



ABC Garden Group

Meeting/Event Schedule

January, 2013 - December, 2013

Anyone with an interest in any type of gardening is invited to join the ABC Garden Group at the Athol Library on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The only requirements are an interest in gardening and respect for your fellow gardeners.

At each meeting, you are encouraged to “show and tell.” Share your latest and greatest or oldest and dearest gardening tool, book or gadget or your favorite plant; you name it!

The following is a schedule of our meetings with topics where available. The schedule will be revised as meeting topics are finalized. Please contact Marrion Banks at marrion.banks@hughes.net or at 755-8168 if you would like to present a gardening topic at one of our meetings.

January 3

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

“Bio-Dynamic/Bio-Intensive Gardening” - John Bobak
John will be sharing his experience and his passion for bio-dynamic and bio-intensive gardening with this first meeting of 2013.

February 7

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

Growing Garlic in North Idaho - Carol Bandi
Love garlic but frustrated trying to grow it in our challenging microclimates? Join us as Carol shares her experiences and recommendations for garlic success.

March 7

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

“Orchids - Growing and Appreciating Them” - Marlys Gregg
Marlys and her husband, Steve, are orchid enthusiasts and blue ribbon winners at the 2012 Spokane Orchid Society show. Marlys is planning to share her lovely plants with us as well as help us learn how to care for them.

April 4

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

“April Flowers” - Jeanne Duffner

Jeanne was a successful cut flower market gardener for many years and will be sharing her expertise both in raising flowers and in conditioning cut flowers to last.

We would like to incorporate a garden tour into the first half of our May, June, July, August, and September meetings. If you're interested in sharing your garden with our group, please contact Marrion Banks to volunteer!

May 2

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Garden Tour/Regular Get Together

“Making a Living Centerpiece” - Dinah Raye Smith

Dinah Raye is a floral designer by trade (and owner of Here We Grow Again greenhouse and nursery) and has offered to give us a class on creating living wreaths/centerpieces. A sign-up sheet and list of supplies for the class will be emailed separately.

June 6

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Garden Tour/Regular Get Together

Janet Benoit's garden tour and native plant walk.

Join Janet and learn more about native plants as you stroll about her lovely home grounds. In addition to native plants, Janet will also talk to us about incorporating mosses into our gardens and landscapes.

July 11*

6:30-8:30 p.m.

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TBD

*** Note: Our July get together is scheduled for the second Thursday of July rather than the first Thursday in order to avoid 4th of July holiday issues.**

August 1

6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Garden Tour/Regular Get Together

Vern's Veggies and More Farm/Garden Tour

Vern and Amy Spencer have invited our group to tour their Cocolalla farm where they raise a wide variety of vegetables for sale at the Sandpoint Farmers Market and the Six Rivers Market. Meeting topic to be determined.

September 5
6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Garden Tour/Regular Get Together

Waterfowl Farm Garden Tour

The ABC Garden Group is invited to a garden party/tour at Waterfowl Farm (home of Allen and Marrion Banks). In addition to touring the gardens, you'll get a chance to meeting the sheep, the horse and the various fowl that are part of the Waterfowl Farm family. Meeting topic to be determined.

October 3
6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

TBD

November 7
6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - Regular Get Together

TBD

December 5
6:30-8:30 p.m.

ABC Garden Group - December Potluck Party

Join the ABC Garden Group at Jeanne and Al Sliva's lovely Bayview home for a tasty potluck, laughs and fellowship as we close out the 2013 gardening year.

