

## Community Garden News – Lots of people ... and some rain...



It was exciting to arrive at the Community Garden on Saturday to set up for the open day and find that the first of our tomatoes had started to turn red. Our garden had definitely decided to put on a fine show for our visitors.

There were lots of interested visitors to the seven gardens that were open for the first Kyneton Transition Hub Edible Gardens Open Day. The feedback was very positive with comments about how much they were able to learn and the great variety of gardens open. And all our hosts had fun too.



There were visitors from Melbourne, Ballarat, Castlemaine, Bendigo and beyond, and lots of locals. Many combined their visit with seeing the Lost Trades Fair.



At the Community Garden there was a lot of interest in how the garden is organised, wicking beds, native bee hotels, the chooks and especially their feeders ('Grandpa feeders' that keep out rodents and sparrows). The day finished with a good downpour while we were packing up.

On Tuesday morning we had some visitors from St Luke's who wanted to see what we did and explore how they might like to be involved. Perhaps some of them will come along to our regular Tuesday morning sessions and workshops, or we may look at something different for them.

We had a lot more produce to pick on Tuesday including our large funny shaped tomato, a variety of other tomatoes, cucumber and zucchini.

Mr Forbes' VCAL students are getting ready to put in new posts to make the compost bays higher, and to build a holding bay between the compost bays and the gate. When the work is finished behind the year 9 complex we will be able to get more dirt delivered so we can finish off the remaining wicking beds and get them planted.



As the Community Garden activities are all coordinated by Kyneton Transition Hub please direct any enquiries to [kynetonth@gmail.com](mailto:kynetonth@gmail.com) or phone Julie 5422 3023. Join us any Tuesday from 9.30 am or third Saturday of the month between 2 and 4 pm. Workshops are held on the second Tuesday of the month at the usual time.