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LOOKING FORWARD TO SPRING

We have admired the snowdrops, seen the daffodils and are now ready for the weather to improve. Roll on the spring! The Gardening Club and Grantham Green Growers are getting ready and looking forward to a great season. Will you be joining them this year? You would be very welcome!

Gardening Club –Allotment News

It's not long to go now before we get together for the first of our allotment sessions of the season. (Mon, March 12th, 1.00-4.00pm & Sat, March 17th 10.00am - 1.00pm.)

Lots of exciting work about to begin. We will be working on a new project for our second allotment this year. The project is to enable wheelchair users access to the allotment. This will involve levelling the ground and making a new pathway and patio area. We are grateful to Community Payback volunteers for their offer to help us out. They have skilled workers coming in to do a lot of the heavy work for us soon.



Please watch this space for further updates on the progress of this new project.

Grantham Green Growers

We are looking forward to beginning the first of our fortnightly maintenance sessions on the crescent border at Grantham Green on March 2nd and 16th. These are Friday mornings from 10am -12noon. For the first of our sessions, we will be laying down some bark chippings around the shrubs to help keep the moisture in and hopefully keep the weeds down too. You are welcome to join us if you are interested in becoming part of our team!

Maria, Gardening Co-ordinator

Donation from Leckford

We were very grateful to receive a donation of £200 from the Leckford Farm Shop. Here is Committee member, Beverley (who does not feature in the newsletter often) receiving the cheque from manager Lizz Daghish.



David Scullard

It was with great regret that we learnt of the death of David Scullard. He was a long time member of the society and was one of the very first ACTIVE CITIZENS. We have reminisced about David's participation in our work, his sense of humour and his mischievous attitude. The visit we made to the House of Commons with David will not be forgotten!

Roy Stokes also passed away at the beginning of the year. Roy was one of our first and most enthusiastic Walking Group members. He was great company on a walk. Roy and his wife Jean were both active and ardent about providing the right services for people with learning disabilities. Roy's refusal to accept compromise in this area was admired.

ADVERTISING EVENTS

Connect to Support (part of Health & Social Care at Hampshire County Council) have now set up a page called LD Events at www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/LDevents

They want to make this page the main hub for event info. Flyers are fine as they can upload the pdf and link to it.

To advertise your event on Connect to Support, please email the team at connectsupport@hants.gov.uk

Obviously this will be a good place to start if you are looking for new activities or something to do one weekend.

SOCIETY DIARY DATES

February 21 – Wednesday, to see the new play, Shadow Factory – ETC Event 6 at NST City. The event includes a back stage and theatre tour, drama workshop, pub dinner and evening show.

March 12 – Monday - Gardening Club re-opens at West End Allotments

March 19 – Chill Out Club Skittles Party – COC members only.

April 24 – Tuesday evening -The Concorde Club Quiz Night & Curry. Tickets can be booked from The Concorde Club.

June 9 – Saturday, Summer BBQ at Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley

June 16 – Saturday – West End Carnival. The theme for this year's Carnival is "The Music of the 60s, 70s and 80s. Call if you want to join us.

Please call the office and leave your name and number if you have any questions about these events or anything else. We will always call you back.



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