

Resources

Dr Compost - links

Related to our composting events, here are some links to resources/reading you may find useful.

Practical resources

CAG Devon: check out our groups and their events, access how-to guides and other resources at: www.cagdevon.org.uk

Sign up to our <u>newsletter</u> for info about events, training and news about what our groups are up to.

Connect with us on <u>facebook</u> and <u>twitter</u> for latest news and happenings.

Recycle Devon: check out their composting pages: In the Garden - Recycle Devon

School resources for composting, including the 'Compost Curriculum', can be found at: Composting-Zone (recycledevon.org)

Gardeniser – programme run through Social Farms & Gardens

Gardeniser = "Garden Organiser" - A key organisational role within community gardens, farms and growing spaces that requires a unique combination of skills.

Gardeniser is a large, multi-partner European training programme funded by Erasmus+ that aims to recognise and upskill Gardenisers across Europe through a training programme using the European Credit System for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET). Nicky helped put together the Gardeniser manual with other from around Europe. "The programme is great and it can be a really good way to get community action going".

You can also join for Social Farms and Gardens for free and receive their newsletter.

Reading – recommended by Dr Compost, aka Nicky Scott

Wild about weeds, garden design with rebel plants, Jack Wallington

"'Wild about Weeds' sensibly distinguishes between the under-appreciated plants that conjure life into our gardens, and those potentially invasive species that are undesirable for good reason." Jonathan Drori CBE, author of *Around the World in 80 Trees*

Not all weeds are ugly uncontrollable brutes. Yes, they can be difficult and intimidating, but by learning how to grow weeds in unexpected ways you will become a better gardener with a more interesting garden.

This book profiles over 50 weeds and shows you surprising ways to grow them, no matter what your garden type: from borders to boxes, sunny to shady, poor soil to rich, tropical to formal, Japanese-style to prairies. With interviews, tips and advice from celebrated gardeners, learn how to let weeds flourish without taking control.

Wild about Weeds is the must-have guide for modern gardeners that explains how to tame and nurture the most challenging of plants.

Garden Awakening: Designs to Nurture Our Land and Ourselves, Mary Reynolds

Guides readers with designing and caring for gardens that have the look and feel of wild places while incorporating sustainable living.

Mary Reynolds is the youngest woman to win a gold medal at the Chelsea Flower Show. She is an Irish garden and landscape designer, famous for her wild gardens at Kew Royal Botanical Gardens in London and worldwide. Her life has been the inspiration for a film: Dare to be Wild.

Mary Reynolds' website/blog: https://marymary.ie/

Figure 1: Dr Compost at SusBishop

Figure 2: the magic ingredient to any event

