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New season

Welcome to the first newsletter of the 2024 growing season.

Hopefully now the site is no longer under water we can all get growing!

The photograph on the right shows a small helper already hard at work on a plot.

Trading Hut

Don't forget the Trading Hut are selling seedlings ready to plant .

There's a wide variety of flower and vegetable seedlings available to get the season off to a good start.

Open every Sunday 10-12



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New Committee Member

Peter Calver has kindly offered to take on the Buildings and Structures role on the committee.

Coffee Grounds

The Cafe on Newlands road have been in touch to offer used coffee grounds as fertiliser for any plotholder who would like to collect them.

Coffee grounds are rich in nutrients, especially nitrogen. They also have other nutrients such as potassium and phosphorous. Overall, this means that adding coffee grounds to your garden can work well as a fertiliser. Coffee should be spread in a thin layer, rather than being clumped in one place.

The Cafe is open 9-4 Monday to Saturday, 9-3 on Sunday

Planting Demonstration

Frank's planting demonstration on 20th April was well attended, and everyone there found it to be helpful and informative.

Photographs were taken on the day- so if you weren't able to get there, keep an eye out on the website as these along with some of Frank's advice should be posted in the near future

Tidy Up Day

The next tidy up day on the site is Sunday 2nd June. The last day was really well attended and it made the jobs very much easier having so many people. If you could spare a couple of hours, we will be meeting at the Trading Hut at 10 a.m.

There will be refreshments provided afterwards

Pollinator Support

There are over 270 species of bee native to the UK, including solitary, honey and bumblebees

An estimated 10-25% of these species are now considered to be endangered.

As allotment holders we can provide habitat and plant varieties suited to bees and other pollinators.

Most bees are not too fussy about where they get their nectar and pollen, so gardeners have a wide range of plants from which to choose. Flowers like lavender, hollyhock, cosmos, foxglove and hellebore are all listed as RHS Plants for Pollinators and will help to feed a range of different bee species.

If you would rather have edibles that attract bees, then broad beans and runner beans are winners, along with sunflowers. Apple trees can provide year on year supplies of pollen, along with earlier flowering small fruit such as blueberries, currants and gooseberries.

And with plenty of pollinators about, here's hoping for plenty of crop!



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