

Little Stoke Garden Society

Spring Newsletter 2013

Welcome to the Spring Newsletter

I would like to welcome all newcomers to the allotments and hope you all find it as addictive as the rest of us!

It has been a long winter and I am sure we are all pleased to see some sun at last.

I think many animals may have suffered due to the weather conditions especially the mice I have had in my greenhouse.

The weather started to take a turn for the better so I decided to plant a number of seeds, sun flower, sweet pea, cucumber, peppers and a variety of others. On visiting the greenhouse to water and see what growth had occurred I noticed the paper packets had several bites taken out of them and bits had been strewn around, and instead of lovely seedlings I had just the husks!

Up to now we have caught 10 mice vengeance is mine!



Any ideas for stopping their party next year please let me know.

The Bacon Butty morning was a great success, many thanks to Sue and Rose.



Open Morning 2 June 10.00-12.00 at the Little Stoke Allotments

This has now become a very popular event, with various stalls including:

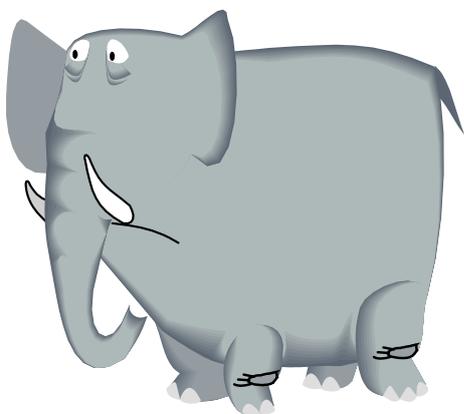
- Cakes
- Teas and coffees
- Plant swop
- Plant sale
- Jams and marmalades
- Cards
- Jewellery
- Gardening advice

We may have an Open Afternoon instead next year, please let us know which you prefer.

All are welcome bring your friends and family!

The shop has been opened now for a few weeks and is doing well, if you haven't been in please do, it's open on Sundays from 10.00-1200, if we haven't got what you need please ask. Or if we stock something that you are unsure how to use for instance blood and bone, lime, growmore, we can advise and guide you or know someone who can!

Don't forget!



**39th Annual Show
on
Saturday 31st August 2013
Little Stoke Community Hall**

**Entries in 8.30-10.00am,
entrance at 2.30pm with
awards at 3.45pm.**

Programmes will be available at the beginning of June, it would be great if we could have more children enter. So get growing, snapping, crafting, brewing your own or attend a quick course to up your skills and you may walk away with a prize winning cup or two.

**Competition is rife but
friendly!**

We are always looking for people to help out at our events or join the committee so if you are willing, please leave your details at the shop.

For information, the committee is made up of volunteers who work hard to ensure that the allotment site is looked after. We have met with the parish council to discuss rent costs for the plots, and they have during the last year, upgraded the taps. We are now in discussions concerning the roof on the communal shed - we hope that they will help with the cost.

We are thinking of having a noticeboard on our website selling items etc. Please email details to:
postmaster@littlestokegardensociety.co.uk

On a final note I am sorry to say we have lost several of the original plot holders from the 70's.

We wish them luck in their gardening (on a smaller scale) and for all the advice they have given us over the years.

Please come and visit us you are more than welcome!

