

OUTINGS AND VISITS

The Society regularly runs successful visits and outings throughout the summer. These often include travel to foreign destinations, and have included trips to Iceland, the Dutch bulb fields, Krakow, France, Rome, the Gardens of Alhambra in Spain, and Morocco. Coach trips are sometimes subsidised for members and cheap rates are obtained. Outings to many local venues are also organised. Look on our website for more information.

ALLOTMENT HOLDERS

Although our Society does not run the four parish allotment sites in Abbots Langley, we do encourage all users to become members so that that can enjoy all the benefits set out here.

MEMBERS' DISCOUNTS

Your membership can give you 1/3rd off discount for 2 people on admission to various Royal Horticultural Society gardens, as well as discounts to various shows; Chelsea, Hampton Court, Tatton Park and many more, when prearranged with our Secretary. Discounted seeds ordered via the Society's bulk order scheme, organised by the Secretary in September/October.

HORTICULTURAL SHOWS

Compete with other members in our local shows, in the Spring (March/April) and in the Autumn (September). Win cups and trophies, or simply come and enjoy the displays and perfume. It costs members only 25p to enter each exhibit and as a member you get in free, and you get a free Show Schedule. The public are charged an admission fee of £1, and 50p for the schedule.

PAY BY STANDING ORDER

For ease pay by standing order in December-February to reassure yourself that you have paid. You need to arrange this with your own bank stating our bank details, which can be obtained from the Treasurer.



Web Site: www.algs.org.uk

E-mail: contactus@algs.org.uk



COME AND JOIN OUR CLUB

Membership is £7.00per annum

Renewals – discounted by £1 if paid before
31st March

Simply fill in the application form overleaf and take it, with your payment to the Secretary (see below). Take advantage of all these benefits, pursuing your hobby with a friendly group of like-minded local people, sharing a common interest.

Contact: The Secretary, Mrs Jane Lay, The Gleanings, Marlin Square, Abbots Langley, WD5 0EG. Tel: 01923 447281,
email: leon.lay@ntlworld.com

You may also join at the gardening shop or at one of our social evenings

THE GARDENING SHOP

Members benefit from the exclusive use and low prices of our gardening shop. This is situated at the entrance to the Manor House Allotments (behind the AL Police Station and by the AL Community Centre) and is easily accessed by car, with a free car park. It opens from 9 am to 10 am every Saturday, all year round. A good level of stock is kept, ranging from, composts, herbicides, fertilisers, pots, canes, netting, and many more discounted items for your garden. Sale of our Wild Bird food is extremely popular, at very competitive prices, and special orders can be accommodated for larger quantities. The shop is run by our volunteer members.

BEEHIVE AND BEES

We have our own beehives and we welcome any member who wishes to join in looking after the bees. Our honey is available for sale, whilst stocks last!

FREE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

Keep up to date with the local gardening scene and club events with our regular Newsletter. Find out what the committee is planning, how good the previous talk was and what outings are planned. Plus, local stories, gardening tips from readers and much more. We ask all those who live outside the hand delivery service area to pay an extra £4 per house per year towards postage. If you supply your email address to the secretary, you will receive your newsletters and updates at no extra cost. **Please remember to keep the secretary informed about any changes to your email address.**

SOCIAL EVENINGS

One of our main attractions is our monthly Social evenings (and 2 very popular quiz nights). Guest speakers present garden related topics and everyone is welcome to these social evenings. They run from September to May and are held in the Manor House Sports and Social Centre, Gallows Hill Lane, every 3rd Thursday of the month, starting at 8 pm. A bar and raffle are also available and sometimes plants for sale. Come and enjoy the company of other local gardeners. **Admission is free for members - Guests pay £2.**



Abbots Langley Gardening Society

Founded circa 1866

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM



Thank you for showing an interest in joining our Society. We have been in existence since about 1866, which makes us one of the oldest societies in the country. The front of this leaflet tries to set out some of the advantages of joining and if you like what you read please complete the membership application below. If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Mrs Jane Lay, The Gleanings, Marlin Square, Abbots Langley, WD5 0EG, tel: 01923 447281, email: leon.lay@ntlworld.com, or go to the gardening shop behind Abbots Langley Police Station, or come to one of the Social Evenings held in the Manor House Sports & Social Centre, Gallows Hill Lane, Abbots Langley. Membership is open to all over 16 years of age.

Visit our website at www.algs.org.uk for all the latest information, and on our Facebook page, or contactus@algs.org.uk.

CAN YOU AFFORD NOT TO JOIN? Don't miss out, do it now!

SUBSCRIPTIONS – our financial year runs from 1st December to 30th November and the club rules require all members to renew subscriptions by 31st March. You could save over £10 per year by joining if you attend all our events free to members. The bi-monthly Newsletter is emailed to members, or hand delivered in the village. If you do not have an email address and you live outside this area, it can be posted to you for a postage levy of £4pa. (Only one levy per household is charged, e.g. if more than one member lives at the same address). These subscriptions are set at the AGM. Your name, address, telephone no. and email address are kept on a computer for our records only and are not passed to any 3rd party. You will be required to complete the data protection form.

Subscriptions may be paid by cash, or cheque, payable to **Abbots Langley Gardening Society** (in full), or if you prefer, by Standing Order, payable in December to February, arranged with your bank, our BACS details may be obtained from our Treasurer.

Once completed please take this application form with your payment to the Secretary (address above) or take it to the Gardening Shop at the times given overleaf, or to one of our social evenings which are held on the third Thursday each month.

I would like to join the Abbots Langley Gardening Society. Subscription payable – £7.00 for each member (+£4 per household for postage levy – if applicable)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Membership No.

NAME

Mr/Mrs/Ms

ADDRESS

EMAIL

TEL/MOBILE

Membership fee

Plus Postal Levy (if applicable)

Total Paid

We are encouraging members to pay their annual subscription renewals by standing order between December and February each year, which means no fuss, no having to remember to pay and so easy.

I would like to renew my subscription by Standing Order YES / NO*

I would be prepared to help in the Gardening Shop YES / NO*

(This involves no more than two, one-hour sessions per year on a Saturday morning 9-10am)

Age Group:	16-30	31-40,
	41-50,	51-60
	61-70,	over70
Please circle.		

I have an allotment atno.....I have a specialist interest in.....

Where/how did you hear about us?.....

For office use:

Committee Members inits.:	Postal levy due (£4) yes/no	Put information at back of register
For the Secretary's use:	Details added to data base:	Details given to Chairman:
Welcome letter sent on:	Details entered in Register:	Details given to Depot rota manager: