

THE WENTWORTHVILLE COMMUNITY GARDEN

THE GREENHOUSE IS FILLING
WITH VEGIE AND FLOWER SEEDS
IN READINESS FOR OPEN DAY



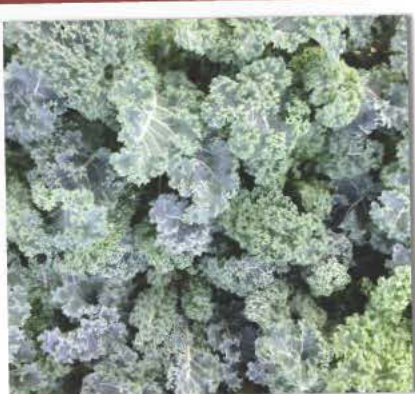
Preparing for Open Day

Open Day is now less than 8 weeks away. At the Garden, many of us have been planting seedlings for fresh produce, seeds for the vegie seedling sale, and, potting and re-potting for the plant sale. At home, the cooks have been planning what to bake, bottling jams and pickles, and, the craft makers have been sewing and knitting.

The Greenhouse has been upgraded with an extra shelf to hold the newly planted seeds, and, the watering system has been adjusted to better water these plantings.

Setup for Open Day will start on the afternoon of Friday 10 October 2014. Some of the shades will be erected, tables put in place and produce harvested.

Open Day teams still need helpers for the Fresh Produce Team, the Morning Tea Team, the Plants and Seedlings Team and the Craft Team. We would also like some vegetarian food options to sell. If you can help with any these then please let Liz, Maureen or Robyn know how you can contribute before or during Open Day.





BE WATER WISE

- WATER IS A PRECIOUS RESOURCE THAT WE MUST CONSERVE
- WATER WITH HOSES FITTED WITH A TRIGGER NOZZLE ANY DAY BEFORE 10 AM & AFTER 4 PM
- INDIVIDUALS FACE A \$220 FINE IF THEY WATER OUTSIDE THESE HOURS WITH A HOSE
- USE TANK WATER OR A WATERING CAN TO WATER GARDENS AT ANY TIME
- COMPOST ENRICHES THE SOIL BY HELPING IT TO ABSORB AND HOLD MORE WATER
- MULCH GENEROUSLY AS IT REDUCES WATER LOSS BY UP TO 70 PER CENT, IMPROVES YOUR SOIL AND DISCOURAGES WEEDS
- DON'T OVER-WATER, AS WATERLOGGED SOIL ENCOURAGES THE GROWTH OF BACTERIA AND FUNGI, WHICH CAN CAUSE DISEASE IN PLANTS

August s355 Committee Meeting

Secretary's Report

The Committee approved a visit from the 1st Greystanes Scouts on 6 September 2014 to learn about soil preparation, moisture retention and spring plantings.

Treasurer's Report

Maureen reported that we have a bank balance of \$7,762.60 and \$36.10 in petty cash.

General Business

A prototype trestle table has been on display at the Garden. It will primarily be used for plants and seedlings can also be used at other times or collapsed and stowed away. The Committee has approved the construction of up to four more of these tables.

New Members

Welcome to our new members Jennifer, Judy (Wen Niang), Angela H, John M, Sharada and Kamala.