



# April 2012 Farm Newsletter

Happy spring! Hope you have all had a good winter. We are busily getting ready for a new season here at the farm. Lots of seeds sprouting in the greenhouses and in the fields – onions, lettuce, broccoli, kale, chard, fennel....all looking good so far. The fence is finished, enclosing the fields, the old greenhouse, and the new greenhouse which is currently being built. And we have puppies! Alfie and Chief are three-month-old twin mutts who joined the farm last week. Also, we ordered a much-needed new tractor, which is due to arrive within the next week. And, we have beehives at the farm now! A local bee farmer is putting some hive boxes at the farm for honey-making.



Alfie (left) and Chief exploring the new terrain

CSA shares are still available. If you haven't yet, please go to our website, [www.asburyfarm.org](http://www.asburyfarm.org), and print out a commitment form and mail it to us with a check to secure your share for the year. Commitment forms and payment are due by May 1, 2012. Share pick-ups will begin as early as mid-May or as late as the first week of June, depending on weather ; the exact day and further details will be emailed to all members a few weeks prior to first pick-up, when we know for certain when the harvest will be in.

Coming up is our Open House, Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 12 noon – 4 pm. There will be a farm tour and potluck, and it is rain or shine. This is open to the public and members alike, and of course including kids, so bring along anyone and enjoy a nice afternoon at the farm. Hope to see you then!



Clockwise, from right, baby kale; baby artichokes; rows of young garlic; Robyn & Jake transplanting eggplant seedlings into flats; and Steve filling flats with potting mix, with some assistance from Silas and Rhea Sophia.

