

Flitwick Gardeners' Association Wish all its members A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Christmas 2021

Message from the Chair

It's that time of year again and we wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

I think many of us will be glad to see the back of 2021 and will be looking forward to a much better 2022. I feel as if very little has changed in the last 12 months and nearly repeated the message used last year, but eventually decided not to be lazy. May I start by thanking you for your fantastic support of the FGA in 2021 and a huge thankyou to all those who have helped with the running of the Seed Box and even one show. It is unfair to pick out certain people for praise and I guarantee that I would miss some, as I lost count at 30 people who have helped in different ways. It could have been expected that helpers would have been reluctant to risk exposure to the dreaded Covid and some people decided not to help, but it was surprisingly few. Thanks for past support and I hope things will soon allow you to re-join us on Saturday afternoons. Many old stagers have continued, so big thanks as usual to you. A surprisingly large number of new volunteers have joined us and we thank you and hope you are enjoying 'the club'.

The biggest change to horticulture that I have experienced is on the horizon, with the banning of peat based compost. For 2022 we have ordered a full range of our normal Clover compost and we will also be offering you the opportunity to try the Clover non-peat compost.

We will be staying at the Seed Box and expect to be in the middle of a building site for 2+ years. We do not yet have full details of access arrangements, but you will need to drive through the Leisure Centre car park and nearly up to the fir tree hedge, then turn right towards the gates into the allotments (on the left). If it's quiet, turn right and park in the Seed Box parking area, but if it's busy, enter the allotments and we should have a parking area there.

Finally, thank you for your continued wearing of face masks in the Seed Box. Your willing acceptance of that request and adherence to it have been fantastic!

Absolutely finally, please all have a very Happy Christmas and good gardening in 2022

Jim Godden FGA Chairman

Seed Box Opening Hours (first Saturday in February – last Saturday in November)

Friday	Closed until further notice
Saturday	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

General enquiries <u>enquiries@flitwickgardeners.co.uk</u>

Dates for 2022

Spring show - Saturday 2nd April 2022 Annual show - Saturday 20th August 2022 Autumn show - Saturday 8th October 2022 FGA Quiz - Thursday 24th November 2022 (starting at 8:00pm)

No date has been set for the AGM.

2022 Annual Show Photographic Classes:

103 Near 104 Far 105 Fast 106 Slow

The Children's class will be a photograph from one of the above

Committee Positions

If anyone is interested in taking on the role of FGA Magazine Editor, or Membership Secretary and would like to know more about what's involved, please contact us by email: -

enquiries@flitwickgardeners.co.uk

As Always.....

We are still in need of more volunteers to help at the Seedbox. If you feel able to assist, please contact us by email: - enquiries@flitwickgardeners.co.uk

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Telephone - 01525 - 717289 (24 hour answerphone)

Pre-Season Potato and Onion Sets Order Form - 2022

		Add				
Please	reserve the foll	owing packs of Se are y the end of Dec	F.G.A. Member eed Potatoes and Or delivered 21 will be telephor y for collection.	nion sets fo	r me whe	en the
Number 3kg	of Packs 10 seed	Variety	"First Earlies"	3 Kg (10)	Total C	ost
		Duke of Yor	k	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Duke of Yor	k (RED)	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Casablanca	,	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Foremost		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Maris Bard		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Pentland Jav	velin	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Rocket (EA	RLY)	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Swift (VERY	EARLY)	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		"Secon	nd Earlies" (3 Kg)			
		Acoustic		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Charlotte		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Estima		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Kestrel		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Marfona		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Wilja		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		"Ma	in Crop" (3 Kg)			
		Cara		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Desiree		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		King Edward	l	£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Maxine		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Maris Piper		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Picasso		£ 4.25	(£1.75)	
		Organic Set	anta		(£1.75)	

Vales Sovereign

£ 4.25

(£1.75)

Salad Variety

	Pink Fir Apple	£ 2.60					
	"Onion Sets and Shallots"						
	Golden Gourmet Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£ 2.15					
	Red Sun Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£ 2.15					
	Yellow Moon Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£ 2.15					
	Red Baron Onion Sets (0.25 Kg)	£ 1.80					
	Snowball Onion Sets (0.5 Kg)	£ 1.80					
	Sturon Onion Sets (0.5 Kg)	£ 1.80					
	Stuttgarter Onion Sets (0.5 Kg)	£ 1.80					
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For F.G.A. use Telephoned							