

Food and Growing Group Admin report. January 2017

GQT - in hand, organised by Comms Group - panel of Maggie Dove, Dan Ross, Maggie Wormald. Julie chair.

Seed swap - small group carrying on the initial work of Clive and Julie; special thanks to Lesley and Gordon who have done a large part of the practical work to have it up and running - new seed packets with TBI logo, display boxes created. Any spare seed you have to offer is still welcome. Seed swap will be present at GQT and Potato Day, also markets in Feb/March except Kessock end of Feb. (Too close to PD)

Have provided spare seed to John Wood to support his plans to initiate a seed swap event on the west coast.

Potato Day 4 March - planning well underway. Agric putting in potato order again this year, but he is introducing Trish McKeggie and Maggie Wormald to 'the mysteries' so they can take over from him in the future.

Call gone out for volunteers.

Request to Wendy for poster - detail been emailed. Liaison re advertising - Feb newsletter, Chatterbox ? Muir Matters, press release in Courier and P&J. Poster to allotment/ garden groups etc.

Community Garden, Netherton - Lesley and Julie to meet Romay in next week or so to discuss possibilities - intention to keep arrangements loose.

Grow North - small, successful end of year celebration in December. Suggestions garnered there for programme for this year - organising of this in hand. To blend needs of experienced members who've given suggestions with needs of new gardeners.

Suggestion from Anne for possible funding from Tesco bag fund but seems to take up to 6 months for answer to application - possibility for next year ?