

# Dear John:



John Deere Answers Your Lawn and Garden Woes

## Garden Game Plan

**Dear John: I'd like to take a jump shot at vegetable gardening, but I'm not sure how to score points. What should I do first?**

**Dear Hot Shot:** Make sure you have a full-court garden strategy before you start putting holes in

the ground. Take a few time-outs to find a place in your yard with good drainage and full sun, or at least 8 to 10 hours of direct sunlight a day.

The ball's in your court as to how many vegetables you want to

plant and maintain. Study seed catalogs and make a list of the vegetables you like, and contact your local nursery for information on planting, and whether to start with seeds or transplants.

Mark the perimeter of the new seedbed and remove grass from the area. Cover the seedbed with organic matter like peat moss, compost or manure, and with about 1½ pounds of 10-10-10 fertilizer for every 10 square meters of garden area. Then till in organic matter and fertilizer 15 to 20 cm deep.

Use stakes and string to make straight rows, and plant seeds at a

depth of no more than three times their diameter. Cover the seeds and firm the soil to prevent rain from washing them away. Then water gently and wait for your backyard to give you a vegetable garden advantage.

**Dear John: I want to do a time and motion study for feeding my lawn. When's the best time to fertilize and how much should I apply?**

**Dear Efficiency Aficionado:** Fertilizing the lawn should be at the top of a homeowner's "to do" list each spring.

A late spring feeding replenishes the nutrients used in the first

flush of growth. A fall feeding is also important because it gives the lawn a chance to store food that will help it survive the winter months and get off to a good start next spring.

When fertilizing, always be sure to follow the directions for usage listed on the bag's label. In general, use a fertilizer with at least a 3-1-2 ratio of nitrogen to phosphorus to potassium, and apply one pound of actual nitrogen for every 100 square meters of lawn.

**Dear John: I want only the best for my flower garden. How can I keep its soil in great planting condition?**

**Dear Mothering Nature:** To make your soil the best it can be, add organic matter such as peat moss, sawdust, manure or compost in the spring and fall. Organic matter will loosen the soil and create large pores for better air, water and drainage capacity. In the spring, spread a thin 2.5 cm layer of organic matter over the soil (don't till it in), and in the fall, spread organic matter about 5 to 10 cm thick.

### FISHERIES MANAGEMENT PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT

The planning process of the Geraldton District Fisheries Management Plan (1988 - 2000) is at the second stage of public review. We view the development of this plan as a partnership with you, the public.

You are invited to participate by reviewing the Draft Plan, and by providing us with your comments. Open houses and questionnaires have been prepared to assist you in the review process. Please accept this as an invitation to attend one or more of the three scheduled **OPEN HOUSES** which will initiate the Public Review of the Draft Plan. Public input will be reviewed and analyzed, and used in the preparation of the Final Plan.

#### OPEN HOUSES

Community	Location	Date	Time
Geraldton	Canadian Legion	Tuesday, May 10	6 pm - 9 pm
Nakina	Recreation Complex	Wednesday, May 11	6 pm - 9 pm
Longlac	Community Centre	Thursday, May 12	6pm - 9 pm

If you would like more information, please contact:



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### GESTION DES PECHEES

#### TRAVAILLONS ENSEMBLE

Le processus de planification du Plan de gestion des pêches du district de Geraldton (1988 - 2000) en est à sa deuxième étape d'examen public. La gestion des ressources nous tient tous à coeur, alors **travaillons ensemble!**

Nous vous invitons à participer au processus de gestion en examinant le Plan et en nous soumettant vos commentaires. Des journées d'accueil et des questionnaires ont été prévus pour vous aider à cet effet. Nous vous invitons donc à assister à l'une des trois JOURNEES D'ACCUEIL au cours desquelles vous pourrez examiner le contenu du Plan-provisoire. Les commentaires recueillis seront utilisés lors de la préparation du Plan final.

#### JOURNEES D'ACCUEIL

Localité	Endroit	Date	Heure
Geraldton	Légion canadienne	le mardi 10 mai	18 h à 21 h
Nakina	Complexe récréatif	le mercredi 11 mai	18 h à 21 h
Longlac	Centre communautaire	le jeudi 12 mai	18 h à 21 h

Pour de plus amples renseignements, communiquez avec le :



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