

Information for All Plot Holders at Alwins Field & Weston Avenue Allotments (Issue 6 - April 2022)



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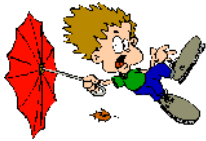
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...The Chair's Scribble...

Well, very few words from me personally in this issue as everything is covered below. All I'd like to say is happy digging, planting and sewing during this busy time of year. Good luck plot holders!



Good Riddance Eunice & Franklin



No we are not talking about former plot holders but the two February storms that wrecked havoc across the country and unfortunately the allotment sites.

As expected, some compost bins, water butts, lids, ground coverings etc. went walkabouts across the sites. However, regrettably, there were more serious issues with a number of sheds being blown over or damaged and in a few instances being completely destroyed.

At WA the boundary fence with The Vynes collapsed in a number of places and more worrying were the breaches in the fence along the boundary with Warneford Way. These have both been reported to Leighton Linlade Town Council.

Louis' Place did not go unscathed either as the entrance trellis arch was blown to the ground.

No doubt a colleague of Eunice and Franklin will return at a later date so it may be worth checking how securely your shed is fixed and consider marking up bins, lids, ground sheets etc. so they can be returned to rightful owners if the items take flight during any storms.



2021 Seed Orders



Hopefully those of you that ordered seeds etc. from the Kings Seeds Discount Scheme got everything that you wanted.

I know there were some potato varieties that were unavailable so substitutions were provided after consulting those that had ordered them.

Once again, a huge thank you to Avril Marshall for organising this mammoth task and for putting up with a hallway and conservatory clogged with orders for collection.

Thanks also to Rosie Palmer for delivering potato orders at Alwins Field.

WA Projects



We have a few projects that are still ongoing so we are not looking to add to the list this year as we have enough on our plate to complete the current ones. Although the storms have necessitated some repairs. The outstanding projects are:-

- Complete the raised bed by the toilet
- Orchard - clear boundary, lay weed suppressant and cover with bark.
- Install water butts around toilet and Louis' Place.
- Repair storm damage to communal areas and facilities.

Skips (Weekend of 23 April)

Amnesty skips will be delivered to both AF and WA sites for use over the weekend of 23rd April. So, get clearing but please no green waste. All items must be made as small as possible i.e. no large plastic items such as drums and water butts unless they have been chopped/cut up.

Liability Insurance

Part of your LLAA membership fee is used to provide members with public liability insurance, but have you and your family/friends got the cover you need?

Please refer to the [insurance documents on our website](#). In summary: -

- Each LLAA member is covered by the policy arranged, this applies to both Full and Associate Members.
- Family and friends who are not LLAA members are also covered while working on the member's plot **BUT ONLY** if the LLAA member is present at the time of incident.
- If family or friends are working on a member's plot without the member present then family and friends are **NOT** covered.



Therefore if, as a LLAA member, you have family or friends who are not LLAA members that attend your plot without you being present you may wish to consider them joining the LLAA as an Associate Member. The current Associate member annual fee is £3.00.

Joining instructions can be found on our [website](#).

Vehicular Access To Weston Avenue Site



If you need to bring a vehicle on site and therefore need the left hand gate opened you can arrange this by contacting the following committee members:-

Paul Frost	07435 662795
Phil Jones	07540 464755
Simon Marshall	07867 492300
Steve Bennett	07518 385270

However, **please** adhere to the following:-

- Please pre arrange access with key holders. They are rarely available to come over with a key at a moment's notice so arranging a few days beforehand is much more likely to avoid disappointment.
- Do not leave your vehicle on site. Drive on, load/unload and then please drive off immediately.
- Please don't ask for access immediately after rainfall, snow, frost etc. We don't want the pathways getting churned up or you getting stuck. It has happened!

Summer BBQ

Weather permitting we are planning on holding a BBQ at Louis' Place over the long bank holiday weekend on Saturday 4th June 2022.

Further details will be communicated nearer the date.



Your LLAA Committee Members Are:-

If you want to speak to a committee member on site then this is where to find us: -

Barnaby Adams	WA 48A
Peter Bate	WA 77A
Matt Bateman	AF 23B
Janice & Stephen Bennett	WA 92B
Paul Frost	WA 88A
Michael Hildreth-Bell	WA 2A
Phil Jones	WA 27B
Avril & Simon Marshall	WA 90A
Mark McGarvie	WA 27A
Rosie Palmer	AF 24A
Rob Salisbury	WA 50A

Or email: - membership@llaa.org.uk