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The National Allotment Society

Your October Checklist



Dear MEMBER

Autumn is in full swing, and it's a time to enjoy the fruits of your labour while getting ready for the colder months ahead. From gathering bumper crops of apples, pears, and late-season vegetables to sowing garlic and preparing soil for next year, October is all about making the most of the season's abundance.

Read on for your **October to-do list** and top tips to keep your plot productive, tidy, and thriving through autumn and winter.

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Exciting news – our very first National Allotment Society calendar and Christmas cards are here!



Thanks to the amazing photos from our National Allotments Week competition, we didn't want them to go to waste. We've turned them into a beautiful 2026 calendar, featuring **a different stunning image for each month**, available for just **£9.50**.

And add some festive cheer with our **fun Christmas cards**! Each card features the inside greeting:

"Blooming wishes for a joyful Christmas and a fruitful New Year."

Packs of ten are just **£6.99**.

But hurry – stocks are very limited! We have only **100 calendars** and **50 packs of cards** available. To order, email us and we'll send you an invoice. Don't miss out!

[Yes I would like to order](#)

Could You Be Our New President?



Are you an allotment holder with a passion for growing and community? The NAS is looking for a President to represent members, champion allotments, and help shape the future of our movement across the UK and beyond.

As President, you'll:

- ✦ Promote allotments nationally and internationally
- ✦ Represent NAS to partners, policymakers, and the public
- ✦ Support campaigns and respond to national issues
- ✦ Attend events, AGMs, and regional meetings

✨ Share updates with the Management Committee

We're looking for someone who:

- ✓ Grows on their allotment and loves the plot life
- ✓ Has experience in committees or local societies
- ✓ Communicates confidently and inspires others

This is a voluntary role with **huge influence and impact**. If you're ready to champion allotments, we'd love to hear from you!

[Volunteer Here](#)

Special Offer



Garlic Collection Offer 2025

7 varieties for just £26.75 Item Code: 231628



Unsure which garlic varieties to try? Grow 7 different types with this collection. Includes:

2 x Cloves of Elephant Garlic

1 x Bulb of Carcassonne Wight (Hardneck)

- 1 x Bulb of Caulk Wight (Hardneck)
- 1 x Bulb of Kingsland Wight (Hardneck)
- 1 x Bulb of Solent Wight (Softneck)
- 1 x Bulb of Mersley Wight (Softneck)
- 1 x Bulb of Rhapsody Wight (Softneck)

All for just £26.75. Delivery from mid-October.

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It's a Wrap!



We're proud to support **Deadheading**, a thrilling short film featuring a phenomenal cast including Stephanie Fayerman (Dreamland, Call the Midwife), Kevin McNally (Pirates of the Caribbean, The Crown), and Rachel Atkins (Chernobyl, Disclaimer). The story follows an elderly woman who'll stop at nothing to fulfil her dying husband's dream of owning a garden plot – even if it means a little... pruning. Filming has just wrapped on a beautiful Birmingham allotment – watch this space for more!

Did you know you can buy a Magazine Subscription?



Did you know you can have a magazine delivered straight to your door? *The Allotment and Leisure Gardener* magazine is published four times a year, and each association receives copies to share with its members.

But if you'd like your very own personal copy, you can take out a members' magazine subscription for just £10, or £15 for non-members. Be sure to act quickly, as prices will increase in January to £12.50 for members and £18 for non-members.

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In Case You Missed Our October Blogs

If you missed any of our October blogs, you can catch up now! We've gathered some of the highlights for you. To explore all of them, head over to our News section. Happy reading!

Drought-Proofing Your Allotment



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Living with Badgers on the Allotment



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From Plot to Packet: Seed Saving



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How Many Words Can You Find?

H	R	P	L	E	S
A	N	D	T	O	U
G	B	I	C	M	E
V	E	S	R	A	T
L	K	W	D	N	Y
O	Q	U	F	H	I

For a bit of light relief, why not try our allotment-themed word search? How many words can you find in the grid? We've hidden around 25 words related to life on the plot—from tools and plants to tips for a thriving garden. Grab a pencil, have a look, and see how many you can spot—perfect for a little fun between gardening tasks!

A Quick Reminder

Remember, you can log into the members' area to update your details, read our magazine, see the latest news, and much more.

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