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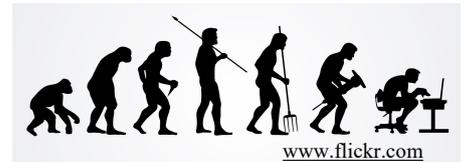
NEWSLETTER

October 2019

October is a very busy month for everyone on the farm, in the garden and on the vineyard. Tractors are going up and down the rows— preparing the soils for new plantings of beneficial mixes. Helicopters have been going most of last night trying to fight off the frost and it's damage on young vines. Paddocks are being prepared for spring/ summer crops where possible, and most gardeners are out and about every free minute getting the garden organised and set up for a great crop in the following months.

The local newspaper had a story about NMIT Blenheim and a new course called 'Healing Horticulture', which is being offered to people suffering depression, with no fee involved. Places are limited. What a great initiative.

Being outside, getting your hands and knees dirty has lots of health benefits. Hanging out in front of the tv/ computer under artificial light bulbs day and night doesn't seem natural at all and can cause heaps of issues not just depression, especially with young people.



I can only suggest to everyone to go out whenever possible and start straightening up again. Now is the time when plants want to grow and even with two left hands something should grow. Try different veggies or flowers, talk to the people that sell the seeds/ seedlings on how to, if you haven't done it before.

Regards Maren

Manage your lawn:

Regular lawn Seed: Elite traditional lawn blend, soft, fine and tidy.

Hardy lawn Seed: Drought tolerant, premium wear resistant, dark green colour.

Superfine Lawn Seed: Extra fine, low maintenance, ideal ornamental lawn, good colour retention over cooler months.

Check with Bruce or Maren for an alternative Lawn option on sandy, very free draining soils.

Lawn care:

Fertilize the lawn: Feeding is an important part of your maintenance program. Lawns need frequent feeding.

Grass Grub: Grass grub adults emerge in October and are active until December. Each female beetle can lay 100 or more eggs in just a month. Sprinkle Neem granules around December when grubs are hatching.

Herbicide: Different products in stock.

Red thread: When the disease strikes you will see distinct red threads in the grass areas affected. This shows-up a nitrogen deficiency.

Moss: The presence of moss, slime, algae and liverworts is of due of a poor drainage.

Iron Sulphate is the moss killer you are looking for., gypsum applications will improve the drainage.

Also available Pasture Grass Mixes:

FUTURE FEEDS CHAFF AVAILABLE IN STORE

Timothy chaff

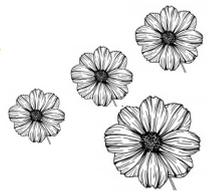
The perfect Chaff for animals who don't require the high levels of protein which is in Lucerne. Timothy Chaff is fantastic for premium race horses through to your ailing Alpaca.

Lucerne chaff

Future feeds Lucerne is carefully baled to maximum leaf retention. Lucerne provides up to 20% protein value, so if your stock are working hard future feeds premium chaff will provide them with all their daily energy requirements.



Future Feeds



Wildflowers for Marlborough blended here at Kiwi Seed

Wildflowers have the power to turn the most ugliest piece of land into a beautiful magical scenery. Size of area doesn't matter, small or large. By sowing wildflowers you are providing bees and other beneficial insects a much needed place to live that not only looks good but feels great.

Buying small veggie plants from the nursery can be helpful especially when you haven't been able to start your own seedlings early spring.

Generally sowing your own seeds is far cheaper and you can decide how many plants you require and when you want to harvest your fresh produce – you may not need 6 cauliflowers that are all ready for harvest at the same time.

Do another round of seeding and get some more fresh veggies later in the season. When they are big enough for planting out into the garden remember to rotate the crop, to avoid disease build up. Check our newsletter from October 2017, available on our website www.Kiwiseed.co.nz for reference.

We carry a good range of seed raising mixes and small packets of veggie seeds here at our shop.



KINPACK Sheep manure natural soil conditioner

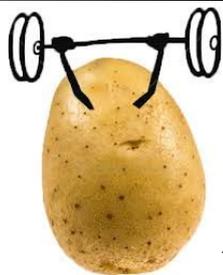
Offering a natural source of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium

- Add to compost to accelerate decomposition, microbial and worm activity.
- Use as liquid fertiliser on all gardens and is a good stimulant for all plants.

Tip: Place KINPACK in a bucket or drum, (NOTE: The strength of the liquid manure depends largely on the ratio of manure to water and the size of your container). Suggested: 1kg of KINPACK to 10 litres of water. Adjust to suit your requirements. Leave the liquid in your container for a few days, stir regularly, then apply as required.



- Add straight to the garden 1- 3 kg/sqm (poorer soils require greater rate), lightly water before digging in.



Potatoes provide a significant amount of vitamin B6 as well as niacin (B3), folate (B9) and choline (B4), the last of which boosts brain function.

There are plenty of recipe ideas available to keep spuds an interesting ingredient of your meals.

“Try them, try them and you may, I say.” (Dr. Suess)

Potato Fertiliser and Seed Potatoes

Buy 1 or many

Old fashion favourites and some new varieties for you to try. at very competitive prices.

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