & Heritage

HOP GROWING IN BRITAIN: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Tony Redsell OBE

Wednesday 27 September

2017 at 7.00pm

**Drinks reception from
6.30pm**

Old Sessions House, Canterbury
Christ Church University

All welcome & entry is free
(voluntary retiring collection)

