Poverest Allotments



October's Newsletter

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We hope this newsletter finds you well and a warm welcome to our new plot holders.



Perimeter Fence Work Party success

The weather was kind to us Saturday and Sunday 28-29th September and you all came together in the biggest turn out to date for a work party!

We can't thank you enough for the amazing amount of work done on both days. All the pruning and clearing up was completed and not only that we all enjoyed some superb home made cakes and treats ...

Over the next coming weeks we will be wood chipping most of the large tree cuttings that are currently behind the wood chip and manure bays which we can all then use on our plots or compost heaps. Win Win!

We have one last Work Party this year which is our regular clean of the drain and gulley at the side of our site on Saturday 2 November 10am to 12noon. Mark your diaries! An easy one to finish the year off to.



Flavours of the World (and allotment tales) at Our End-of-Season natter!

It's time for our annual International Food and End of Season Natter event, happening on **Saturday, 26th October** from **12noon to 3pm** in our beloved (but soon-to-be-refurbished!) Community Shed.

We're inviting everyone to bring just one dish that represents their heritage. Whether it's a family recipe passed down through generations or a modern twist on a classic, we'd love to taste it all!

Come share your culinary creations, swap stories of triumphant tomatoes and mischievous marrows, and revel in the camaraderie that makes our allotment community so special.

Last year's feast was a resounding success, and we're confident this year will be even better. So, dust off those recipe books, fire up your ovens, and get ready for an afternoon of food, fun, and friendship!

See you there!



Tuesday, 15th October 7.30pm

We are having a Committee Meeting to discuss all the recent approved proposals from the AGM, items for next years Work Party schedule along with other general maintenance projects.

If you would like to add something to the agenda for discussion, please email us at the usual address poverestallotments@gmail.com before Monday 14th October.



End of season closures

From the 28th October our water supply will be turned off for this year which also means our toilets will be closed (we are hoping to changed this for 2025).

Our machine shed will also be closed, so no machines will be available to borrow. This is to allow us to clean and maintain our strimmers, mowers and rotovators ready for your use next year.

Everything will reopen in April 2025.



Monthly jobs on your allotment - October

Veggies:

- Harvest: Tomatoes (check your stored ones!), leeks, maincrop potatoes (by month's end!), peas, runner beans, chard, spinach, carrots, celeriac, lettuce, and Oriental veggies.
- **Lift & Store:** Florence fennel bulbs, rhubarb (for forcing).
- **Sow:** Winter lettuce, a small row each of winter-hardy peas and broad beans.
- **Plant:** Spring cabbage, overwintering onions & garlic, rhubarb crowns.

Fruit Last Call for Strawberries!

• **Harvest:** Apples and pears as they ripen (store the best!). Remove leaves covering late grapes.

• Plant: New strawberry beds (plants or rooted runners).

Greenhouse Prep:

• **Insulate!** Use fleece, bubble wrap, or even newspaper to protect tender plants and their pots from frost.

Taken from The National Allotment Society website

As always, please keep your speed down when driving on our site to protect the roads; please don't park blocking a road or in front of the wood chip and manure bays; make sure you proudly display your plot number on your plot and the padlock numbers are facing up when you leave.

Thank you for you continued support Bill, John, Lesley, Rob, Graham, Denis and Bob

Work Party Diary 2024

November 2nd

Saturday, 10am to 12noon Water drain clearance

Event Diary 2024 October 26th

Saturday, 12noon to 3pm
International Food and end of Season Natter

December 14th - Pending Roof completion!

Saturday, 3pm-5pm Christmas drinks, mince pies and cake

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