

GALLATIN GRUBBER

June 2022

Garden Report

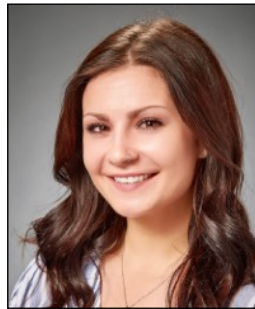
The cool, wet spring weather has put the club garden two to three weeks behind schedule. The main garden was tilled just last week and is now ready for planting which we hope to do this week. We will transplant onions, cole crops, dahlias and sunflowers, and direct seed other crops. In the hoop house and raised beds, things are better. The tomatoes and peppers were transplanted about 10 days ago and are really growing well. The tomatoes were staked up last week and should be in good shape for the rest of the summer. Lettuce and pak choi were transplanted into the raised beds about 10 days ago and the radishes and turnips were seeded last week. This will likely be an interesting growing season for us and we will need lots of volunteer help to keep the garden growing and weeds controlled. Stay tuned to your e-mail for specific times for work parties in the coming weeks

Garden Tour 6/1

On June 1, we will host a tour of the Foxglove Flower Farm west of Bozeman. Meet at the Journey Church parking lot at 3:45 p.m. We'll carpool from there to the farm, which is nearby on Love Lane. The tour will last about an hour. Other tours are planned for later in the summer.

June 6 Mtg: Molly Yurdana

Our June 6 speaker will be Gallatin County's new Agriculture/Horticulture Agent, Molly Yurdana. Molly hails from the foothills of northern California, where she actively participated in FFA, co-owned a swine production, and worked for various agricultural marketing and retail companies. She earned two associate degrees in Ag Business and Ag Sciences/Natural Resources from Butte College in Chico, CA before transferring and later receiving her Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education Extension from Montana State University. Although she is still fairly new to her agent position, she is no stranger to the Gallatin County office as she was first selected as a summer intern in 2020, which led to her former position as the Gallatin County 4-H Program Manager and Assistant to the 4-H Agent. Molly has hit the ground running with site visits, forage inspections, sample analysis, and networking with the Gallatin County community. She plans to bring back many of the historically popular educational programs for local producers and Master Gardeners, as well as offer new learning opportunities for small acreage landowners and youth in agriculture. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Hope Lutheran Church, 19th and Graf in Bozeman.



Molly Yurdana

Rainy Plant Sale Earns \$700

In what may have been the shortest plant and tool sale on record, we weathered the rain and earned over \$700 for the club coffers on May 28. A hardy crew set up at 7 a.m. and sold most of what we had to offer by 9 a.m. when we closed. Thanks for the donations from club members and Kenyon-Noble and Murdoch's and thanks to Ace Hardware for allowing us to host the sale in their parking lot once again.

