



April 2026 News

Members, you rock!



New community garden in Colwood Creek Park is another step closer

Council voted in support of building a new community garden at the Colwood Creek Park at their April 13 meeting. Huge thanks to everyone who emailed the Mayor and Council, and all involved in preparing the submission. Hats off especially to

Derek de Candole and Barb Sibbald, who represented the interests of current and future member gardeners brilliantly during the meeting. Stay tuned for next steps, while the City works on preparing a letter of occupancy and Derek works on finding a project manager.

Local Master Gardeners share their knowledge and best practices

Over the years, the Master Gardeners Association of BC have written and compiled many articles originally intended to give their members a quick brush-up on topics that come up frequently during public education clinics. Last winter they debated, "Why not help even more west coast gardeners by making our clinic library public?" Now these resources are easily accessible online, and well worth checking out. You'll find the articles are listed alphabetically by title and grouped by topic. Visit: <https://mgabc.org/2024/04/11/clinic-reference-materials/>

Calendar

April 11 – The Board met as scheduled. Minutes are on the website: colwoodgardensociety.org.

April 18 – Third work party of 2026 is scheduled. Volunteers with handyman skills are essential, but there are always tasks that don't involve power tools or heavy lifting. Please meet at the gardens at 9:30 am; bring a cordless drill and a coffee cup. We expect to have garden soil delivered and ready for top-ups.

April 21 – Colwood Garden Society is participating in ConnectFest at Colwood City Hall from 6 to 8 pm, to build up interest in, and gather feedback on, the new community garden at Colwood Creek Park. Join us there and invite any would-be gardeners you know to come add their names to the wait list for a bed.

May 9 – The Board will meet at the gardens at 9:30 am, weather permitting. Sometimes we need to move indoors, and if we know you plan to attend, we will let you know the meeting location. Following the meeting, minutes are posted on the website: colwoodgardensociety.org.

May 16 – Work party scheduled. Volunteers with handyman skills are essential, but there are always tasks that don't involve power tools or heavy lifting. Please meet at the gardens at 9:30 am; bring a cordless drill and a coffee cup.

Got a question or a suggestion? Send it to cgs@colwoodgardensociety.org.