

GALLATIN GRUBBER

July/August 2023–DRAFT

Market & Garden Update

The cool wet weather of June was perfect for our club garden with our crops doing very well, as did the weeds. But with aggressive efforts on the part of many club members, the weeds are under reasonable control (whatever that is). We will be harvesting more crops as time goes on with sugar snap peas on the near horizon along with some hot peppers, plus cole crops and flowers. We have excellent stands of gladiolas and dahlias plus zinnias coming along, Our regular shelling peas, (variety Green Arrow) are growing well and should be harvestable in about 2-4 weeks.

Green beans may be ready then as well. Carrots and beets are now doing well since we weeded them. Overall, the garden is doing very well and we should have an abundance of produce to sell in the coming weeks. And our tomatoes are doing super in the new hoop house and we have many golfball size green tomatoes on the vine now. Ripe tomatoes by Aug. 1? Perhaps. With the weather moving into the hotter and drier times, we will be irrigating the garden twice a week using our standard drip tape technique. Many thanks to all who have helped in so many ways to make this club garden project a continuing success. Work days will continue to be scheduled on Tuesdays and Fridays. Watch your email for details, and help whenever it suits your schedule!

Annual Potluck Picnic July 10

Please join us on Monday, July 10, for our annual picnic at the lovely home and gardens of Don and Diane Heyden. The social hour will begin at 6 p.m., with dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

What to Bring: Assignments for the potluck dinner are as follows: If your last name begins with A-H, please bring a main dish; if your last name begins with I-L bring a side dish or salad and if your last name begins with M-Z, bring a dessert. Also, bring your own eating utensils and BYOB if you so desire. We will provide tables and chairs, but bring folding lawn chairs if you'd like. This is always a fun occasion and a chance to socialize with many club members. Spouses, significant others, or any other guests you might like to bring are welcome! We will hold this event come rain or shine since the Heydens have the capacity to host us in their double car garage if it rains.



The picnic in Heyden's lovely yard

Directions: Heydens live at 4510 Conestoga Circle. To get there, go south on either Sourdough Road or South 3rd Ave. until you get to Goldenstein Lane. Turn onto Goldenstein and go to Hitching Post Road and turn south. Eventually you will come to Trail Boss Road which heads east. Take it one block until you come to Conestoga Circle and turn north and look for their home on the east side of the road.

Pints for Purpose July 31

Bridger Brewing will once again honor the Gallatin Gardeners Club with a "Pints for Purpose" event on Monday, July 31. Between 5 and 8 p.m., \$1 from every beer sold in the entire bar will be donated to the club. This is a fun way to enjoy a drink (and a meal, if you so choose), socialize with other club members, and painlessly contribute to the club coffers. Bridger Brewing is located on 11th Street upstairs from the T&C Market.