

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 and to the Gardens of Alhambra in Spain.

Coach trips are sometimes subsidised for members and cheap rates are obtained.

Outings to many local venues are also organised.

ALLOTMENT HOLDERS

Although our Society does not run the 4 parish allotment sites in Abbots Langley, we encourage all users to become members for their own benefit as stated below.

MEMBERS' DISCOUNTS

Your membership can give you **50% 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, prearranged with our secretary.

Society bulk seed orders - Discounts of a minimum of 50% on seeds ordered via the Society, 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. It costs members only 25p to enter each exhibit and the public are charged an admission fee of £1 to enter. **As a member you get in free.**

PAY BY STANDING ORDER

Pay by standing order in December or January to reassure yourself that you have paid. You need to arrange this with your own bank stating our bank details sort code 30-99-21, account number 01426953 informing the Treasurer/Secretary of your payment so your membership card be forwarded to you.



(Established 1857)

Web Site: www.algs.org.uk

E-mail: contactus@algs.org.uk

COME AND JOIN OUR CLUB

Membership is £7.00

Renewals – are due before 31st March
Simply fill in the application form overleaf and take advantage of all these benefits, pursuing your hobby with a friendly group of local people sharing a common interest.

Contact Mrs Jane Lay 01923 447281
The Gleanings, Marlin Square, Abbots Langley,
WD5 0EG (drusillajanelay@gmail.com)

You may also join at our gardening shop or our social evenings or to the Secretary

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, and 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 and at very competitive prices, and special orders can be accommodated for larger quantities.

BEEHIVE AND BEES

We have our own beehives and we welcome any member who wishes to join in looking after the bees.

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 to pay an extra £3 per house per year towards postage or to use your email address at no extra cost. Please supply your email address for up to date email news.

SOCIAL EVENINGS

One of our main attractions is our monthly Social evenings (and 2 very popular quiz nights). Guest speaker's 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 (September – May).

A bar and raffle are also available and sometimes plants for sale. Come and enjoy the company of other local gardeners.

Admission is free to members - Guests pay £2.

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Abbots Langley Gardening Society

Established in 1857



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for showing interest in joining our Society. We have been in existence since 1857, 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 01923 447281 (messages only) (drusillajanelay@gmail.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.

CAN YOU AFFORD NOT TO JOIN ?

Visit our website at www.algs.org.uk for all the latest information.

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 save £15 per year by joining if you attend all events.** The bi-monthly Newsletter is emailed out to members or if you live outside this area will be posted and pay extra for postage, printing, and paper. If one or more members live at the same address, only one postage levy is payable. These subscriptions are set at the AGM in February. Your name, address and telephone are kept on a computer for our records only and are not passed to any 3rd party.

PLEASE NOTE YOU MUST FILL IN OUR GDPR FORM WITH THIS APPLICATION.

I would like to join the Abbots Langley Gardening Society. Subscription payable – £7.00 for each member (+£6 per household for postage levy – if applicable, no extra charge by email)) but you are encouraged to pay yearly by standing order in December - January of each year, no fuss, no having to remember to pay and so easy.

REMEMBER TO PLEASE PRINT WORDS CLEARLY!

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms.....

Address.....

.....Postcode.....

Phone.....Mobile.....

e-mail

I wish to pay by Standing Order next year, please see below for account details Yes / No

I would like to help in the Gardening Shop – YES / NO*

Postal Levy paid (if applicable) – YES / NO*

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

*please circle as applicable

Age group (please circle) – 16 – 30; 31 – 40; 41 – 50; 51 – 60; 61 – 64; over 65;

Reasons for joining (please tick) –

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| Garden visits () | Sharing horticultural information () | Lectures and speakers () |
| Health reasons () | Overseas garden trips () | Plants sales () |
| Discounted RHS tickets () | Discounted purchases in our shop () | Showing () |
| Visits to RHS shows () | Discounted Rose garden tickets () | RHS advice () |
| | Discounted seeds () | Looking after bees () |

I have an allotment at _____ No. _____

I have a specialist interest in.....Where/how did you hear about us?.....

Subscriptions may be paid by cash, cheque payable to Abbots Langley Gardening Society (in full) , or if you prefer by Standing Order in December to January of each year with your bank (our sort code is 30-99-21 account no 01426953). *Once completed please take this application form and GDPR form with your payment to the Secretary (address above), or take it to the Gardening Shop at the times shown or to one of our Social Evenings on the third Thursday in a month.*

Don't miss out, do it now!

PLEASE FILL THE GDPR FORM AS WELL AND SEND TO THE SECRETARY