

The **HARTHILL** Plot

Bumper Christmas Issue

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RECORD CROWDS FOR AGM AND 'BEANFEAST'!

There was a great turnout for the Harthill AGM and grand opening of the compost toilet in November. The Lottery funded toilet is a first for a Liverpool allotment. The rain and wind didn't dampen spirits as ploholders tucked in to soup, stew, cakes and sausages.

The AGM saw the committee re-elected joined by new faces Joanne Galbraith, Mike Curtis and Allison Pettitt. Libby has had to leave Harthill and leaves the committee after a short but productive term. Thanks to her for her hard work.

As well as about 40 plot holders, Councillors Richard Wenstone (Labour) and Richard Kemp (LibDem) turned up for the opening. The new loo, in all its Big Lottery Fund livery, was opened (*see below*) by committee member Jane Loveday who had put an enormous amount of work into securing the Lottery funding for the new facility. The committee is now working on ways of installing a ramp to make the toilet fully accessible to wheelchair users. Thanks to Jane and to all the people who worked so hard to make the day a success. At its following meeting the committee decided to hold a similar event next year in, as one member put it, "even better weather".



Jane opens the new compost loo. More pictures over.



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All the action from the grand opening.....



“So *that's* what you do.....”

CLAIM THOSE TOOLS Barbara has been sorting out tools that have been left behind in the shed by resigning plot holders. We will be putting some of these up for sale at bargain prices but if you think any of them are yours - possibly reported as 'stolen' - have a look and put them in a labelled container by 31 December. This is a good time to remind plot holders to make sure their bins in the shed are clearly labelled with name and plot number. Otherwise we have no way of telling if they are still being used.

IF YOU'RE LEAVING..... If you are thinking of giving up your plot (how could you!) can you let us know by the end of the year. We still have a healthy, active waiting list of gardeners who are champing at the bit. The same applies if you want to reduce the size of your plot - the sooner we know, the sooner we can let plots in decent condition.

HARTHILL GETS A WEBSITE! Harthill Allotments will soon be fully entering the digital age with a website, designed by new committee member Mike Curtis. Full details soon.

Please, as usual, remember:

***Keep paths clear
Scramble locks
Keep ponds safe (or fill them in)
Park safely***

Finally - and yes we know it's much too early for this sort of thing, but it's our last chance - can we wish all ploholders a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

You can email us at hhallotments@hotmail.co.uk

