

OGI Growers Conference

The Organic Growers of Ireland (OGI)

will host a one day conference

on

Monday, 22nd November, 2010

at the

Kilcormac Development Assoc. Hall, Kilcormac, Co. Offaly.

(on N52 main road between Birr and Tullamore, Co. Offaly)

From 10am - 4pm

PROGRAMME

- 10.00** Arrival and refreshments
- 10.30** Organic seed varieties and the potential for commercial production.
Peter Bourke, Head Gardener, ISSA and Madeleine McKeever,
Brown Envelope Seeds.
- 11.00** Super Valu – sourcing local organic produce initiative from the
perspective of the company and a supplier.
Emma Rochford, Super Valu & Colm O'Regan, organic grower, Co. Cork
- 11.30** Irrigation in polytunnels and on a field scale.
Billy Clifford, organic grower, Co. Kerry and
Dirk Flake, organic grower, Co. Galway.
- 12.00** On-farm composting and compost teas.
The practical applications of compost in horticulture.
Michael Miklis, biodynamic farmer/grower, Co. Kilkenny.
- 12.30-1.00** Question and answer session.
- 1.00-2.00** Organic lunch.
- 2.00-4.00** Open session. General meeting of growers and discussion
on the future of the OGI and priorities for 2011.

A number of trade stands including suppliers of polytunnels, irrigation equipment and organic seeds will be in attendance.

Cost of the day is €30

(includes a 25% reduction from National Organic Training Skillnet), including a fully organic lunch and tea/coffee.

Anyone with an interest in organic horticulture is welcome.

Please note prior booking essential.

Reserve your place by sending a cheque for €30 made payable to: NOTS.

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