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“An Illustrated Introduction to Sacred Geometry and an Investigation of the Beauty and Simplicity of Form” – speaker: Nick Marchmont

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Chairman Bob Atkins welcomed everyone, especially new members. He introduced Geoff Wilks, Road Safety Officer for Powys, who spoke about the yellow triangle scheme, which means medical facts concerning drivers can be stored in glove compartments. He also mentioned driving schemes available for mature drivers.

The Chairman mentioned that places were available on a Garden group visiting trip to David Austin Roses, near Wolverhampton, on Thursday 11th June.

He then introduced Nick Marchmont, who is an independent researcher with a lifelong interest in ancient cultures, vanished civilisations and old knowledge.

Nick's lecture was intriguingly entitled “An Illustrated Introduction to Sacred Geometry and an Investigation of the Beauty and Simplicity of Form”. He showed models and explained about the 13 different shapes, including a 10 sided decagon, forms, spheres and explained how they grow. The speaker mentioned the plain geometry we all did at school, identifying different shapes including triangles, squares, pentagons and cubes.

Nick stated that the ancients did know a lot and mentioned the basic elements of earth, fire, water and ether, the combinations two of the different elements could form, and how spheres can be divided into different parts.

Amid some amusement he went on to describe some objects as female e.g. a football (which is kicked about mainly by males!!!!). Earth and air are perfected from nature's first ever pattern named “The Flower of Life”.

Finally, to sum up, he spoke about the manifestations of shapes and the basics of geometry especially squares, cubes and triangles. The talk had started with the speaker showing models and explaining about the basic forms and shapes, which he developed and explained well and the attentive members got more into the topic as it went along.

The Chairman thanked Nick for such a fascinating lecture, which had progressed from basic items to complicated shapes. He joked that it was the first time that he had enjoyed a lesson in mathematics!!!

The speaker then answered a number of questions including about ancient civilisations such as the Incas, and whether intelligence and ideas are inherent in individuals of such peoples, or just learnt.

Nick Marchmont was thanked by Michelle Damsell for “such a mind boggling talk”

