

NEW WESTMINSTER COMMUNITY GARDENING SOCIETY

March/April 2019 – SPRING EDITION

SPRING TIPS

- March start: lettuce, cabbage, kale, arugula.
- Don't till your soil too deep when prepping your plot!
- Greens (arugula, baby lettuce, etc.) re-sow every 2-3 weeks.
- April start: beets, carrots, onions, Swiss chard

2019 AGM HIGHLIGHTS

All our gardens had a great 2018 and the reports from garden reps were all positive. It seems as though theft was down in 2018 than it was in 2017.

We had guest speaker Carole Forsythe from Garden Works @ Mandeville come to our AGM. She shared much of her extensive gardening knowledge and brought some items as a Garden Works Pop-Up Shop.

Full AGM minutes will be posted on our website shortly.

Garden Announcements:

City Hall: Excited to start the New Year with over 80% of gardeners returning for our 3rd year at City Hall.

There already looks to be lots of garlic and onions sprouting, and some kale that has survived over the winter.

Mark April 13th on your calendar and be ready to get your hands dirty as our year's soil delivery is coming!

Get the year started off right with some nutrients for your plot.

Simcoe: *With weather like the past few days, gardening dreams are blooming at Simcoe! Soil delivery is scheduled for Saturday April 6th, be sure to come out and help your fellow gardeners spread the love... or dirt!*

At Simcoe, we are also planning for a small work crew to do some repairs to our fence, and getting a team together to work on our donation beds.

Looking forward to another great year of gardening!



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Saint Mary's: 2019 begins for Saint Mary's with new garden coordinators and 5 new gardeners joining them!

Coordinators will be reaching out about soil delivery and with other important information early April about the start of the gardening season. Happy planting!

*Weed regularly, all the time, especially during that first year. –
Carole Forsythe (GardenWorks @ Mandeville)*

SPRING RESOURCES

West Coast Seeds has some exceptional resources that we all rely on when gardening.

Their website is full of helpful articles, and more. Like this [planting chart](#), to show you what to plant and when.

Growing under some shade is a reality of gardening in an urban setting. West Coast Seeds also has a [great guide](#) for plants that thrive in part shade.

FEATURE PHOTO

Thanks, Beth, for sending in this photo of your Simcoe plot last summer 2018. Here's to another year of success for you!

