

Timely Turf Tips

June 2013

Time to Plant! Last month's global weirdness gave us measurable snow, a sunny 93° day, warm rain and frosty mornings. Basically winter, spring, summer and fall all in one month. It also brought copious amounts of pollen as the tree bloom exploded all at the same time due to holding back during the cold. June should bring consistently summery days, warming the soil to plant tomatoes, cucumbers, summer squash, beans, corn and peppers. These crops prefer a minimum soil temperature of 60° with air temperatures 70° - 80°. Warm the soil with black plastic or black fiber mulch.

So Much To Do, So Little Nice Weather

- Pruning shrubs, such as forsythias, azaleas and lilacs, should be done after they're through blooming.
- Dig out any tulips or other spring bulbs that failed to bloom well; they're not likely to grow stronger.
- Pinch back Shasta Daisy, Beebalm, Garden Phlox and Obedient Plants to control height and bloom.
- Thin radishes, lettuce, spinach to the strongest plant and give the developing seedlings room to grow. Many times on the seed packet you will see something like 'sow seeds 1/4 inch apart and thin to 2 inches apart after the first true leaves appear'.
- Run out of room in your garden or straw bale garden for your peppers and tomatoes? We have a solution! Peppers and tomatoes do well in pots! We have a variety of pots – 12", 14", self watering, smart pots, Earthbox, and raised fabric beds. Hugo Feed Mill and Hardware also carries everything you'll need to keep your garden growing this summer, from fertilizer to watering cans. See coupons below for your free pepper picked out by Steve a.k.a Dr Pepper, and don't forget about the pots to grow them in! Check out these links for ideas on how to grow plants in the Earthbox and smart pots: <http://earthbox.com/> and <http://www.smartpots.com/>.
- Mulch gardens late this month after the soil has warmed to reduce weeds and retain moisture.
- Have you ever wanted to win a largest pumpkin contest? If so, stop in and purchase your Monster Pumpkin plants for our pumpkin growing contest! 1st place wins a \$50 gift certificate! Don't miss out on this great opportunity as supplies are limited.



June Lawn Care late start

- Spray Weed Free Zone or Speedzone on creeping charlie, clover, dandelions and thistle now! Both products become rain-fast in 4 hrs and allow for reseeded within 2 weeks of application.
- Need to re-seed? We have everything you need to patch your lawn after this long winter: site specific grass seed, spreaders, fertilizer and advice!

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