

Horticulture Club

Guidelines for Transitional Operation

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The Horticulture Garden has 277 beds with 255 rented at this time, spread across 5 acres of land. The majority of the garden beds are 6' x 20-25'. There is 3 feet of distance between each bed.

The following guidelines will apply during a transitional period and until an "all clear" is declared by the appropriate authorities.

Transitional Guidelines:

1. Only members allowed into the garden---no friends, guests, etc.
2. Social distancing of 6 feet or more is required at all times.
3. Groups cannot gather anywhere in the garden
4. Weed eater/mowing crew must maintain social distance requirements at all times.
5. Diligent hand washing is required upon entering and leaving the garden. Personal hand sanitizer is also acceptable.
6. Members allowed to work in their own gardens to water, repair timers, till, plant fertilize, weed and pest control per the schedule provided below.
7. Gardener's allowed to harvest only for their own use at this time.
8. One mechanic is allowed in the barn to deal with breakdowns of weed eaters and mowers and to keep equipment maintained at a basic level.
9. Anyone sick with flu like symptoms does not enter the garden for any reason.
10. Signs will be posted at each gate with the garden bed work schedule.
11. Gardeners must wear gloves at all times. Wearing of masks is optional.
12. All borrowed tools must be cleaned with Clorox before putting back.
13. Only one person allowed to work on a garden bed unless a spouse.
14. On days and times assigned by the Club leadership:
 - a. Only two people allowed to work in the orchard
 - b. Only one person allowed to work in the Iris section.
 - c. Only two people allowed to work in the Herb garden.
 - d. Only two people allowed to work in the Native Plant garden
 - e. Only one person allowed to maintain new landscape near the barn.
 - f. Only one person allowed to clean and maintain the greenhouse.
 - g. Only one person allowed to work in the nursery
15. Sales of compost will be limited to use in the garden only. No other sales. Money will be deposited into the box provided as usual.
16. Random and frequent observations by board members and trusted volunteers will be conducted to assure that the above guidelines are being diligently followed.
17. Members requiring more than two warnings about guidelines will not be allowed to enter the garden until the all clear.
18. The garden is absolutely closed to the public until further notice.
19. Bring your own water. The water fountain connected to the potable water stand will not be in use.

Garden Schedule:

Gardener's must attend to their plots per the following schedule:

Week 1: (to alternate with week 2)

1. Mondays 8:00 am to 11:00 am Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O - ODD numbered beds
2. Mondays Noon to 3:00 pm Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O - EVEN numbered beds
3. Tuesdays 8:00 am to 11:00 am Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R - ODD numbered beds
4. Tuesday Noon to 3:00 pm Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R - EVEN numbered beds
5. Wednesdays 8:00 am to 11:00 am Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O - EVEN numbered beds
6. Wednesdays Noon to 3:00 pm Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O - ODD numbered beds
7. Thursdays 8:00 am to 11:00 am Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R - EVEN numbered beds
8. Thursdays Noon to 3:00 pm Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R - ODD numbered beds
9. Saturday 8:00 am to 11:00 am Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O----ODD numbered beds
10. Saturday 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm Rows A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O-----EVEN numbered beds
11. Sunday 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R---- ODD numbered beds
12. Sunday 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Rows B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R----EVEN numbered beds

Week 2.

1. Monday through Thurs. no change. See above 1. through 8.
2. Saturday 8:00 am to 11:00 am---A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O-----EVEN numbered beds
3. Saturday 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm----A, C, E, G, I, K, M, O----ODD numbered beds
4. Sunday 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm----B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R-----EVEN numbered beds
5. Sunday 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm----B, D, F, H, J, L, N, P, R-----ODD numbered beds

The purpose of weeks 1 and 2 provides for alternating early and later shifts so that people are not always assigned in the worst heat of the day on weekends.