

# Wentworthville Community Garden

Newsletter

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## Membership

Annual membership and garden plot fees are now due and need to be paid by 30 April 2012.

**Membership is just \$10.00 and the plot fee is \$30.00 and provides water, fertilizer, pest control mulch and other consumables.**

**Don't forget that you can renew your membership online via our website.**

## Open Day 13 October 2012

Our major fund raiser, the Wentworthville Community Garden Open Day, is just six months away.

Planning will be co-ordinated by the Open Day Planning Committee. So far John B, Kevin and Robyn have volunteered and there is room for other members.

This Committee is also looking for team leaders for the each of the fund

raising activities – plant sale, cake and jam stall, barbeque, morning teas, pre-loved goods, craft stall, raffle, fresh produce, welcome and exit survey and plant giveaway.

Maybe you have a good idea for another fund raiser? Please talk to the Planning Committee.

Last year's Open Day earned us just over \$4 000.00 and we'd like to achieve a similar or better reward this year.

## Easter Show Update

Our Easter Show entry will be delivered to Homebush early in the morning of Sunday 15 April 2012. So Saturday 14 April 2012

will be a very busy day; finding and picking the best of our produce. We have a great range of produce, some planted especially for the show and others through the generosity of our fellow gardeners. **Wish us luck!**



## Good Gardening – Good Gardeners

The success of our Garden is no secret. It is the harmony, cooperation and a sense of belonging that we all feel and share at the Garden.

It is important that we garden, plant and pick with respect.

It is fantastic the way members co-operate – sharing knowledge, working together, improving the site and being friends.

We have a number of shared crops that anyone can pick from – just remember to leave some for who comes next.

Likewise, when you plant your plot, think of others. Please do not plant trees or shrubs in your plot. These types of plants can deplete your soil and impact on the neighbouring plots. Tall crops can shade others and rambling crops can be invasive.



### *s355 Committee Meeting*

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer John reported that we have \$6 732.00 in the bank and \$164.00 in petty cash. John reminds members to please sign in & out on visiting the Garden. Members are obliged to log their visit and documented activity at the Garden is helpful when responding to Council & making funding requests.

#### **Garden Development Plan**

Members should consider improvements and facilities that they would like to have available at the garden and where these facilities should be located. Helen, John B, and Brad are currently seeking thoughts and opinions from members for improvements to the Garden for the short and longer terms.



## Holroyd City Council's Sustainability Workshop Series 2012

Council is again running their Sustainability Workshop Series. Our Garden is hosting the following workshops:

- Composting & Worm Farming – 9:00am – 11:00am Saturday 12 May 2012
- Introduction to Permaculture - 9:00am – 11:00am Saturday 19 May 2012
- Composting & Worm Farming – 9:00am – 11:00am Saturday 26 May 2012

Book into these and other workshops by telephoning Council.

The full program may be found at

[http://www.holroyd.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0020/45308/workshop\\_flyer\\_indd\\_2.pdf](http://www.holroyd.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0020/45308/workshop_flyer_indd_2.pdf)