

## OUTINGS AND VISITS

The Society regularly runs successful visits and outings throughout the summer. These often include travel to foreign destinations, and have included trips to Iceland, the Dutch bulb fields, Krakow, France, Rome and to the Gardens of Alhambra in Spain.

Coach trips are sometimes subsidised for members and cheap rates are obtained.

Outings to many local venues are also organised.

## ALLOTMENT HOLDERS

Although our Society does not run the 3 allotment sites in Abbots Langley, we encourage all users to become members for their own benefit as stated below.

## MEMBERS' DISCOUNTS

Your membership can give you **1/3<sup>rd</sup> off discount** on admission to various Royal Horticultural Society gardens, as well as **discounts** to various shows Chelsea, Hampton Court, Tatton Park and many more, prearranged with our Secretary.

**Free** admission to the Royal National Rose Society at Chiswell Green for 4 people, plus discounts on rose bushes bought there, and ordered via the Secretary.

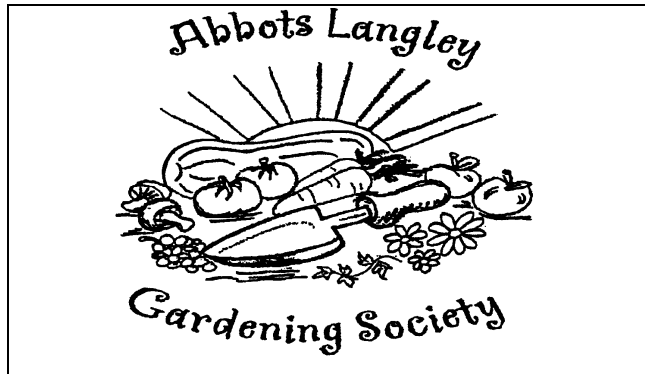
Discounts of a minimum of 40% on seeds ordered via the Society, in October.

## HORTICULTURAL SHOWS

Compete with other members in our local shows, in the Spring (March/April) and in the Autumn (September). Win cups and trophies, or simply come and enjoy the displays and perfume.

It costs members only 25p to enter each exhibit and the public are charged an admission fee of £1 to enter. **As a member you get in free.**

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**Web Site:** [www.algs.org.uk](http://www.algs.org.uk)  
**E-mail:** [contactus@algs.org.uk](mailto:contactus@algs.org.uk)

# COME AND JOIN OUR CLUB

**Membership is just £5 renewable before 31 March.**

**Simply fill in the application form overleaf and take advantage of all these benefits, pursuing your hobby with a friendly group of local people sharing a common interest.**

**Contact Mrs Jane Lay 01923 447281  
The Gleanings, Marlin Square, Abbots Langley,  
WD5 0EG ([leon.lay@ntlworld.com](mailto:leon.lay@ntlworld.com))**

*You may also join at the gardening shop at the opening times shown, or at one of our social evenings*

## THE GARDENING SHOP

**Members benefit from the exclusive use and low prices of our gardening shop.** This is situated at the entrance to the Manor House Allotments (behind the AL Police Station and by the AL Community Centre) and is easily accessed by car, and free car park. **It opens from 9 am to 10 am every Saturday all year round.** A good level of stock is kept ranging from, composts, herbicides, fertilisers, pots, canes, netting, and many more discounted items for your garden.

Sale of our **Wild Bird food** is extremely popular and at very competitive prices, and special orders can be accommodated for larger quantities.

## BEEHIVE AND BEES

We own our own beehive and we welcome any member who wishes to join in looking after the bees.

## FREE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

Keep up to date with the local gardening scene and club events with our regular Newsletter. Find out what the committee is planning, how good the previous talk was and what outings are planned. Plus local stories, gardening tips from readers and much more. We ask all those who live outside the hand delivery service to pay an extra £2.50 per house per year towards postage or to use your email address at no extra cost.

## SOCIAL EVENINGS

One of our main attractions is our monthly Social evenings (and 2 very popular quiz nights). Guest speaker's present garden related topics and everyone is welcome to these social evenings. They run from September to May and are held in the Manor House Sports and Social Centre, Gallows Hill Lane, every 3rd Thursday of the month, starting at 8 pm (September – May).

A bar and raffle are also available and sometimes plants for sale. Come and enjoy the company of other local gardeners.

**Admission is free to members - Guests pay £1.**

# Abbots Langley Gardening Society

Established in 1857



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for showing interest in joining our Society. We have been in existence since 1857, which makes us one of the oldest societies in the country. The front of this leaflet tries to set out some of the advantages of joining and if you like what you read please complete the membership application below. If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Mrs Jane Lay, The Gleanings, Marlin Square, Abbots Langley, WD5 0EG 01923 447281(leon.lay@ntlworld.com) or go to the gardening shop behind AL Police Station, or come to one of the Social Evenings held in the Manor House Sports & Social Centre, Gallows Hill Lane, Abbots Langley. Membership is open to all over 16 years of age.

### CAN YOU AFFORD NOT TO JOIN ?

Visit our website at [www.algs.org.uk](http://www.algs.org.uk) for all the latest information.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS** – our financial year runs from 1st December to 30th November and the club rules require all members to renew subscriptions by 31st March. **You save £7 per year by joining if you attend all events.** The bi-monthly Newsletter is hand delivered by the Committee but if you live outside this area you can receive this by email or pay a postage levy of £2.50. If one or more members live at the same address, only one postage levy is payable. These rates are set at the AGM in January. Your name, address and telephone are kept on a computer for our records only and are not passed to any 3<sup>rd</sup> party.

**I would like to join the Abbots Langley Gardening Society. Subscription payable – £5.00 for each new member (+£2.50 per household for postage levy – if applicable, no extra charge by email)**

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms\* .....

Please print both your first and last names clearly

Address.....Postcode.....

Telephone..... e-mail.....

**I would like to help in the Gardening Shop – YES / NO\***

(This involves no more than two, one-hour sessions per year on a Saturday morning 9-10am)

**Postal Levy paid (if applicable) – YES / NO\***

\*please circle as applicable

**Age group (please circle) – 16 – 30; 31 – 40; 41 – 50; 51 – 60; 61 – 64; over 65;**

**Reasons for joining (please tick) –**

Garden visits ( )

Health reasons ( )

Discounted RHS tickets ( )

Visits to RHS shows ( )

Sharing horticultural information ( )

Overseas garden trips ( )

Discounted purchases in our shop ( )

Discounted Rose garden tickets ( )

Discounted seeds ( )

Lectures and speakers ( )

Plants sales ( )

Showing ( )

RHS advice ( )

Looking after bees ( )

**I have an allotment at \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ / No I do not (please delete)**

**Do you have a specialist interest.....**

**Where/how did you hear about us? .....**

Subscriptions may be paid by cash, cheque, or Standing Order with your bank. Cheques should be made payable to the Abbots Langley Gardening Society. *Once completed, please take this application form with your payment to the Secretary (address above), or take it to the Gardening Shop at the times shown or to one of our Social Evenings on the third Thursday in a month.*

**out, do it now!**

**Don't miss**

**For Committee's use.**

Membership No.....

Date.....

Postal Levy

(tick)

Total paid £.....

Delivery round.....

Initials of Committee Member taking application.....Member who recommended this applicant.....