

Be Safe – Keep Safe!

We hope all our members are keeping well – our latest news is as follows!

ALLOTMENT AWARDS – 2020

For those of you who have been members for some time you will know that we normally hold an annual Gardens and Allotments Competition which is sponsored by Alsager Town Council. This year, due to COVID-19, the government restrictions in place on social interaction, social distancing, and people requiring to self-isolate, it was not possible to run it as we would usually do. However the Town Council and the AGA recognise the valuable role that the allotments play in providing benefits to individuals and contributing to the health and wellbeing of our community.



During the pandemic, our allotments have provided a safe place for our members to be active with those not self-isolating, able to spend quality, productive time outdoors on their allotment.

To recognise this achievement, during what has been a difficult and rather different year, “**Allotment Awards**” have been made at each site.



ALLOTMENT AWARDS – 2020

Awards go to

CEDAR AVE

1st Bob Shaw Plot 29

Joint 2nd Paul & Debbie
Campbell Plot 1 and Hilary
Egley Plot 28

CORONATION AVE

1st Roger Monaghan Plots 3 &
4A

2nd Manuela Schneller and
Caroline Lewis Plots 5 and 6.

TALKE ROAD

Joint 1st Stewart Challinor
Plot 1 and David Gray Plots
8A & 8B

2nd Paul Herrington Plots 3A
& 4

LAWTON ROAD

1st Jennifer Goldstraw and
David Madeley Plots 1-1, 11-
3, 11-4, 11-5.

2nd Alan Peake Plots 4A-1 &
5A-1.



**The “Awards” took place on Saturday 5th
September, outdoors at The Civic**

Our President Derek Hough, Chairman Adrian Ford and
our Site Manager at Talke Road, John Nixon were in
attendance to congratulate the winners.



The Awards - Photos on the Day!

The “Awards” were presented by the Chairman of the Council, Cllr Rod Fletcher and were undertaken ensuring “Social Distancing” – *so no handshakes or hugs this year!*



CEDAR AVE 1st Bob Shaw



CEDAR AVE 2nd Hilary Egley



**TALKE RD – FIRST (joint)
David Gray**



**TALKE RD FIRST (joint)
Stewart Challinor**



**TALKE RD 2nd
Paul Herrington**



CORONATION AVE 1st Roger Monaghan 2nd Caroline Lewis



LAWTON RD 2nd Alan Peake



Virtual Annual General Meeting Saturday 24th October 2020

Dear Member,

The 2020 Virtual Annual General Meeting of the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners Ltd will be held virtually on Saturday 24th October 2020. This will be held via zoom 10:00am – 11:30am. In order to connect and attend, you will require the ability to log into the [Zoom](#) facility.

Due to unprecedented times this virtual meeting will focus on the business aspects only.

If you wish to attend the Virtual AGM, please confirm attendance via email natsoc@nsalg.org.uk by Tuesday 8th September 2020.

Once you have confirmed your attendance, you will be issued with a meeting ID and password along with full confirmation and details.

The Annual Report with the Final Agenda will be circulated by week commencing 21st September 2020.

Yours faithfully
John Irwin
Chairman

[CLICK HERE](#) to download this invite.

TRADING HUT OPENING TIMES

10.30am – 11.30pm

LAST Sunday in the Month

Just Two remaining Days

Sunday 27 September

Sunday 25 October

Order to be emailed to Adrian Ford at

adrian_ford62@hotmail.com

For New Price List

Go to www.alsagergardensassociation.org.uk

The Hut will be staffed by

Adrian and Judith Ford along with one other committee member. The 2020 Hut Rota is no longer applicable.

We hope that in 2021 we can revert to our usual weekly opening. Details will be published in January 2021.



TOO MANY BEANS?

Have you got extra produce from your allotment that you do not need?

Alsager Food Bank welcomes donations of fresh produce.

Items can be dropped off via the side door at the rear of Alsager Community Support Centre, between about 09.30 and 11.30 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Association News

Annual General Meeting 2021

Our AGM is currently scheduled for 8pm Tuesday 9th February 2021. We will be monitoring Government advice and whether our AGM will be able to take place in the traditional format.

More Information will be made available nearer the time.

In the Meantime We Need A Treasurer to start January 2021

Position Vacant - Treasurer.

One of the longest-serving members of our committee has decided to hang up his hat.

Dave Pitt, our treasurer for almost the last **40 years** has decided to retire from his position at the beginning of 2021.

We owe him a debt of gratitude for keeping the Association financially stable during this time and look forward to his continued support of the Association.

Dave will be able to support his successor for a handover period.

We are therefore seeking someone to take on the position of treasurer.

If anyone is interested in doing so, they can obtain further information from

Adrian Ford, Chairman tel 01270 877363 - 07976 978976

Committee Meetings

Throughout the pandemic and since March 2020 your committee has been meeting regularly via ZOOM to progress the business of the association and ensure that members are kept up to date with the latest government advice and in touch with the latest AGA news.

We will be continuing these bulletins on a regular basis going forward but hope to produce our usual Winter Newsletter along with the allotment plot invoices in early January.

Remember if you are looking to give up your plot at the end of this year you need to give us advance notice in writing by 30th November.