

# Newsletter

April 2023



Information Session & Registration - May 3, 2023  
Mount Forest Sports Complex



**COMING SOON**  
Garden Layout  
**BIG REVEAL**

All Signed off!!! Land Lease agreement signing between Al & Cathy S. (landowners) & Suzanne T. - Mount Forest Family Health Team (MFFHT)



Get your Garden Spot now!

Follow this link to the Garden Registration Form or to Volunteer.



## Committee Updates

### Down to Earth

The photo to the left shows the current conditions of the garden site now that the snow is gone. Planning the layout of the garden beds is well underway and through some one-time funding, the MFFHT has been able to rent a storage locker adjacent to the garden site. Donated sign-blanks were the first deposits into the storage locker.

### Leadership

The Leadership Committee has finalized a [Community Garden User Agreement](#) and [Application forms](#). These are now available on our web page!

### Community Engagement

The CEC is looking for your feedback on how you want to use the MFCG. [Follow this link to complete a survey](#). The results of the survey will help in planning activities in the garden and what amenities to make available.

### Financial Planters

Several donations have already been received to use as the "Seed" money for the initial projects and facilities that are needed right away. There is also work underway for grant applications.

MFCG has been busy this month, spreading the word at two community events!

Wellington North Volunteer & Newcomer Celebration  
Thursday, April 20, 2023  
Arthur



Lions' Spring Craft Market  
Saturday, April 22, 2023  
Mount Forest



Thank you to Wellington North and the Mount Forest Lions Club for these opportunities!



**Mission:**  
A space for residents of Wellington North to grow food, learn and connect through gardening



Joe Wettlauffer & Janet Johnson place the first donated item into the storage locker.



### Financial Planters

Tues, April 25 - 7:00pm (CSMC)

### Down to Earth

Wed, Apr 26 - 4:30pm (at Garden Site)

### Public Info & Garden Plot Registration Night

Wed, May 3-6pm MF Sports Complex

### Community Engagement

Tues, May 9 - 6:00pm (CSMC)

## What's your Volunteering Style?

- *Worker Bee* - When many hands are required to do a big job, worker bees will come together to tackle it on mass. eg. laying down mulch on garden paths.
- *Community Grower* - Tend to the Community Plots that grow food for the local food banks and other common garden spaces.
- *W3 - Weed, Water and Wander* - Weed common pathways, pump water between rain reservoirs, and check on tools and supplies.
- *Guardian of the Garden* - Volunteers routinely walk through the garden, either early morning or evening, to maintain regular presence and deter unwanted activity.
- *Offer your gardening experience* - Draft helpful written guides or video segments to use as educational tools.
- *Garden Buddy* - work alongside new gardeners or gardeners who require some assistance to share your knowledge, abilities and skills.
- *Join a Committee* to contribute to the organization of the garden project. Committee descriptions can be downloaded [here](#).
- *Donate* - items for the garden or financially, to support costs of building/operating the garden.

To sign-up for volunteering - email the Community Engagement Committee, or complete the [Garden Application Form](#).

## Want to donate? Tools, seeds, funds? Check out our Wishlist!

### Mount Forest Community Garden

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