

Guidelines & Information for the Diamond Valley Community Garden

These guidelines have been developed over a number of years that the Community Garden has been in operation and are subject to further changes. Please read them and let the Committee know if you think revisions are necessary.

1. We promote organic gardening. Please no chemical fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides or pesticides within the Community Garden. If you are unfamiliar with gardening and want to know more, come with your friends & family to garden talks at the Community Garden provided by excellent local resources - we'll keep you posted.
2. Any garden plots that are not planted by June 30 will be turned back to the Community Garden; please contact Jane at [403 933 7204](tel:4039337204) or Jackie [587 215 6127](tel:5872156127) if there is a problem as we have a waiting list of gardeners who are looking for a plot.
3. We are continuing to promote water conservation: water your garden on the odd days (the garden address is an odd number!) according to the Town of Black Diamond's Watering Schedule which is available on-line and in our shed. Water barrels may be filled during our allotted time for watering and hand-watered at anytime from the barrels. We are making efforts to collect more rainwater which we can also use anytime from the barrels. To reduce depletion of moisture in the soil, please use the provided straw to mulch the beds.
4. Please talk to your fellow gardeners about taking care of your garden if you are on holidays.
5. Clean tools before putting them away.
6. Do not pick, prune or pluck other garden plots without permission.
7. Weed in and around your garden and place weeds in the dumpster outside the east gate; all garden waste is taken to Okotoks for composting.
8. Weeding of fruit forest berms is appreciated; volunteers will be solicited to water a specific portion of the berms.
9. Lock-up when you leave.
10. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.
11. No pets allowed within the fenced garden area.
12. Please be safe - stay hydrated on hot days, wear proper shoes within the garden and when using garden forks and shovels and wear gloves when using tools.

The Garden Committee will be in touch with dates for up-coming work bees, BBQ's and gardening talks. This information will be posted at the north gate and will be sent to your e-mail. Please show your support for the garden by pitching in with these activities. We are grateful to all the volunteers who have collectively built our Community Garden.

The Community Garden is not publicly funded and strives to be self-sustaining. Please assist with fund-raising activities such as the Plant Sale on June 9th, 2018 at A.G. Foods in Black Diamond. Contact Jane at [403 933 7204](tel:4039337204) to find out how to assist.

If you are interested in being on the Garden Committee, we would welcome you to assist with planning and development of our garden community.

Contacts:

You can contact the Committee with questions about garden plot rentals, comments and suggestions through our e-mail address: diamondvalleygarden@gmail.com or through Facebook: Diamond Valley Community Garden

Committee phone contact: Jane Toews [403 933 7204](tel:4039337204)