

November's Newsletter

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Інформаційний бюлетень за листопад - 11 月通訊 - Listopadowy biuletyn
informacyjny - Kasım Ayı Bülteni

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



Roof work begins Monday 11th November

Work on replacing our beloved community shed roof is finally starting Monday, November 11th at 8am! We're all very excited to see this project get underway.

Important Safety Information Regarding Asbestos Removal:

The first stage of the project involves removing the old asbestos roof. For everyone's safety, we recommend you don't access the front gates of the allotment from Monday, for at least three days. Please avoid this area entirely during this time if you can. The contractors need clear access, and your safety is our top priority.

Don't worry, you can still access your plots as usual via the back gate which can be reached via the park behind. Everything should be back to normal by Thursday, November 14th, but we'll keep you updated if there are any changes.

Thanks for your cooperation, and we appreciate your patience while this work is done.



International Food Day natter!

A huge thank you to all those that joined us for our international food end of season natter and especially those that brought such amazing tasty dishes from around the world for us all to share.

Such a lovely way to spend the afternoon and to finish off what could be described as an interesting growing season thanks to the weather this year!



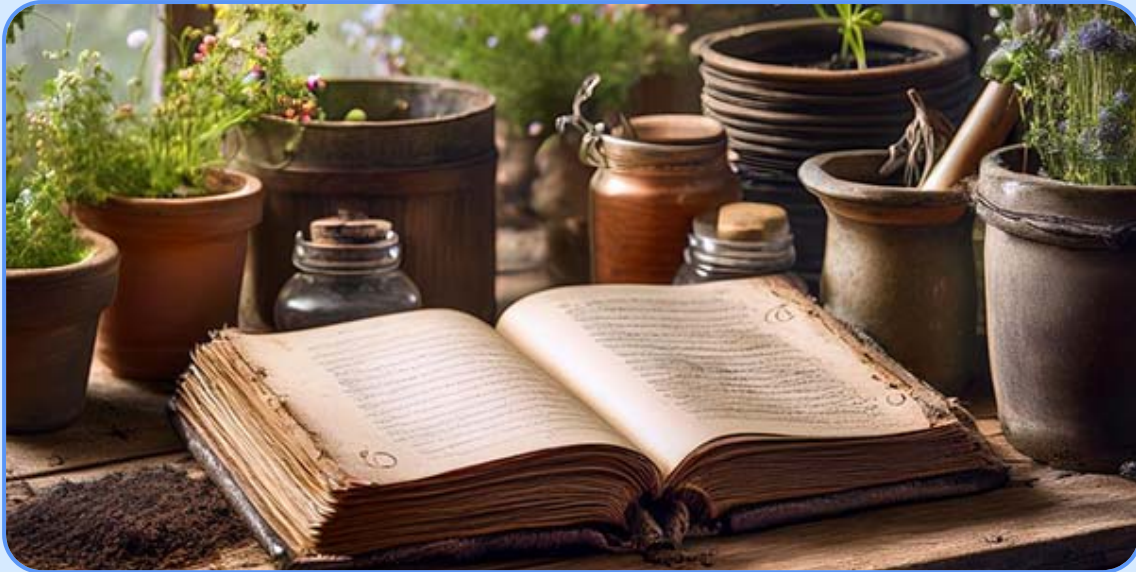
Last work party of the year completed!

What a fantastic last work party of the year! We can't thank those who turned out in the less than perfect weather enough.

Not only did our drain get cleared (big thanks to Brian Black and Derek Fry) but we all cleared the area around and inside the shed ready for work to commence on the roof; moved metal to the middle road for collection and removed all the dumped wooden rubbish from the back of our site to the front so we can arrange clearance. (Many thanks John Townsend for use of his lorry).

It certainly proved the age old proverb 'many hands make light work' which allowed us all to enjoy some lovely cakes, teas and coffee.

Thank you so much for everyone's support this year - we are all in this together and together we make this allotment an absolute joy to be part of.



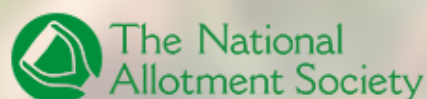
'Poverest Allotments Kitchen'

It's clear from talking to fellow plot holders, and tasting the delicious dishes brought along to our get togethers there is a wide knowledge of how to store and cook home grown produce which would be wonderful to share.

I'd like to suggest a separate space either on Facebook or our website or a good old fashioned book in our Community Shed for plot holders to pop favourite recipes or 'how to' information in. We could call it 'Poverest Allotments Kitchen'. This can be used as a resource for all to access.

If someone could let us know the easiest way to set this up I'd be grateful. Email us at the usual address poverestallotments@gmail.com

Many thanks Joan Vine



Alloment jobs for November

General Tips:

- Clear and tidy up old crops to prevent overwintering pests and diseases.

- Choose a clear, crisp day for the task. It might be tiring, but it's worth it!

Vegetables:

- Harvest winter cabbage, Brussels sprouts, leeks, and parsnips (wait for frost for sweeter parsnips).
- Pick Brussels sprouts from the bottom up and remove yellowing leaves for better air circulation.
- Store remaining vulnerable crops like celeriac, carrots, and Florence fennel before hard frosts.

Fruit:

- Plant new fruit trees and bushes.
- Move soft fruit bushes if needed.
- Cut down old canes of autumn-fruiting raspberries after they finish fruiting.
- Take hardwood cuttings from fruit bushes for future plants.

Greenhouse:

- Sow hardy peas in pots and transplant later.
- Transplant pot-raised broad beans to sheltered spots.
- Transplant October-sown lettuces under cloches or frames, spacing them 6 inches apart.

Flowers:

- Plant tulips and hyacinths in pots or the ground.
- Sow sweet peas and harden off those sown last month. Keep them protected from heavy snow and winds.

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 your continued support

Bill, John, Lesley, Rob, Graham, Denis and Bob

Event Diary 2024

December 14th - Pending Roof completion!

Saturday, 3pm-5pm

Christmas drinks, mince pies and cake

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