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## **Thank You**

There was a great response to the request for help on the tidy up day on 17<sup>th</sup> March. Thanks to all who participated.

Also to Mark Fuller who has stepped down from the committee after 14 much appreciated years, a big thank you for all his hard work.

# **Site Security**

There have been a number of incidents of rough sleepers being found in sheds recently. As in previous email, we ask plotholders to inform the police if they find someone sleeping in their shed or greenhouse. Also Ben from Changing Lives is available on 07874 865757. He is working with rough sleepers in the area.

As part of general site security, please can all plotholders make sure that the gates are properly closed when they leave the site.



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# **Planting Demonstrations**

Our resident gardening expert and long standing allotmenteer Frank Snowden, has very kindly offered to host a demonstration on Sunday 14th April for anyone interested in learning how to plant potatoes and tomatoes efficiently and effectively. This will take place on his own plot (number 7 on the North side) from 10 until 12.

For those of you who don't know, Frank grows all of the seedlings we sell at the shop on his own in the polytunnel, as well as donating lots of produce from his own allotment to sell at the Trading Hut

Frank is a strong advocate of No-dig gardening and will be talking about this as he demonstrates how to plant potatoes by this method. He will also be showing you how to plant and look after tomatoes to ensure you get a good crop and hopefully avoid the blight we saw on the allotments last year

We are very grateful to Frank for volunteering his time on a Sunday morning to demo good gardening techniques.

### **AGM**

There was a very good turn out for the AGM in February.

Amongst the business of the meeting was the presentation of prizes.

Below left is Helen Giblin-Jowett, Plot number E, winner of LMAA Challenge Cup for Best Allotment. Below right is Philip Kyle, Plot number 74L, winner of the LMAA Trophy for Most improved Allotment.

Congratulations to them both.





### Water tanks

The Water tanks and baths on the site need to be to be cleaned out ahead of the new season, and the water being turned back on in April.

# **Trading Hut**

The trading hut is back to summer opening hours, 10-12 a.m. every Sunday.

There is a good selection of second hand tools for sale at the moment and also compost bins.

### **Produce Rota**

The trading hut sales, sale of donated produce, and the huge contribution grown by Frank in the polytunnel and on his own plot, form very valuable sources of income for the whole site

Jen has very kindly agreed to manage the produce selling rota, so if you could spare a couple of hours on a Sunday morning to help out, please email Jen at jen.28@btinternet.com

### **Condolences**

Mary Firmin, longstanding allotmenteer of plot 138A, has sadly passed away.

Our sympathies go to her family, she will be missed.

If you have any news items you would like to see covered in the newsletter please email them to littlemoornewsletter@gmail.com