



'The Potting Shed'

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Come and join us on the
4th July from
10.00am - 4.00pm
for our open day.

There will be
refreshments and our
volunteers will be on
hand to tell you the
nursery history

We will also be holding a
buy one get one free on
any summer season
bedding plants left on
the nursery

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Our next open day is on
12th September from
10.00am – 4.00pm.

This will be our Heritage
Open Day, joining with
many organisation across
the country to open
historic sites.

Needs list

In this edition we are looking for a small petrol rotary mover, we are responsible for maintaining the old coal drop site and a mower would really help with the maintenance. We also need baskets from old flower arrangements, we can recycle them for Christmas decorations. We are always grateful for any garden plants, shrubs, perennials that you no longer want. We can split them and grow them on for the nursery sales. We need as many carrier bags as we can gather before the carrier bag tax comes begins in October. We are always looking for garden tools, woodworking and engineering tools and equipment. Small items can be put in the crate over the fence at the nursery if we are closed. Or contact us on email or phone. Now we are owners of a van we can collect large items.

Plant Pots

We are going to start collecting plant pots again. We are particularly interested in 3.5" 5" 2L pots and 6 packs. We have recently found where we can recycle unwanted pots, so we will take everything and then collect the ones we can use and recycle the rest. All pots can be put into the crates by the nursery gates.

Jobs

Now we have the spring rush over we are looking to tidy up the nursery so if any members can help we would appreciate this. There are numerous repair and maintenance jobs onsite, and we need members with DIY skills to take them on. Please do contact us.

Second St. Crux Sale

Thanks to everyone who donated items for sale or for the refreshments, helped with transport to and from the site, helped set up and run the stalls on the day we made a fantastic £1082

Twitter

If you have an account look for us and add us @pcrnpublicity. We use it to announce our open days and other events. From a small start, we now have over 100 followers. Do follow us and retweet our messages if you can.



Open Country Group Visit

On Thursday 28th May we hosted a group of young people and their carers from Wetherby at the nursery. They spent a few hours doing jobs around the nursery. This group showed so much energy and enthusiasm, that they did all the outdoor jobs we had lined up and wanted more. They have booked to come twice in August, which is fantastic. This really shows that the nursery is living up to its charity obligation of providing therapeutic horticulture for all.

Saturday Sales

The Saturday sales have been a great success this year with more and more people coming to purchase their shrubs, perennials and bedding plants from the nursery. I'm sure you must all be spreading the news of our quality cheap plants by word of mouth as the numbers visiting have increased.

Poppleton Children's Sports Day

As usual the nursery took a stall at this event. This year saw a huge crowd of people fill the village green watching and participating in all the events. The atmosphere was brilliant and we came away at the end of the day having sold £352 worth of plants.

Barbecue

We are holding our members summer barbecue on Thursday

18th June from 6.00 – 8.00pm at the nursery. Members are welcome to bring partners the cost will be £3, collected on the night. Please let us know by email or phone if you are coming so that we can get the catering right.

Red Carpet Day

Following on from the note in the last Potting Shed, we managed to spend an hour on a dry day getting out the Red carpet for the first time in years. We were surprised how good a condition it was in, and how much of it we had, see the photo.



Following on from this we have agreed to have a Red carpet day at the Heritage weekend on the 12th of September, when we hope, weather permitting, to put some of the carpet out with flowers and rope barriers. So put the date in your diary if you would like to follow in Royal footsteps and walk the carpet and have your photo

taken. Hopefully we can get some good publicity for this.

Trip to Castleton

In April the Thursday group managed to have a trip out to Jonathan Lloyd's railway at Castleton in the Moors, something we have been trying to plan for some time. We picked a lovely day and enjoyed seeing and riding on his railway. For those who don't know Jonathan purchased several of the items from Poppleton when the Nursery closed, and has a large barn to keep them under cover. We were able to drive "Alne" the loco that was at Poppleton for many years as well as see some of the other interesting items including the wagon with an old cement mixer on it from the Nursery.



Graham Warner the former manager at the Nursery in Railway days enjoyed being reunited with the loco he owned and had restored, as this picture shows.