



## WELCOME TO OUR JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

### Welcome back to the baskets

Everyone knows Summer has arrived in Crewkerne because the colourful hanging baskets have gone up. In the photo at the top with the flags, you can see the useful water reservoir at the base of the container which we especially appreciate in hot weather. The trailers and flowers are now filling out nicely.



The trays at the nursery in Yeovil



Planting



Coming along well

### Platinum Jubilee blooms in Crewkerne



The Queen at Town Hall



The lane at Oscar's



Oscar's blooming lady



The George



Gardens open for Jubilee



New look for Grand Interiors' bike



Bunting for this bike



## Jubilee time at The Orchards Nursing Home

Always up for a creative opportunity, The Orchards excelled in their decorating.

To the delight of all, barrows, bikes, benches, pots, tubs and tyres were splashed with vibrant colour.



## Planting seeds at the Jubilee party in the park

We enjoyed a jolly time inviting kids to fill a pot with compost and plant a few marigold seeds (botanical name *Calendula officinalis*), which they could take home. The seeds were supplied by the RHS Community Well Being project. The cheerful orange flowers belong to the daisy family and thrive in virtually any type of garden or container, particularly in cool, dry weather. A raffle for one of our fabulous hanging baskets was another popular attraction.



Diane selling Sweet William and raffle tickets for a hanging basket



Planting seeds with helping hands



Looking good after just 12 days

## A Jubilee tree at Severalls

The Memorial Park **It's Your Neighbourhood** Group arranged for Kathy Head, Crewkerne Mayor and Crewkerne in Bloom Chairman to plant a plum tree to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.





## The South West in Bloom 2022 judges will visit soon

Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup> isn't far away so we're stepping up activity, watering, weeding, replenishing and sprucing.

In our early July Newsletter, we'll let you know the route the judges will take around town.



## Go Wild in Crewkerne

We invite all shops and businesses to enter this year's **window competition** which is part of Crewkerne's bid for glory in the South West in Bloom Awards. Environmental responsibility is such an important topic, the title theme grew naturally!

There's no entry form, just unleash your creativity! Scoring will cover

- Wow! Factor
- Interpretation of the theme
- Design and appropriate accessories
- Overall effort

Windows will be reviewed by independent judges during a walk-through town on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**, the day before the South West in Bloom judges' visit.

The winner will also be awarded the **Williamson Shield, sponsored by Humphries Kirk**, and won last year by Delilah Petal.

## A pot or a plot – we've got a garden competition for all

All classes will be judged from up to 3 photos which should be taken in June or July.

The closing date for entries is 19<sup>th</sup> August and prize winners will be announced at an Awards Evening in mid-October.

## **Garden competition classes**

**Class 1** Single pot or hanging basket

Judges will be looking for: Colour and texture (20 points)  
Suitability for situation (10) points

**Class 2** Front-garden

**Class 3** Back-garden

**Class 4** Environmentally friendly/wildlife area within your garden

Judges for **classes 2, 3 & 4** will be looking for:

Attractiveness – colour schemes and originality (20 points)

Design – focal points, foliage & stems that give texture, hard landscaping (20 points)

Wow! Factor (10 points)

Care & Maintenance (10 points)

**Class 5** ‘My Bug House’ for children up to age 14

Judges will be looking for:

Originality & use of suitable materials (20 points)

Siting in an appropriate place (10 points)

Entry details and photos can be emailed to [hello@crewkerneinbloom.org](mailto:hello@crewkerneinbloom.org), or taken to the L.I.C at the Town Hall. We need to know which class/classes are being entered, your name, address, phone number, email.

**For easy reference, you’ll find a competition entry form at the end of this newsletter.**

## **Thinking of Going Wild in your Garden?**

- Decide if you want to go wild all over, or in a specific area.
- Maybe lose a lawn? They are hard work and you could increase planting by introducing stepping stones or a bark path for easy access.
- Layering is the idea, with the aim of no bare soil.
- That means trees at the top, then shrubs, climbers, perennials, grasses, herbs and bulbs.
- Pruning and deadheading is your choice so let your garden evolve.
- Don’t hurry to cut back – plants in decay can look beautiful, and give cover to wildlife.
- Look after the birds and bugs with boxes and bug houses.
- Establish a pond.
- Experiment and enjoy!

Thank you again to our wonderful main sponsors:



Crewkerne in Bloom is run entirely by volunteers.  
Aims are to encourage a sense of community and pride in Crewkerne,  
enhance its attraction and environmental friendliness  
and bring more visitors to the town.

Find out more about us on [www.crewkerneinbloom.org](http://www.crewkerneinbloom.org) For information on volunteering, membership or sponsorship, give us a call on 01460 72665 or send an email to [hello@crewkerneinbloom.org](mailto:hello@crewkerneinbloom.org)

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- Class 4**            Environmentally friendly/wildlife area within your garden
- Class 5**            'My Bug House' for children up to age 14

**Photographs will be judged against the following criteria:**

- Class 1**                    Colour & texture (20 points)  
                                  Care & maintenance (10 points)
  
- Classes 2,3 & 4**        Attractiveness – colour schemes & originality (20 points)  
                                  Design – focal points, foliage & stems to give texture, hard landscaping (20 points)  
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- Class 5**                    Originality & use of suitable materials (20 points)  
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### ENTRY FORM

Please mark with an X, more than one class may be entered. Either email your entry and photographs to [hello@crewkerneinbloom.org](mailto:hello@crewkerneinbloom.org) or take into the L.I.C. at the Town Hall.

Class 1 .....      Class 2.....      Class 3.....      Class 4 .....      Class 5 .....

Name.....

Address  
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Telephone .....      Email.....

By entering this competition, you accept that names of prize winners and photos of winning entries may be published by Crewkerne in Bloom.

