

Tetbury and District u3a – Gardening Group

Thirty-eight people have joined the Gardening Group with interests as diverse as organic vegetable gardening, plant propagation, visiting specialist nurseries, growing from seed, visiting gardens both in Tetbury and farther afield and general meetings to swap ideas and plants.

Subject Areas

U3A is run by the members for the members and the Gardening Group is keen to explore ways to further their knowledge of all things horticultural. The Group consists of both novice and experienced gardeners with the rest of us falling somewhere in between.

The overwhelming choice from discussions at the first meeting was to apply to visit gardens and nurseries where groups have the advantage of visiting when the garden or nursery is closed to the general public.

Other suggestions were to have plant swaps at appropriate times of year, share seeds where required and share ideas for garden design.

We also plan to visit members' gardens, if they feel they would like to share them!

The When and Where

It was decided to meet, where possible, on a Monday of every month. Discussion meetings will be in Garden Centres as these provide café facilities large enough to hold the group. The day and time may change if we manage to book a group garden visit but members will be notified in advance so they can make suitable arrangements.

Costs

We have to cover our own costs as a group. Individuals will have to pay whatever fee the venue charges when the group goes on a visit. Those of us with cars will pool resources to get everyone to garden visits.

Next Step

The leader will attempt to arrange a programme of yearly garden visits at the beginning of every year. Suggestions from members will be welcomed and a record of these requests will be kept by the group leader.

Anyone who requires more information can email Judith at opheliatheboat@gmail.com