



Olden Community Garden Newsletter August 2015

REMINDER

The next monthly Volunteer Work Day is Saturday, 15th August,
from 10 - 4 pm
Lunch is provided for all volunteers, including children and visitors
Everyone is welcome

Tasks include: planting out the donated herbaceous plants; clearing and preparation of the accessible raised border on the second-level; check on the fruit trees in the orchard and pick fruit if ripe or damaged; thin out strawberries; watering the vegetable patch; weeding the wild-flower garden and watering along Roundhouse wall; etc, etc. Please volunteer a few hours of your time to help with the maintenance of our lovely garden over the summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations to Laura Arison, our part-time gardener, who was awarded a Silver Gilt Medal at RHS Tatton for the design of Maggie's Water Garden Celebrating 25 Years of Homes 4U. Laura kindly donated a van-load of beautiful plants and shrubs that were part of her award winning entry. A big "Thank You" to Laura from all the Members of Olden Garden.

The three water-harvesting tanks behind the garden house have been emptied and cleaned out. The tanks are now ready to be refilled. Occasional summer showers (preferably over night) are welcome - both to water the garden and to replenish our tanks with rain water.

A handrail has been installed on the central brick steps leading from the lawn down to the second-level raised border, and the orchard for better accessibility. There are

further plans to improve the main steps leading to the greenhouse, so as to make the garden more accessible for everyone.

The Olden Garden current financial year ends on 30th August 2015. Membership Renewal notices for 2015/16 will be sent out shortly, together with a **Standing Order Form, and Gift Aid Form.** Members' subscriptions may be renewed annually by cash or cheque payments. Alternatively, some Members may find it more convenient to renew automatically each year on 1st September by standing order. If you have any queries, please contact Jill McKeown, Membership Secretary, or email theoldengarden@yahoo.co.uk

For your Diary

The **Annual General Meeting and Party** will be held on **Sunday afternoon, 27th September 2015.** More details to follow.

Happy Gardening

from The Management Committee
