

## **BLG Newsletter for Week of February 2, 2026**

**Thank You** – to the attentive group of seven seasoned volunteers who took advantage of the review session on seeding

-to those who brought small “yogurt” containers or 2 litre pop bottles (I think we have enough for a while)

- to Les for building a wooden box mounted on a wheelbarrow for our new soil-mixing set-up
- and thank you to Lisa who helped Pat mount “weather-stripping” at bottom of clubhouse door...which unfortunately did not work; rainwater still soaking into floor inside door:(
- and to someone who left a few measuring cups and a strainer with the plastic bags they also brought

**Still Wanted** – your excess flower seeds for use in making Seed Bombs for the Beban Park 50th Anniversary February 16!

**Beban Pk. Birthday Celebration** – There will be a sign-up for volunteers on the clubhouse table for those who are able to lend a hand with BLG activities on Mon., Feb. 16, probably from 10:30 to 1:00. Sandra is hoping to set up a scavenger hunt and would appreciate some specific help with that ahead of time. Please let Pat, Lisa, or Sandra know if you are interested in that or note it on the sign-up.

**Membership Dues** – Just a reminder that if you pay your dues by e-transfer, you still need to fill out a form. There are blank forms to be found in the envelope hanging on a hook below tack-board in clubhouse. For those who have submitted both form and fees, you will find your membership cards below the calendar on same board.

**Introduction to BLG Seeding Procedures** – There are relatively new volunteers who are hopefully planning to help with seeding...there is always a lot of it to do between now and the end of April. In order to be prepared, there is the manual which you will find on the website using the same link as that used to get to newsletters. Another good strategy, if you are not certain what to do, is to buddy up with someone else doing that job. We will make sure there are “seasoned seeders” ready and willing to buddy up with.

Sometime next month there will be a session about transplanting.

**Soup and Mason Bees** – Apparently the two presenters of the talk and demo on mason bees (Jay & Rose) will be providing pots of soup! Sandra has mentioned bringing home-made

gluten-free buns, and Lisa says there is a cabbage at BLG just right to harvest for making coleslaw. Perhaps two volunteers could volunteer to take home half a cabbage each (on either Wed., Feb. 11, or Mon., February 16), and make up a salad to bring. (Let Lisa or Pat know if you would like to do that.)

### Our January King Cabbage



### Dates to Remember -

**Mon., February 2 from 12-2pm: seed-stuffing at North Nanaimo Library ...CANCELLED.**

Wed., Feb. 11 – at reg WP: Intro./Review of transplanting procedures

Mon., Feb. 16 – Beban Park's 50th Birthday celebration (10:30 to 1pm for BLG 'ers)

Wed., Feb. 18 – 12 - 1pm Soup in the greenhouse and a Mason bee talk/demo with Rose McCully and Jay

Thurs., Feb. 26 - 4 to 5:30 – regular NCGS Board Meeting – at Food Share

Sun., March 1 – Seedy Sunday in Nanaimo

Sun., March 8 – Daylight Savings time begins

Mon., March 9 – Monday workparties start up again from 4pm to 6pm

Sat., March 14 – Saturday workparties start up again from 10 to noon

Sat., Apr.25, May 9, May 23 – Spring Plant Sales