Blooming News in Perth and Kinross



Photo Competition

A Virtual Spring Show

Spring is doubtlessly a season which brings so much vibrancy and colour in the garden and the countryside. With the cancellation of competitions across the board, we would be delighted if you would consider entering a Take A Pride in Perth and Kinross photography competition.

We have listed 3 categories below, but please feel free to add an " own choice "! Unfortunately, we can't offer the £5 K 1st prize being offered by the RHS (rhs.org.uk/photocomp) but we do promise that your fellow bloomers will enjoy seeing the winning shots. (Max file size re E mail is 10Mb) E mail : elspethbruce@pkc.gov.uk by 30th June.

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YOUR GARDEN

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SPRING PLANT OR PLANT COLLECTION

From your own garden or image taken during daily exercise

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PETS IN THE GARDEN

Online News

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RHS.org.uk/community gardening

keepscotlandbeautiful.org/itsyourneighbourhood

Virtual Chelsea

Plans are forging ahead for the Virtual Chelsea Flower Show to fill the gap in the calendar left by the show's first cancellation since the Second World War and its aftermath.

The RHS website, social media streams (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) will bring a wealth of gardening information from designers, growers and exhibitors to a wider audience during the week.

rhs.org.uk/chelsea

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MUTHILL IN BLOOM

Local resident, Corrina Robertson, approached Muthill In Bloom as she was concerned local people might be struggling financially or be unable to get to the shops, and she wondered if the red phone box could be transformed into a village 'food larder'. Susan Crawford, Chair of Muthill In bloom to the rescue -



Armed with some of its 'redundant' plant shelving and giving the first donation of food.....Muthill in Bloom helped the idea to become a reality, and it was launched on April 16th. The village serves a wide rural area and, since the launch, local residents have been giving regular donations of food and other essential items; local businesses, which have had to close, have been supporting the project financially and with donations. Farmers have been getting involved too, dropping off supplies of fresh vegetables.

Muthill's goodwill gesture has gained unsurpassed coverage, via The Times, The Guardian ,The Scotsman, Reporting Scotland, and The Jeremy Vine Show to name but a few. Well done to Muthill.



PITLOCHRY IN BLOOM

Another uplifting story of ingenuity by Pitlochry In Bloom who have updated their award winning Solheim Cup celebrities in celebration of the NHS, amidst a beautiful display of " *Sunlover* " Spring tulips.

The golfing sculpture, originally commissioned by PKC for the Ryder Cup in 2014 has since been joined by a son and daughter. Pitlochry In Bloom have nurtured their willow sculptures in to a very adaptable family !

STANLEY IN BLOOM

OK, so not a bloom story as such, but local Press chose Stanley In Bloom's charming boat of tulips as the backdrop to report local resident Hazel McFadyen's daily walk to help raise funds for the NHS. Hazel is walking around Stanley every day until the 16th June to raise funds for the NHS. …



PLEASE SEND US ON YOUR GOOD NEWS STORIES AND IMAGES

Despite the lockdown on all bloom activity, please do send us on any good news stories or images to help keep spirits up in these uncertain times……

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