

Article for the March 2016 Bridge



Looking forward to the summer, here is a photo of flowers from last year, from the field sent in by one of our members.

Although the start of the year was dark and wet, our regular band of volunteers have been there most Thursday and Saturday mornings and have made superb progress. From regular winter jobs like cleaning and tidying the shed and polytunnel, to clearing, cleaning and spreading dung on the beds, they have made a real difference. This has meant that when the recent spell of good weather arrived we were ready for Geordie and his vintage tractor to plough the field. In addition, in the polytunnel people have been cleaning planting boxes, making up compost and planting seeds like leeks and broad beans that are already sprouting.

We have also been very fortunate that on the first Saturday in March a group of dads of primary school children came and worked all day. What a difference their youthful energy and enthusiasm made that day. They made soak aways and set up a sink area for washing vegetables which we will value in the summer, they tidied up compost bins, spread dung and generally worked very hard to tidy everything up and move our preparation for planting along at a real pace.

If you want to join and help us we have people working every Thursday, Saturday and Sunday morning from 10 am to midday. There is always plenty to do and someone there to show you what to do. It is always very sociable and coffee and chat at the end of a session. It is also fun, cheaper than joining a gym in terms of exercise, and there are jobs for people of all ages and abilities.

Also keep an eye out for posters and announcements about our forthcoming Heritage Events like planting tatties and leeks which will be happening soon.

If you belong to an organisation in the area and want to hear more about what we are doing in the field, please contact us and we will be happy to come along and talk to you or show you round the field.

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