

# Ilkley Gardeners' Association

The Association was founded in 1967 and held its first AGM in November of that year.

## **Object**

To promote and foster the practice and enjoyment of all aspects of Gardening:- i.e. the growing and care of flowers, fruits, vegetables and houseplants, and the maintenance and presentation of gardens and allotments.

Membership is open to all, and the subscription covers all adults and children at one address.

To attain the objects of the Association the activities of the Association are as follows:

- 1. A meeting** is held every month on the first Thursday of the month, in the evening starting at 7.45pm at the Ilkley Parish Church House Hall. The A.G.M. followed by a Guest Speaker starts the year and is held at the March meeting and a Plant Auction Sale forms the May meeting (free admission).  
At the other eight meetings a speaker is engaged to talk on an aspect of gardening in all its ramifications, and most talks are illustrated by slides or a demonstration. Some talks also include plants for sale by the speakers. A cup of tea and biscuit is provide at the start of the meeting. (Excluding May Plant Auction – free entry)

There is no meeting held in January or February.

- 2. A Stores Hut** is operated at which fertilizers, a range of Bark products, composts, garden sundries etc., are available for purchase, by Members only, at advantageous prices. The Stores Hut is opened during the season weekly from March to May on Sunday mornings from 10.00am until 12.00 noon and then fortnightly in June, then once a month until, and including, November (Always the Sunday following the first Thursday).

The Stores Hut is situated at the bottom of the track, leading to Leeds Road allotments, which runs to the North beside the Riverside Business Park, opposite Ashlands School on Leeds Road.

- 3. Newsletter.** The Association has a Newsletter sent out in January/February to all paid up members where the Committee try to keep Members up to date on points of interest and offers.

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Details of the Association and what it offers may also be found at [www.ilkleygardeners.org.uk](http://www.ilkleygardeners.org.uk) on the Internet. An occasional email newsletter is sent out, again which can be subscribed to via the website. Details and images from past trips and meetings can also be found online at the Gardeners' photo gallery.

All Members are encouraged to participate in the operation of the Association by assisting in manning the Stores Hut on Sundays and in joining the rota of helpers to serve tea and biscuits at the monthly meetings. Even one volunteer who does one or two duties at the sheds helps spread the load.

Family Membership at the present time is £7.00 per annum.

There is also a charge of £1 per head (£2 non-members) at the monthly meetings which includes tea and biscuit.

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## Membership Application Form ILKLEY GARDENERS ASSOCIATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send to IGA Membership Secretary, 46 Kings Road, Ilkley, LS29 9AT with your cheque (made out to IGA) and a Stamped Addressed Envelope for return of your Membership Card. Thank you.

Your e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional:** How did you learn of us? Word of Mouth/Meeting Poster/Gazette Meeting Report/Sheds Notice Board