

North Hainault Allotment Holders Association & Protection Society Ltd

Members' Newsletter

December 2016

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can be found on our websites:
nhaha.org.uk
AND nnr-allotments.org.uk

Parking on the Street

Both sites have a car park but there are times when it is more convenient to park in the street when visiting your allotment. A few plot holders have been issued with parking tickets so **beware ...**



Do not to park on the pavement as it is an offence in London to park with one or more wheels on the pavement unless pavement parking is specifically allowed.

Security Reminder



Please lock the gates **every** time you enter or leave the allotments.



Manure Needed

We are no longer getting manure delivered to Tomswood Hill. We have called local stables and so far been unsuccessful. If you know anyone who will deliver to us, please let us know.

Winter Work on Tomswood Site

This winter we need to:

- * Clear the remaining rubbish around the site
- * Cut back brambles and perennial weeds on neglected areas
- * Install two new water tanks
- * Replace some of the water pipes
- * Repair damaged paths
- * Begin work on the new garden on the site of the burnt down trading hut

In order to get these jobs done we need additional volunteers. Can you spare some time to help us ... even a few hours would be really useful.



Bonfires- do

bindweed; brambles; paper;
couch grass; ground elder;
hedge clippings ; wood scraps;
prunings from fruit trees & bushes

Bonfires- don't

metal; paint tins; glass;
foam; plastic; rubber;
aerosol cans; treated wood

Before lighting your bonfire – check for hibernating hedgehogs.
Never leave a bonfire. You should supervise it until it is fully burnt out.
If you must leave it, damp it down with plenty of water.

**TRADING HUTS
CLOSED
FOR
TWO MONTHS
Re-opening
5th February 2017**

Planting New Fruit

Now is a good time to plant bare-rooted fruit bushes such as gooseberries and raspberries. They can be planted at any point during the dormant season of November to March. Soak the roots in water for 30 minutes before planting, add manure or compost to the planting hole, firm soil and water in ... Easy!

The Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held on Saturday 19th November 2016 and was attended by 37 members of the Society. Thank you to all who came and, a special thank you to Eileen, Norman and their helpers for the refreshments. Following reports on what had happened at the two allotment sites over the last year the committee for the coming year was elected and has remained much the same, apart from a vacancy for the post of Honorary Secretary.

We had a good display of photos that had been entered in our first Photo Competition. Prize winners have been informed and their photos, along with a selection of the other entries will soon be on the website. Thank you to all who took part. We look forward to an even greater number of entries next year; look out for details in future newsletters.

**DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS
FOR OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER?**

Contact the Committee

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**REMINDER: THE WATER SUPPLY
TO THE TANKS WILL BE TURNED
OFF DURING THE WINTER MONTHS**



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