

You should all know by now I'm a compost geek! Still trial and erroring...a new addition being comfrey pellets, new in the sense that I can now have comfrey all year round and not seasonal. The worms are helped out by me smashing 'em up with a lump hammer

Monday for me is composting day, and wood ash is another addition this is also top dressed on all my raised beds



Bio-char from the wood ash, trialling this as well...the worms will tell me if they don't like it, used in moderation mixed with other ingredients usually works!



My exhibition and pickling shallots having a spray of bac-off from shield



My strawberry plants are also getting a spray, bac-off kills bacteria and mould, tried this last year on my peas and it works (mildew).



All my baddies (insecticides and so on) have been given away, all the shield products are essential oil based, meaning natural...that'll do me as I want good soil as well, so run off from these in the soil will do no harm what so ever

My strawberry plants are also cleared of old leaves and any fruit that shows. Had these plants just before xmas, they will fruit early September for our show. These go outside once the frost has legged it!



Also trialling these for my compost, wanted nettle pellets (eBay ran out!), these pellets have grass, dandelion, nettle, lemon balm and lucerne extract



My old flags on the plot have seen better days



Look at that, brill!



Alfalfa hay; another trial...pellets now available online so going for them next time



What did Santa bring me? New flags...had these off Ben our eldest, better than cufflinks or handkerchiefs!



Just sown my onion seed! Using Bio Char's Grochar seed compost, trialled this a few years ago, the dogs! It's got to be as its made from Bio-char, mycorrhizal fungi, seaweed and worm casts. All good ingredients. This is mixed with Erin multi-purpose compost. Also added is charge (Beetle frass), all mixed well and kept at greenhouse temperature



My growing cabinet is in the loft

For the heavies I'm using Peter Glazebrook's seed



All my trays are covered in vermiculite and watered with tepid rain water

All onion seed sown; heavies, show and 8oz, water in propagator with trays then lid on

