

## The month of the rose

October is undoubtedly the month of the rose. Feed regularly and remove faded blooms.

Check for aphids and black spot.



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## Garden Watch

### The Lawn caterpillar



Lawn caterpillars, are greenish-brown in colour, living just below the soil surface in the lawns. They are the "the bad guys of the underworld". Feeding on blades of grass, causing yellow patches.

## Keeping busy this spring IN THE GARDEN

Continue to feed and deadhead your roses to encourage for new growth. If you have fuchsias, Salvia's or Geraniums in your garden remember to pinch out growing tips every third week and feed with 3.1.5.

Add a exotic touch to your garden this summer by planting gorgeous Alstroemerias (Inca Lilies). Due to their long flowering time, they bring colour to your garden for months on end. Making wonderful cut flowers, these beauties are both disease and pest free! However, do remember to feed regularly with 3.1.5.

### New Stunner

Comprosmia "Tequila Sunrise" is a new medium evergreen shrub with ting glossy variegated leaves that change colour through the season. It has a beautiful apricot glow with specks of green and yellow.

Comprosmia, loves a sunny position, but will also tolerate semi shade. (Also makes a great hedge)



*Alstroemeria aurea*

### For The Kitchen Gardener:

- Feed green peppers regularly and keep well watered to ensure they produce crisp tasty fruit. If you are planting, parsley seeds - refrigerate for two days before planting this will help to speed up the germination.
- To stop the birds from attacking your vegetables and fruit trees, hang old CD's from a tree or position a pole in the veggie garden and hand a CD from the pole – the twirling and reflection of the CD's will deter them for sure!

## Tip of the month

Do not throw away banana skins, chop them up and place them around your roses. The skins are full of potassium and most beneficial.



## OUR NEXT MEETING

**Date:** 11th October 2014.  
**Time:** 1:30pm for 2:00pm.  
**Venue:** Lifestyle Lecture Hall.  
**Speaker:** Charles of Hadeco.  
**Topic:** All you need to know about growing bulbs.