otos from left: Gaura lindheimeri, Helenium 'Moerheim Beauty', Cosmos, Helianthus (Sunflower), Persicaria affinis 'Donald Lowndes









News for July & August

Garden Design



We are currently planning and designing gardens that will be ready for autumn and winter planting. With autumn being the ultimate time to plant, now is the time to plan. However, with spring being the next planting slot now is the time to get a design done with maximum planning time.

If you need any help with any suggestions then why not speak with our designer for some ideas.

Please call the office on 01462 686491 to make an appointment.



Photos: Arch Garden display at Letchworth Food & Drink Festival

Jobs to do now...

- Dead head flowering plants
- Dead head and feed Roses
- Feed bedding plants
- Pick fruit and vegetables
- Collect seed from spent plants
- Tie in climbers and ramblers
- Prune wisteria
- Lift and pot up strawberry runners
- Water newly planted shrubs, perennials and bedding before established plants



What have we been up to?

Hedgehog friendly fencing...

We have completed another fence replacement recently. However, what made this one unique was that we were asked to consider the local wildlife and cut a hole for a hedgehog - can you spot it in the photo?

BEFORE



AFTER



Recycling

There has been a lot of talk in the press about recycling and the use of plastics. I always say that gardeners were the original recyclers because gardens always had a compost bin. All the garden waste and kitchen scraps could be turned into compost, which would then be added to the garden. Unfortunately, we have become more reliant on council recycling schemes for this service. Plastic use has increased over the years with plastic plant pots but rather than buy new plants, why not grow from seed or take cuttings using the pots you already have and swap with your neighbours.



RECYCLING

WORD SEARCH

BAGS CARPET COMPOST CUTTINGS EGGS FOOD LABELS **PALLETS** PAPER PLASTIC POTS SEEDS SHREDDING WATER WOOD

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Gardens worth a visit...

The Walled Garden, Luton Hoo, Luton

A 5 acre walled garden designed by Capability Brown. The garden now offers a unique opportunity to see conservation and restoration combined with outstanding volunteer involvement in action.

OPENING TIMES 2019:

Saturday 3rd August 2019 - 9.30 to 12.30

Entry fee: Adult: £5.00

Children: Free (must be accompanied by an adult).



Photo: Hibiscus

Community Group

Supporting the Hospice

We were asked by the Garden House Hospice to support their stall

at the annual Stevenage Day event in June.

We were happy to do this and so ARCH staff and volunteers put together a garden showing perennials and grasses, with a small pond.

This was received so well by the public that it won "Best Decorated Charity Stall" and the plague and £100 prize money for the Hospice, was presented by the Stevenage Mayor.

Well done Team ARCH!



If you are interested in volunteering please email: steve@arch.uk.com



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Join us...

14th September Seed Collection 12th October Autumn Pruning Introduction to 9th November

Please note - dates are subject to change

A full list of courses can be found on the Letchworth Heritage Web site: www.letchworth.com (searching for 'Gardening Masterclass').

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More Information or to book, go to

the ARCH Community Group Facebook Page, @ARCHCommunityGroup or visit the Letchworth Heritage Website



Did you know?





Join the Team.



Our current year has been the busiest yet, with new clients and past customers

returning to us. If you know anyone that is passionate about gardening and all things horticulture, then please do get in touch.



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Now that we are entering mid-summer, the colours in the garden are at their most vibrant.

The days are warmer and rather than working in the garden, we tend to use it more as a social space to entertain family and friends. We have been asked to tidy a couple of gardens, where clients are having Garden Parties and are wanting their gardens to look the best they can.

However, with the dry weather we are again experiencing, we need to

Caroline