

Broughty Ferry

IN BLOOM NEWSLETTER

Spring/Summer 2016

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Annual Gardening Competition?
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Beautiful Scotland Silver Gilt Medal Winner 2015



The Youngest Litter Pickers start off the season

The littlest litter pickers from Balgillo Nursery were the most enthusiastic bunch ever. Launching the season on April 13, they discovered an abandoned supermarket trolley in the bushes of the Sandy Park, Balgillo Road. Although keen to take it back to the shop themselves, Mr Thirsk, a regular litter pick volunteer, reassured them that he would push it back later.

The litter picking season continued with a Beach Clean on April 23 and The Rock Garden's Annual Tidy Up.



There are always bonuses when you volunteer for something and Mary Holligan, Grove Academy's Eco teacher, was able to salvage some discarded fishing nets to reuse at the Queen Street Car Park Garden. Apart from the obvious litter (including car tyres) we were particularly keen to pick up any plastics, as we realise how badly this is affecting both fish and sea birds and eventually, humans.

The Barnhill Rock Garden held their litter pick on Sat 30 April and were once again helped by the Cubs from Monifieth. This works for both groups as it also contributes towards the Cub badge work.



Scarecrows in Broughty Ferry



NEW for this year, the Scarecrow Tour

Pupils at Grove Academy have been busy supplying frames with which to make a scarecrow. They will be on show peeping out from gardens during Broughty Ferry Gala Week at various locations. Entries are still coming in but at this stage we know that there will be one at the Balgillo Too Nursery, Forthill Residents Association at Forthill Drive and the YMCA.

Dates For Your Diary

Secret Garden Trail

Sunday 10 July 2016

Duntrune Gala Day Dawson Park

Saturday 16 July 2016
12 noon - 4pm

Keep Scotland Beautiful Judging

August date tbc

Dundee Flower & Food Festival

2 - 4 September 2016

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Dates of next meetings: Tuesdays at Broughty Ferry Library, 7pm
12 July, 9 August, 13 September, 11 October, 8 November, 13 December 2016.

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YMCA and Grove get painting in a new garden project



Grove Academy pupils have been helping paint a mural in a newly created community space in the waste ground behind the YMCA in Broughty Ferry. The Grove group are likely to be involved with the YMCA over the coming year and are hoping to plant up the garden as it develops.

The same group are busy working on **Scarecrows** for **Broughty Ferry Gala Week**.

Diggings at Shiell Street



This spring saw the start of another Grove initiative, The Shiell Street Project, organised by their teacher and BFIB member, Mary Holligan. The area access had been improved by a new tarmac path and was ideal for the 'Grow Wild Youth Project' (see growwilduk.com for more info). A lot of research went into finding out who owned the land before they could start. Eventually, they were successful in both permission and their funding application. So watch out for the wild flower border as it develops over the year. Shiell Street, already known as Broughty Ferry's nature reserve is situated between the railway bridge and the road to Monifieth.

Broughty Ferry in Bloom Contact Names

Stan Nutt	Chairperson 01382 477782
Mary Saunders	Vice Chairperson 01382 477019
Heather Dailly	Treasurer 01382 778061
Joan Chalmers	Minute Secretary 01382 775446
Ann Taylor	Friends of Barnhill Rock Garden 01382 737573
Peter Sandwell	Dundee City Council 01382 433815
Liz Taylor	Local Resident 01382 774047
Rapid Response Team	(to clean graffiti, fly-tipping etc) 01382 433063
Dog Fouling incidents	01382 436288

Holocaust Memorial in Windmill Gardens

This year's 'Holocaust Ambassadors' Lucy McArthur and Antonia Holligan, were helped by Jaime Ashwood, Jamie Cox and Stewart Duncan in planting up the Memorial Bed in The Windmill Gardens. Although these young people have now left school we hope that Grove Academy will appoint a fresh group of pupils to be 'Lessons from Auschwitz Ambassadors' and they will continue the upkeep of this special reminder.



The Pansy/Poppy horse
by Sofia Calmeiro-Arguello.

Meanwhile back at **Queen Street Car Park** the group have secured funding through 'Grow Wild Youth' for a Mythical Meadow - **watch this space!**



A good tidy up on a soggy Sunday. The plants from the nursery bed were planted out around the garden.



Natanya Lim, from Grove Academy shows off the new bench, and also new; the willow gates at the Queen Street Car Park Gardens.

Grove pupils at Gardening Scotland

Suitcases, Plant Hunters & Herbs were the themes

Natanya Lim from Grove Academy used to design a **Pocket Garden** for **Gardening Scotland** in June.

Inspired by a visit to the Eden Project and using recycled materials, all she had to do was make it! With hard work and help from the YMCA, Rowan Richardson of the One World Centre, Mrs Holligan, her Eco Group friends; Poppy Soutar and Hope Duguid, they were able to transform her design into reality.

The big day arrived. With the garden installed, Natanya's creation



was visited and admired by all, including Scottish Minister, Rosanna Cunningham, the Cabinet Secretary for the Environment.



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Snowdrop In – the best ever



Matthew Ahrens holds up the lovely Snowdrop Cake made by Hannah Benn.

This year's **Snowdrop In** was the best attended to date with the Broughty Ferry in Bloom funds being boosted by almost £350.



The numbers of exhibiting snowdrops increased to the point when we ran out of small vases to show them in. People were able to enjoy their coffee and scones whilst

admiring, and smelling, those lovely wee flowers. Thanks to everyone who took part. Karen Coull from Monifieth won the cake in 'Guess the Weight of the Cake' competition - it was 4lbs 4oz, in old money. Look out for it next year when we hope to cheer up a dreich February, with this good excuse for a coffee morning.

Barnhill Primary's Scooter Shelter

Barnhill Primary are to be congratulated on their latest venture to go green. Hoping to encourage healthy, fitter pupils they have built a Bike and Scooter Shelter. The first in Scotland; 74% of P4 - P7 pupils used it on the first day. Lets hope it catches on to other schools.

Don't Miss the Secret Garden Trail

This year there is a wide variety of gardens to be visited, ranging from the pocket-sized gem at 137 Balgillo Road to Barnhill Bowling Club, a new entry for this year. Also joining the Trail for the first time is 11 Beaumont Gardens which will include a visit to an artist's studio. It's a great opportunity to peep behind walls and appreciate the many lovely private gardens there are in Broughty Ferry. Most of the old favourites will be there for you to enjoy once more and spot this year's horticultural changes.

This event is a part of the **Broughty Ferry Gala Week** and is on **Sunday 10 July 1-4pm**. **Maps** will be available from the **Library** and from **The Broughty Ferry Hotel**.



Thanks to **Martin Groves** and his drone camera you can see the entire **Dolphin Flower Bed at Castle Green**. We intend to have a sign made so that visitors can appreciate the dolphin shaped flower bed from the ground.

Happy Anniversary YMCA! we love your smartened up window boxes



Refreshed window boxes with the restored logo detail.



Another spring in the polytunnel, 'potting on' and 'planting up'. The baskets are made up of both hanging



and upright begonias and lobelia. A mix which is almost guaranteed to flower all summer long.

Green Dog Walkers

We have now a Green Dog Walker 'champion' and are awaiting all the proper paper work to be complete before the campaign to encourage responsible dog owners can get started.

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garden competition 2016

A competition organised by Dundee City Council and Broughty Ferry residents

Why Get Involved?

To encourage the community, including individuals, citizens and businesses to take pride and interest in Broughty Ferry by making attractive use of floral displays and attractive planting. Sustaining the diversity of plants and wildlife.

Who Can Enter?

Open to all within the four Broughty Ferry Council Wards, ie, Barnhill, Balgillo, Broughty Ferry, West Ferry.

How To Enter

Fill in and return the application form by **Friday 22 July 2016**

What Happens Next?

Judging for the Garden Competition will take place within two weeks of the closing date.

We will contact you to let you know if you have won a prize.

Judging Criteria

The independent judge will mark against a set of standards.

Garden Competition

- 1 Front Garden or Entrance
- 2 Community Living Space, for example, Council Tenants, Housing Association Tenants, Care Homes or Sheltered Housing
- 3 Display of Window Boxes and/or Patio Planters
- 4 Business or Retail Premises (excludes category No 5)
- 5 Public House, Hotel or Guest House
- 6 Places of Worship
- 7 Places for Leisure Activities
- 8 New Entrant

PRIZES

Overall Winners

Dinner for two.
A Week Pass to the Leisure Club for two people.
at The Woodlands Hotel.

Section Winners

Category winners will receive two 'One-Day' tickets to the Dundee Flower & Food Festival 2016 2 - 4 September.

All entries will receive a Gold, Silver Gilt, Silver or Bronze certificate.

Entry Form

Broughty Ferry Garden Competition 2016



Please use block capitals throughout

All entries to be returned to: Peter Sandwell, Environment Department, Dundee City Council, 3 City Square, Dundee DD1 3BA by Friday 22 July 2016

Classes Entered _____

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