



*Flitwick
Gardeners' Association
Wish all its members
A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year*

Christmas 2025

Message from the Chair

Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

As always, it's been a busy year for the FGA supplying most, if not all, of your gardening needs over the year, despite the ongoing disruption of the Care Home development. However, every cloud has a silver lining so, due to a combination of the developers Farrans and Flitwick Town Council, we now have a larger Seedbox car park area, new gutters and bargeboards on the Seedbox, and new fences and gate for our compost storage compound. By the time we re-open in February, we are hoping that you'll be able to access the Seedbox from the new road off Steppingley Road (Red Kite Road), rather than via the back of the Leisure Centre carpark. Due to parking restrictions around the Care Home, it is likely that our parking will be limited to the Seedbox car park area and the top of the allotments. **So please look out for an email in your Inbox before we re-open in February with an update on access and parking.**

The Show Committee has also been very busy, organising three very successful shows, the ever-popular annual quiz (profits from which were shared with the Village Hall roof fund and Keech), and a highly enjoyable trip to the lovely RHS-partner Springfields Festival Gardens at Spalding. Sadly, due to a lack of support from members, we will not be organising a garden visit in 2026.

As we draw towards the end of another year, I'd like to thank all of the Executive and Show Committee members, key holders, till helpers, compost room helpers and 'Thursday mob' members (and anyone else I've forgotten) for their time and enthusiasm. Being a member-run association, we can't function without enthusiastic volunteers. With the time for New Year

resolutions approaches, why not resolve to (1) offer some of your time or skills to the FGA next year and/or (2) encourage friends, neighbours and family to join and benefit from everything the FGA offers?

Finally I would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and let's hope for great gardening in 2026.

Ian Holman
FGA Chairman

Seed Box Opening Hours (first Saturday in February – last Saturday in November)

Saturday	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. (Closed on Show Days)
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General enquiries enquiries@flitwickgardeners.co.uk

New phone number: **07592 996139**

Dates for 2026

Seed Box re-opens Saturday 2nd February 2026

Spring Show - Saturday 28th March 2026

Annual Show - Saturday 22nd August 2026

Autumn Show - Saturday 10th October 2026

FGA Quiz – Thursday 26th November 2026

No date has been set for the AGM.

As Always.....

We would still benefit from more volunteers to help at the Seedbox.

If you feel able to assist, please contact us by email: -

enquiries@flitwickgardeners.co.uk

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Pre-Season Potato and Onion Sets Order Form – 2025/26

Name..... Address

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Telephone.....F.G.A. Membership Number

Please reserve the following packs of Seed Potatoes and Onion sets for me when they are delivered

Orders received by the end of Dec 25 will be telephoned to advise when they are ready for collection.

Number of Packs	Variety	Total Cost
3kg 10 seed		

	“First Earlies”	3 Kg (10)
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.....	Duke of York	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Duke of York (RED)	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Foremost	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Maris Bard	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Pentland Javelin	£5.50 (£2.50)

.....	Rocket(EARLY)	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Swift (VERY EARLY)	£5.50 (£2.50)

	“Second Earlies”	3 Kg (10)
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.....	Acoustic	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Charlotte	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Kestrel	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Marfona	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Wilja	£5.50 (£2.50)

	“Main Crop”	3 Kg (10)
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.....	Cara	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Desiree	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	King Edward	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Maris Piper	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Picasso	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Organic Setanta	£5.50 (£2.50)
.....	Caledonian Rose	£5.50 (£2.50)

"Onion Sets and Shallots"

.....	Red Sun Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£3.50	
.....	Yellow Moon Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£3.50	
.....	Biztro Shallots (0.5 Kg)	£3.50	
.....	Red Baron Onion Sets (0.25 Kg)	£3.00	
.....	Centurion F1 Onion Sets (0.25 Kg)	£3.00	
.....	Sturon Onion Sets (0.5 Kg)	£3.00	
.....	Stuttgarter Onion Sets (0.5 Kg)	£3.00	
.....	Hercules F1 Onion Sets (0.25 Kg)	£3.00	

Total Due £.....

Less Deposit Paid £

(Minimum Deposit 50p per pack)

BALANCE DUE £

For F.G.A. use Telephoned