WYKE REGIS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



HQ & TRADING POST RYLANDS LANE WYKE REGIS WEYMOUTH DT4 9PY Founded 1925
Affiliated to the RHS & DFHS
President Mr Colin Giles

Telephone: 01305 759668 email: enquiries@wrhs.org.uk website: http://wrhs.org.uk/ Price 10p

OPENING TIMES
WEDNESDAY 2pm - 6.30pm
SATURDAY 9.30am - 12.30pm

APRIL 2017 NEWSLETTER

NEWS & EVENTS

Spring has raced in early this year and the Trading Post has stocked Beans and Peas just in time!

All you need for your gardens or allotments can be found at unbelievably low prices.

The Society buys wholesale and sells at a small margin for the benefit of its Members.

Annual membership costs only £5.00, which you can easily save on your first purchases.

Please remember that your Membership was due for renewal on 1st April.

Start sowing your exhibits for the Summer Show now, or start creating your handicrafts. Remember to enter the Pumpkin Competition in aid of Hangers Heroes.

EXTENDED WEDNESDAY OPENING HOURS

The Trading Post now opens longer on Wednesdays: 2.00pm - 6.30pm

WANTED!

If you have any garden stone to spare, we could use it at the front of the Trading Post to make a rockery. Please contact Carrie Dalby generalsecretary@wrhs.org.uk

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

We would love to see photographs taken before and after your work this year on either your allotment or your garden.

WRHS OPEN DAY

Saturday 8th April from 10am to 4pm

Why not pop in and see the newly refurbished shop and have coffee and cake with like-minded people? There is a wide range of plants for sale. Got a gardening problem? Come and ask.

Floral Table Decoration Workshop

The workshop originally planned for Wednesday 12 April has been postponed until later in the year

WRHS Calendar Photo Competition

Get those shutters clicking for the WRHS Photo Calendar Competition
The 2018 WRHS Calendar will feature gardening, horticulture, & local scenes, shot by WRHS Members.

Please email your entries to calendar@wrhs.org.uk

Pumpkin Competition

Can you grow the heaviest pumpkin?

WRHS is hosting the

Hangers Heroes Pumpkin Competition

in aid of local charities

Open to Members and non-Members.

Entry £2.50 including seeds, & instructions.

Entry forms are available at the Trading Post.

The weigh-in will take place on Saturday 7th October during a Harvest Supper of Pumpkin or Vegetable Soup.

The WRHS Summer Show

will be held on Saturday 15th July 2017
The emphasis is on fun!
Classes for all ages, not just in Horticulture:
Arts and Crafts, Photography, Cookery,
Flower Arranging and Potato Competition.
Schedules are available at the Trading Post
or go to the website http://wrhs.org.uk/
and click on the Events plant label

Start work now!

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PEAS, BEANS, ETC.

Well below normal retail prices

Ambassador Pea 50p/100g ALMOST GONE



Douce Provence Pea 60p/100g



Hurst Greenshaft Pea 60p/100g



Kelvedon Wonder Pea 70p/100g



Meteor Pea 50p/100g



Sugar Snap Pea 70p/100g ALMOST GONE



Onward Pea 60p/100g



Bunyard's Exhibition Broad Bean 80p/100g



Masterpiece Green Broad Bean 80p/100g



Sutton Dwarf Broad Bean 70p/100g



Witkiem Manita Broad Bean 60p/100g



Enorma Runner Bean 95p/100g



Hestia Runner Bean £1.85/100g



Moonlight Runner Bean £2.25/100q



Painted Lady Runner Bean £1.10/100g



Polestar Runner Bean £1.15/100g



Red Knight Runner Bean £1.35/100g



White Lady Runner Bean £1.45/100g



Blue Lake Climbing French 60p/50g



Cobra
Climbing French
£2.20/50g



Cosse Violette Climbing French £1.10/100g



Hunter
Climbing French
£1.25/50g



Canadian Wonder Dwarf French 85p/100g



Purple Teepee Dwarf French 80p/50g



Safari Dwarf French 95p/50g



Sprite
Dwarf French
84p/100g
ALMOST GONE



Pea & Bean

Tendergreen Dwarf French 50p/50g



Trug £1.50



6 foot £2.50/10

Canes



8 foot £3.50/10

Canes



Seeds 120 varieties

Vegetable



Sweet Pea Seeds 40 varieties



Picardy Wight Garlic 40p/bulb



Gladolus Several varieties 20p each



Iris Hollandica Blue Magic 15p each



Fibre Pots 8cm diam Pack of 12 £1.75



Fibre Pots 5cm square Pack of 36 £2.00



Fibre Pots 6cm square Pack of 20 £2.00



Fibre Pots 6cm diam Pack of 24 £2.40



Fibre Pots 7cm diam Pack of 16 £2.45



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SELECTED ITEMS AT THE TRADING POST

Fibre Pots for ring culture Pack of 6 £3.30



Grow Tubes Biodegradable Pack of 20 £3.30



Vitax Slug Rid 500g £4.15



Plum Maggot Trap £8.50



Weedfree Concentrate 1 litre £12.90



Watering
Can
for weed killer
£5.40



Maxicrop Original 500ml £4.26



Watering Can 10 litre £5.40



Wheelbarrow Kit £30.00 Built £35.00



Barrow Booster £4.00



Fork Spear & Jackson £15.50



Spade Stainless Steel £24.95



Tidy Tray for potting up £11.65 £6.00



Shelf clips onto Tidy Tray

£3.70

£1.95



Gloves
Master Gardener
£4.50



Scoop

£2.75 £1.50



Scoop Flat Base £2.75 £1.60



Sprayer 5 litre £13.24 £7.50



Extendable Spray Wand





Hand Fork Stainless Steel £4.25



SEED POTATOES

Select your own tubers. Buy just the quantity you want. 14 varieties – Salad - 1st Early - 2nd Early - Main Crop Sold by weight. All varieties £1.30 per kilo - well below normal retail prices

Charlotte Salad Waxy variety



International
Kidney
Salad
Scab resistant



Pentland
Javelin
1st early
SOLD OUT



Red Duke of York 1st early ALMOST GONE



Rocket
1st early
Eelworm resistant
ALMOST GONE



Lady Christl 1st/2nd early Scab & eelworm resistant ALMOST GONE



Estima
2nd early
Scab resistant
ALMOST GONE



Kestrel
2nd early
Scab resistant
ALMOST GONE



Marfona 2nd early



Wilja 2nd early Scab resistant



Cara
Main crop
Scab, blight &
eelworm resistant
ALMOST GONE



Desiree
Main crop
Waxy red
ALMOST GONE



King Edward
Main crop
Scab resistant
SOLD OUT



Maris Piper
Main crop
Eelworm resistant
ALMOST GONE



Picasso
Main crop
Red-eyed variety
SOLD OUT



Sarpo Mira Late maincrop Blight resistant ALMOST GONE



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A RECIPE FOR APRIL



Wild Garlic Pesto

Contributed by The Kitchen Gardener

This month I thought you might like a recipe for an accompaniment. It involves some foraging which may appeal to some of you. If you would like a change from mint sauce with your lamb this pesto is just the thing.

Wild garlic flowers also make a pretty and tasty addition to a salad.

Ingredients

120g wild garlic leaves, blanched 1 garlic clove, peeled and grated 20g pine nuts, toasted 200ml olive oil ½ lemon, zest only 30g parmesan cheese, grated salt and pepper

Method

- 1. Pick and wash the wild garlic leaves.
- 2. Blanch the leaves in a pan of boiling water for 30 seconds.
- 3. Re-fresh in a bowl of ice-cold water.
- 4. Squeeze out the excess water and roughly chop.
- 5. Blend the leaves, garlic, pine nuts, olive oil, lemon zest and grated parmesan in a food processor.
- 6. Season with salt and pepper.

WHAT TO DO THIS MONTH

- Feed shrubs and roses.
- Tie in climbing and rambler roses.
- Protect fruit blossom from late frosts.
- Sow hardy annuals, herbs and wild flower seed outdoors.
- Sow new lawns and re-seed bare patches.
- Divide bamboos and water-lilies.
- Start giving house plants more water.
- Plant onions, shallots and garlic sets.
- Chit early and maincrop potatoes.
- Plant Jerusalem artichoke tubers and asparagus crowns.
- Enter the Hangers Heroes Pumpkin Competition rules, seeds and advice from the Trading Post.
- Seeds to sow indoors: sweet peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, aubergines, celery, salads, globe artichokes.
- Seeds to sow outdoors, **weather permitting**: broad beans, carrots, parsnips, beetroot, onions, lettuces, radish, peas, spinach, summer cabbage, salad leaves, leeks, Swiss chard, kohl rabi, turnip and summer cauliflower.
- Keep weeding!
- Prune fig trees.
 - Remember to keep notes throughout the year which varieties you plant, and when, and how well (or badly !) they fare. Take a few photos to go with your notes. If we all pool our experiences, we can all help each other. Local knowledge is worth more than the generalisations you can get from gardening books!

Remember to pick up your free copy of the April edition of Country Gardener from the Trading Post