

**Kingsclere Allotment Management Group (AMG)**  
Newsletter  
July 2017

**Picnic and Allotment Competition - SATURDAY 22 JULY 12-2PM**

Don't forget we are holding a competition with trophies for the following categories:

1. Best Overall Plot
2. Best Overall Crop
3. Most creative/best use of eco friendly methods
4. Judges choice/special mention
5. Children's Competition - Tallest Sunflower.

The judging will take place the week before and trophies will be awarded at the picnic. Please see the attached poster for more information.

**Plot maintenance/Unallocated plots**

We have been very keen to improve plot cultivation this year and as a result the Parish Council has sent notices to improve. Several plots have recently been given up and are now reallocated.

**Kingsclere Garden Association Open Gardens - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017 2-6pm**

The allotments are part of the Open Gardens. We would love as many plot holders as possible to be there to show visitors around and talk about their plots. Tickets to visit the gardens will be on sale in the Church Yard from 1.30pm on the day. £5 per adult, children are free with an accompanying adult.

**Reminders for new plot holders**

**Orchard** - We have an allotment orchard that is situated on plot 1B(b). You are free to harvest any fruit on this plot but please take only what you need so we may all enjoy some each. This plot regularly needs to be strimmed. If you see it is getting long and are able, please spend a few minutes with your strimmer to keep it down.

**Toilet** - This facility is available during the Spring, Summer and Autumn. It is drained down in winter to prevent frost damage. If you would like a key, they are available from the Parish Clerk with a £5 deposit. The AMG will give it a clean in the Spring and there are cleaning materials in there for everyone's use.

Yours sincerely

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