

FEBRUARY GARDEN TIPS

FRUIT TREES AND ROSES - This may be the last chance to get ahead of disease on your roses and fruit trees. Use Horticultural Oil and Liquid Copper to clean up before bud breaks.

LAWNS – Later this month apply organic based fertilizer. Get the lawn growing to keep out those pesky weeds.

PRUNING – Time to prune those roses, deciduous shrubs, summer-blooming shrubs and trees and fruit trees. It is also time to prune and train trailing berries, cane berries and grapes.

VEGETABLE GARDENS – Spade in some organic matter such as compost. Time to plant asparagus, onions, sow peas, favas and spinach. Get ready to start those vegetables for planting next month. You can sow cole crops such as cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and Brussels sprouts into flat trays for planting out next month. Use a soil thermometer to see when it's alright to sow outdoors.

PLANTING – It's time to plant those bare root fruit trees and roses. You can can do transplanting now of those larger shrubs.