

Welcome to the Pleasant Valley Community Garden!

6161 Pleasant Valley Road Pleasant Valley Church of God

Location

The Garden is located at 6161 Pleasant Valley Road (1km north of Butcher Boys) at the Pleasant Valley Church of God. It is in a lovely rural setting on land donated for community use by the church. Park in the parking lot - you will see the boxes on the northeast end.

Background

The Pleasant Valley Church of God came forward with the idea of donating their land for the production of food for donation. Around this time a series of community workshops with Mel Bartholomew, inventor of the Square Foot Gardening method had been conducted and received with great enthusiasm. Dave Weatherill of Briteland was one of the sponsors. He is also a Rotarian, and proposed that the Silver Star Rotarians sponsor the building of 100 Square Foot Gardens in time for the World Wide Rotarians at Work Day on April 25th 2009. This was supported, and through the efforts of the various rotary clubs, a host of community groups and individuals, the garden was built in a morning!



Amenities

Each \$8 fee will supply you with a 4x4 square foot garden. Due to gardener feedback from 2009, the beds have all been doubled in depth to 12". This will help facilitate a variety of crops. A water tap, some buckets, picnic tables, a portapotty, hoses, and a bulletin board will be provided for the gardeners. Individually owned watering cans can also be used, but the church is not liable for any theft, so items are left at your own risk. A composting area is soon to be established. There are now 64 beds in total.

Any additional growing structures or implements are to be supplied at the gardener's expense. Trellises are helpful for training vine plants or as support for tomatoes. You will be surprised at how much food you can produce from these beds!

How do I get an allotment?

Registration for new gardeners begins in January of the preceding spring start-up. Any available allotments are distributed on a first come first serve basis. You must register in person at the Recreation Centre front desk. Prior to start up, gardeners are required to attend an orientation - usually the first Saturday in April. Information will be available upon sign-up. Forms can be downloaded from www.greaternonrecreation.ca

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