



ROSEBUD COMMUNITY GARDEN

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Our happy band of helpers at the recent Bunnings Sausage Sizzle. L-R Gail, Ian, Sam, Kay & Jason

Thanks, Thanks Thanks!

Many thanks to all those who helped at our Sausage Sizzle. Despite the cold it was a very successful day. Don't our new aprons look great? Thanks to Gail for organising these.

Open Day: Sunday 27th November (11am – 3pm)

We are currently planning our Friends and Family Open Day in November. This will be a smaller affair than the original planned day due to time constraints and council requirements, but we are looking at it as a practice for a bigger one in the future.

If all members are able to invite at least two or three other people we should get enough visitors to make it a viable event. Put this date in your diary and invite your friends and/or neighbours. We are not going to advertise it more widely this time.

We already have some volunteers but if any other members can spare an hour or so on the day we would love to hear from you. We need helpers for stalls and serving food. Before the day we also need people to pot up cuttings, make preserves and make crafty items. Gail Russell is coordinating the day so please contact her if you can help. Gail's email address is gailhotpink@hotmail.com

We would like ALL members to contribute if possible.

Unused plots

Members who have not used their plots for some time may find their plot given to someone on the waiting list. There are a small number of neglected plots which make the garden look unloved. We especially want everything looking good for our Open Day in November.

Dogs

We have been asked by some members to be allowed to bring their dogs into the garden. After some discussion the Committee have decided to relax the No Dog rule for a trial period of three months with the following conditions:

1: Dogs MUST be on a short leash and must be tethered at the owner's own plot.

2: The member is totally responsible for the dog's behaviour, including removal of droppings. The member must repair any damage caused and accept all liability for any circumstances arising, including the wellbeing of the dog.

Would members please report any problems to a committee member. The rule will be reviewed at the end of the year.

October Committee meeting

Saturday 30th October: 10am

Working Bee: 11am

Shared lunch: 12.00 BYO pizza to be cooked in the pizza oven.

Rules and Guidelines

All members have been issued with a copy upon joining the garden. Could everyone please read them again so that we all have an understanding of what is required?

Communal Beds

Kay and Jason, with help from several other members are planting out the crop mandala. We're working towards a crop rotation system to maximise soil health and yield, with succession planting also playing a part. All 8 beds are no-dig, with chook poo, worm wee and compost for fertilizing. The automatic sprays come on in early morning at the moment, but will be set to twice daily once summer arrives. (Please don't touch the taps which need to remain on. There's a plan of these plantings in the club room.

Thanks to the many members who have helped with the development and maintenance of this area.

Happy Gardening, Sandra Freeman