

BRAEHEAD COMMUNITY GARDEN



NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2024

HALLOWEEN - WONDERFULLY SPOOKY DAY!



Welcoming our new member...
Frances

Looking forward to seeing you in the garden!

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make our Halloween event a brilliant success! We had nearly 200 people through the gates over the day. Our events really are becoming part of the community and the kids loved it. It was great to see some new faces volunteering and coming along too.

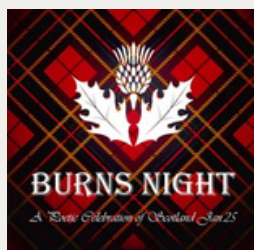
Did everyone see our double page spread in the Stirling Observer??? If not, it's on the noticeboard in the clubhouse.



We're also discussing how to make the day better, ideas welcomed.

BURNS SUPPER - JAN 2025!

The garden will be hosting a Burns Supper in the Crawford Hall on Sat 25th January. This will be a ticketed event to cover our costs (£tbc). A wonderful meal will be provided, as will some light entertainment & bring your own drinks. Can you please let Nikki know if you are interested by 1st December.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Social
Sun 15th Dec, PT3,
10am - 1pm

All welcome! Bring your own food, hot drinks provided.

Burns Supper
@ Crawford Hall

Sat 25th Jan, time tbc,
BYOB

Watch out for our 2025 Events Calendar coming soon!

Easter, Summer BBQ, social evenings and more!

BEREAVEMENT BOX

Strathcarron Hospice have kindly donated a bereavement box to the garden. This is for anyone who feels it may be of help to them in some way. It is in the clubhouse, and please feel free to take any of the books & resources home and return them



10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!!

Did you know our garden will be 10 years old next year! How time flies! We are looking for ideas on how we can celebrate this huge milestone. No idea is too big, just let us know what you think - and it will definitely involve some sort of party!

November Garden Jobs

Who knew November could be such a busy month in the garden!

- Use cloches to protect winter peas, beans and salads, but leave the ends open as good ventilation is vital
- Plant garlic, shallots and onions in free-draining soil or raised beds, then cover with fleece
- Prune autumn-fruiting raspberries to the ground after harvesting
- Clean out and scrub bird feeders regularly to maintain hygiene
- Check greenhouse plants regularly for overwintering pests
- Tidy up strawberry beds, cutting back old foliage, congested runners and removing any weeds
- Scrub down greenhouse staging, glazing and framework with disinfectant
- Put netting over cabbages, kale and other hardy brassicas to protect them from pigeons
- Cut down Jerusalem artichokes, then dig up and store the tubers in a bucket of dry compost

MEMBER NOTES...

- It's the time of year when small animals look for warmth and shelter for the winter. Please make sure to remove all food, rubbish, tidy up beds, surrounding areas and wash / disinfect hands regularly.
- Our hard working little bees have made more honey! This will be available for sale soon. If you didn't manage to get any of the first batch, let Nikki know and a jar can be put aside for you.
- And on that note, if anyone would like to help out with the bees please let Nikki or John Miller know. I already have a couple of names, thank you, and John should be in contact very soon.
- We are still taking donations for the teenager essentials box in the clubhouse. If you have any smellies, socks etc spare, please pop them in.
- Any tubs in the clubhouse not claimed by Sat 30th Nov will be given to charity

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