

The Roos & District Horticultural Society



Glittering Prizes

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Roos & District Horticultural Society 70th Annual

Summer Show

The hall was buzzing with people bringing and setting up their entries and making final adjustments to ensure they were looking their best before judging commenced promptly at 11am. The judges had a difficult task again this year as the standard of exhibits was very high indeed. The overall number of entries was up although those in the Flower Classes were down, perhaps due to the difficult growing conditions earlier in the season.

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This year they were asked to grow some vegetables and also to make an edible necklace! The Junior Competitors Award of Merit given by the RHS went to Benjamin Jackson.

There were some welcome new exhibitors in the fruit and vegetable classes with the RHS Banksian Medal being awarded to Dudley and Sue Hulme who have only been entering for the past 3 years! There was a good

atmosphere outside with the various sports being well supported although more outside stalls would be welcome. Mr Clarkson brought along and entertained with his musical instrument a "20 Note Organ"!

Mrs Avril Crawforth, President welcomed Gerard Baker who was to present the Cups and Awards. He said, "it's an honour to be invited to make the presentations but it seems strange as I'm also a committee member"! He recalled the first time he entered in the Children's Classes with a vegetable animal! The 25th Anniversary Cup for



the best Exhibit in the Show went to Mrs Joy Moate with a watercolour painting of her father. Elise and Eliza Good of Burton Pidsea School presented Gerard with flowers as a token of thanks. The raffle was drawn for the wonderful selection of prizes to be won.

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At the end of a wonderful day Mrs Jennifer Grant, said "The Committee would like to express their thanks to everyone who helped to make the 70th Show such a successful and enjoyable show. We look forward to seeing you all next year".

Unfortunately, the Clay Shoot had to be cancelled due to the weather but it is hoped to hold it later in the year.

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes – Pink tickets 160 & 333 Call 01964 670576

The committee found 2 egg cups following the Spring Show with the decorated eggs class. To claim them, please ring Mary Jane Barker on 01964 670259.



Cup or Award Winner The Royal Horticultural Society D & S Hulme Banksian Medal The Geen Rose Bowl Mrs M.J.Barker The William Burn Memorial Cup R. Haythorpe The Growers' Cup R. Haythorpe Mrs M.J.Barker The Strangers' Cup Mrs S. Ashton The William Grant Cup D. Simpkins The Whitehead Cup Mrs M.J.Barker The Bessie & Leslie Raisbeck Trophy Mrs S. Ashton The W.F. Lane Memorial Trophy Mrs J. Tate D & S Hulme The Sheila Grotrian Challenge Trophy The Morton Stewart Vase T.F. Kellock The Mrs H.M. Carrick Memorial Cup Mrs.J. Birkett The Mackman Cup Mrs C. Andrews The Virginia Reckitt Memorial Cup Mrs P. Rothwell The 25th Anniversary Cup Mrs J. Moate The H.S. Barker Trophy Mrs J. Tate The John Drotleff Memorial Trophy A. Armstrong The Alice Gardner Memorial Trophy Mrs S. Ashton The Bert Parsons Memorial Trophy D & S Hulme The 60th Anniversary Cup Thomas Jackson Special Award! A Miniature Cup Beth Jackson The Tyson Shield F. Clarkson The Burton Pidsea W.I. Cup Mrs E. Jackson The T. & M. Kellock Cup A. Armstrong The Mrs. D. Monkman Memorial Trophy Mrs D. Simpkins The R.S. Baker Memorial Cup J. Baker The Mr & Mrs P.W. Cheeseman Trophies (For the best exhibit by a boy & girl in Classes 134a - 150) Jake Bullock Boy Alice Bullock The R. Green 50th Anniversary Cup H.J. Mellor The Kathleen Barker Salver Mrs M.J. Barker The Chairman's Shield C. Leckonby The Committee Shield M. J. Barker Miss. R. Cook The Geoff Roe Cup B. Atkinson The Reg Green Memorial Cup **Thomas Burns** The Dorothy Maltas Memorial Cup Mrs J. Moate The Stephen Foster Memorial Cup M. Franks The John & Joan Clark Memorial Cup Mrs. S. Tyson The Marion Caley Memorial Cup J. Smith Junior Competitors Award of Merit Card Benjamin Jackson

Rooster report

This edition is rather like the old style end of term school report with many local groups and organisations rounding off their activities with celebrations and prize giving. It is pleasing to feature so many photographs of cheerful people being presented with their cups and trophies for their achievements!

It is quite remarkable that this is the 70th Roos and District Horticultural Show! Each year it seems to go from strength to strength! It started way back in 1943 when 'Dig for Victory' was the slogan of the time.

Earlier in the month, Roos School had given their leaving pupils a big send off with an Oscar Night of celebrations. Roos Football Club held its end of season Awards Presentation and Friends of Roos School had also presented a prize winners cup.

There will be hardly time to take a 'breather' before the new season of activities begins. Roos Football Club is already in pre-season training. September 'kicks off' with the FORS Scarecrow Trail and Roos Bell Ringers are busy sprucing up the church ready for the induction of their new treble bell by the Archbishop of York!

All the different groups and organisations - it is surprising just how many of them there are – invite new members to join them. They will be given a very warm welcome.

September, and the start of the new term is perhaps the ideal time to think about joining.

FORS Family Fun Quiz

There was a good turnout for the Family Fun Quiz held at Roos Playing Field on Sunday 29th July raising over £150 for Friends of Roos School Funds.



Ann Wall presenting Finlay Ledger with the trophy he will keep until next year!

Friends of Roos School

Calling all Scarecrow Creators!!

The Annual Roos Scarecrow Trail & BBQ is planned for Sunday 16th September

get in touch if you are willing to produce a Scarecrow for the event, either for outside your own home, or for us to include somewhere along the planned route.

But we need your help! Please

We've had many themes suggested, but so as not to restrict your creative construction potential "Anything Goes" but here are a few ideas to get you all thinking – Children's Books, Films, TV, Sporting Heroes/Olympics, Songs & Music, Royalty......

You can either contact the school directly, or let any of the FORS members know.

Ann Wall - 07765 006475 or Liza Buttle - 07946 458956



Remember the GRUFFALO

FORS Scarecrow Trail 2012

Last year the Scarecrow Trail was a remarkable success with almost 35 scarecrows stretching through the length and breadth of Roos. Can you help FORS beat that number this year?

They have just announced Sunday September 16th for the 2012 Scarecrow Trail and BBQ.

If last year was anything to go by, it will be a wonderful day!



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Holiday Recipes

Alan Lavender



Now that summer holidays are in full swing it's time to think about a tea-time treat. A slice of Tea Loaf with Homemade Ice cream perhaps topped with a little butterscotch sauce - delicious! Norma Major gave me this recipe and I've used it many times since - I can really recommend it.

Soon gardens and greenhouses will be full of ripening tomatoes ideal for preserving as chutney, to serve alongside cold meats or cheeses. Later, as ripening slows down, a green tomato chutney can be made using the same recipe and is equally nice.

Banana Hazlenut Tea Loaf

200gm flour

- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon bicarb of soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 100gm toasted hazelnuts
- 2-3 small ripe bananas
- 4 tablespoons orange juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla essence
- 2 large eggs
- 150gm caster sugar
- 125ml sunflower oil

Sieve flour, baking powder, bicarb of soda, salt and hazelnuts into bowl of processor and wizz for 30 seconds

Place the flour mixture into a bowl, then puree the bananas, add the orange juice and vanilla

Beat the eggs and sugar, then stir in the oil

Fold in the dry flour mixture

Then fold in the banana mixture

Spoon into prepared tins and bake at 170c for up to 45mins

Home Made Ice Cream

250ml single cream

250ml double cream

75gm caster sugar

6 egg yolks

1 measure of dark rum

1 cinnamon stick

Boil the creams and cinnamon stick Cream the sugar and egg yolks

Pour creams onto egg mixture and stir thoroughly

Return to pan and cook slightly until mixture coats the back of a spoon

Strain, cool and churn in an ice cream machine*

Other flavours can be made by using a different spirit and spice such as cointreau, star anise, or any fruit based liqueurs.

*Domestic ice cream machines are on sale in many establishments nowadays so give it a try and be amazed at how much better it tastes than bought ice cream!

Spicy Tomato Chutney



2 1/2 kg skinned tomatoes chopped

3 de-seeded red chillies

1 kg chopped onion

2 chopped red peppers

2 tablespoons salt

2 teaspoon mustard seeds

2 teaspoons ground cloves

500gm Demerara sugar

2 teaspoons peppercorns

4 cloves chopped garlic

2 teaspoons mixed spice

1ltr malt vinegar

½ teaspoon chilli powder

Mix tomatoes, red pepper, onions and chillies with salt and leave for 3 hours

Drain well

Put in a preserving pan with vinegar and spices, simmer for 10 mins

Add sugar and cook until thickened for 20 mins

Pour into jars and seal

ROOS FOOTBALL ROUNDUP



The Annual Football
Presentation Night was held
recently and Awards were made

Most Improved Player Johnny Galtrey

Clubman of the year Craig Blanchard

Captains Award winner Sam Huteson

Managers Player of the year James Dixon

Players Player of the year Matty Dixon

The club have already started pre-season training on Wednesday nights at Roos Playing Field at 7pm in preparation for the 2012/13 season which begins on Saturday 8th September. They will have three pre-season 'friendlies' – two to be announced in August and the annual match against Easington for the Barney Moverley Trophy will take place on Monday 3rd September – kick-off time to be confirmed.

Memorial Institute

The Committee are again planning the Annual Draw and Evening of Entertainment which will take place in the Institute on Friday 19th October 2012 at 7.30 p.m. This evening is one of the main fund raising events of the year for the upkeep and maintenance of the Memorial Institute. Tickets will be popping through your letter boxes shortly and of course donations of prizes will be most gratefully received.

Further details in next month's Rooster.

Poos OSCAR NIGHT



The Spotlights were focussed on the final year pupils of Roos Primary School when they gave a wonderful performance for teachers, parents and friends of the ever popular Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice Musical - Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

A week later they took another 'curtain call' when they each received their leaving awards during their 'Oscar Night' celebrations. Parents, teachers and friends were on hand to applaud and take photographs. The nominees had dressed up to party, the girls looking 'glam' and the boys looking 'cool'.

Dining tables were decorated with glittering silver stars and brightly coloured ribbons. Table centres were filled to overflowing with streamers, whistles, bangers and party poppers ready to be launched at each other later in the

evening. The School Chefs were ready to serve them dinner and copious supplies of 'fizz' were ready to flow to accompany the very special cake that Alan Lavender had baked! It promised to be a party for them to remember, but one tinged with a little sadness as this was the last time they would all be together at the school. The following day they would move on!





the Minspiring women

The W.I. meeting was held on 1st August when Karen Clark of 'Beads by Design' was welcomed on her second visit to Roos. Karen gave a short talk on her interest in beads and showed a fascinating collection of the jewellery and tiaras she makes using fine quality crystals and gem stones. Her experience as an Interior Designer was apparent in her use of superb colours and



W.I. ladies at Roos Show

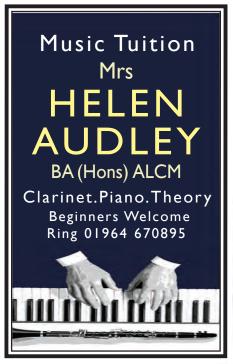
The members enjoyed a 'handson' session and made some very impressive book-marks!

After a welcome cup of tea, the business side of the meeting commenced and discussion took place regarding the County Rally which will take place in July next year and as it is Roos W.I's turn to organise the event much early planning and preparation is required. It was decided to hold this event, which will be attended by all W.I's in the area, at Hedon which 'fits the bill' in terms of location and facilities.

The September speaker will be Alan Lavender and new members are always made welcome.

Summer Party at Burton Agnes Hall.

Members of Roos Jubilee Committee at the "Summer Party" hosted by The Hon. Mrs. Susan Cunliffe-Lister, HM Lord-Lieutenant of the East Riding of Yorkshire, at Burton Agnes Hall. The event was held as an expression of thanks to those who had organised events within local communities to celebrate HM The Queen's Diamond Jubilee.







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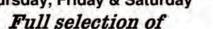


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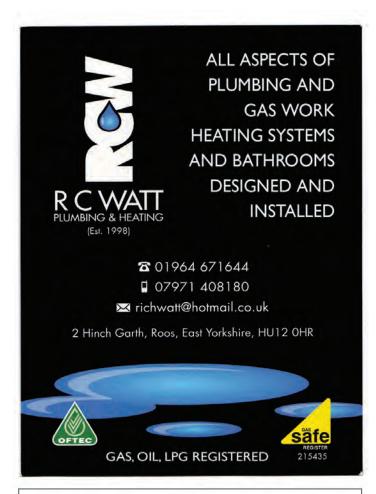




"We've eaten here a few times in recent months, and thoroughly enjoyed the food every time. All meals have been delicious and great value."









Rooster DeadLine ...

The Deadline for the next issue is Friday 7th September 2012. So please don't be late.



Roos Benefice

August 19	9.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	10.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
August 26	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion by extension
	18.30	Garton	Evensong
Sept 2	8.30	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Holy Communion
	10.30	Roos	Methodist Worship
Sept 9	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	11.00	Tunstall	Horseman's Sunday service
	18.30	Garton	Evensong
Sept 16	9.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	10.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
Sept 23	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion (said)
	14.00	Roos	Service of dedication of the new bell, with the Archbishop of York
	18.30	Garton	Evensong
Sept 30	11.00	Garton	Joint service of Holy Communion for the group of parishes to celebrate the Patronal Festival of St Michael's Day (29th)

Did you watch on TV? Engineering Giants

BBC 2 at 8.00pm on Sunday 29th July?

It featured our local P&O ferries, The Pride of Bruges in dry dock undergoing a service. Pride of York was also featured. It will have been of much interest to many who are familiar with the ships, not least several local residents who have worked on the ships over the years. Paul Wingham, son of Ron featured in the January and February Roosters was spotted walking through the Four Seasons Restaurant!



A message from

Canon Cope

By the time you read this, it will all have been and gone, and I'd reckon with a few surprises on the way - but today I write as Mark Cavendish failed to win a medal of any sort in the cycling road race on (official) Day One of the Olympics. All through the commentary, they were saying that 'Team GB' had got their tactics absolutely right and knew exactly what they were doing, and even afterwards, someone said the team rode a perfect race. All I can say is that if I'd ridden a perfect race (and no, just look at me, I'm not about to go road racing on a bike - in fact, I'm not about to go on a bike at all!) then I would expect a gold medal at the end of it.

The perfect tactics, but for a different race. How many folk suddenly wake up to the fact that the pursuit of money doesn't even bring happiness, never mind love - for example. Or that having power doesn't mean that everyone thinks you're wonderful.

And yes, of course I think I've a better answer. The Christian faith offers not just a golden reward at the end of this life, but a decent set of tactics for living this one here and now, and a fair package of ways of coping when things don't quite go according to plan. But then I would say that, wouldn't I...

Revd Canon Stephen Cope

Photographic Club



This months competition at the Photographic club was 'Matching Pair' and this is the photo that won! The winner (Richard Goring) has really used his imagination.

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Parish Meeting

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The following are edited extracts from the July 2012 Meeting. Present: Cllrs. D. Winter (Chairman), W. Ainley, A. Coupe, J. Cracknell, D. Craggs, A. Dodson, B. Smales, K. Tyson and

1. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests

There were no changes declared.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th June 2012

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the addition of: "It was reported that the Chairman and Cllrs. Ainley and Coupe had presented commemorative mugs to children at Roos School and following a written request from a parishioner it was agreed to widen distribution to pre-school children".

Matters arising from the minutes

3. Highway issues

It was reported that ERYC was considering the installation of a gully to alleviate the problem of standing water on Rectory Road and that potholes in South Park would be filled. There was the possibility of the road being surface dressed in 2014.

4. Proposed upgrading of former footpath to Burton Pidsea

Cllr Dodson reported that ERYC continue to investigate.

5. ERYC South Holderness Association of Parish Enterprise

Minutes of the meeting held on May 17th were circulated

6. Woodland adjacent to the church

The Clerk reported that the Parochial Church Council would be considering the Council's letter at its meeting on 25th July.

7. Grassed area in Pilmar Lane

The Chairman reported that ERYC was unable to undertake grass cutting at the location under the Street Scene initiative. The services of John Chapman had been secured to maintain the area for a fee of £70.00 with a minimum of seven cuts per year. A fee of £35 had been agreed to cover the remainder of the current grass cutting season.

8. HM Queen's Diamond Jubilee

It was reported that:

- The Chairman and Cllrs. Ainley, Coupe, Ward and other members of the Jubilee Committee had been invited to a 'garden party' at Burton Agnes Hall on 26th July;
- Eighteen commemorative mugs remained of which two would be retained for future display;
- Cllr. Dodson was arranging for the planting of two trees at the rear of The Pinfold to commemorate the Jubilee.

9. Conservation Areas

It was reported that a meeting with Peter Hopkins, Conservation Officer of ERYC would be held on the 16th July.

10. New litter bins

It was confirmed that an order had been placed for the supply and erection of litter bins at The Pinfold, Hodgson Lane and in the vicinity of the church.

Correspondence

11. ERYC parish news

The latest edition of the above was circulated for member's individual attention.

12. ERYC Street Scene Services

Notification from ERYC of a walkabout on 29th August would identify areas in the parish requiring routine maintenance work. It was agreed that members report any areas for attention at the next meeting and that the Council's representatives to attend the walkabout be confirmed.

13. Members interests

The Clerk circulated new pecuniary and non pecuniary declaration of interest forms for completion and return by each member.

Planning

14. Application

Erection of two storey extension to side single storey extension linking dwelling to existing outbuilding and conversion to additional living accommodation and erection of detached garage following demolition of existing garage at 2 Hilltop Cottages Quaker Road Owstwick – 12/02665/PLF

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposal.

15. Decision

Erection of single storey extension to front following relocation of oil tank at Furze Farm Hilston Road Roos

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above application.

16. Refresher Parish Plan

Cllr. Ainley reported that he had contacted HWRCC to supply an invoice for its involvement in the preparation of the revised refresher plan.

17.Treasurer's report

The Treasurer sought and received approval for payment of the following account:-

J. Ward – reimbursement of outstanding costs incurred for jubilee events - £23.00

Memorial Institute - hire of hall - £22.50

B. Lee - salary/expenses for three months - £843.75

Any other business

18. Land drainage issues

Reference was made to the recent heavy storms in Roos which had threatened to become a flooding problem. A large volume of water had poured into the foul water drainage system causing a worry to households once again. The Chairman reported that he had discussed the issue with ERYC and that a meeting had been arranged to initially look at the area of the beck south of Lamb Lane. It was further agreed to ask ERYC to consider conducting a camera survey of the potted sections of the beck

He also confirmed that arrangements were in hand for Yorkshire Water to carry out a camera survey of the foul water drainage system to identify any possible blockages in their network in the village. He produced and quoted from various Council minutes of 2008/9 detailing ERYC's previous comments/action since the 2007 flooding of the village.

Cllr. Cracknell reported that she had visited Mr and Mrs Cook

Parishmatters Rooster Association

prior to the meeting who had expressed their concerns with recent events and had asked her to thank the Council for implementing the Emergency Plan. Pumps were put on standby and sandbags made ready. The Beck was being constantly monitored. The Chairman thanked Cllrs. Smales and Ward for their efforts in this respect and it was agreed that Cllr. Smales now assist the Chairman in ensuring that the tree trunk removed from the flow of the beck some time ago be removed entirely.

It was further reported that ERYC had agreed to once again remind riparian owners of their responsibilities with regard to the upkeep of their respective sections of the beck to ensure that water can freely flow without obstruction.

19. Highway issues

It was agreed to refer to ERYC for attention potholes on Southfield Lane and to report that the 'No Fly-Tipping' sign on the footpath adjacent to the post office had disappeared.

20. Land for allotments

Cllr. Coupe mentioned that a lady at North End may be interested in providing some land for allotment purposes and that she would inform members if matters progressed.

21. Tedder Hill Wind Farm

It was agreed to request Infinis for an update on progress of the wind farm development.

22. Winter weather commodities

The Chairman reminded Cllr. Tyson that he had been tasked to source the supply of buckets and shovels in readiness for severe winter weather.

23. 30mph speed limit sign

It was reported that ERYC was in the process of providing a flashing repeater speed limit sign on the approach from North End to the school on Main Street.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 10th September 2012 in the Memorial Institute commencing at 7.30pm.

Cricket Roundup



Having returned to action in the last 2 or 3 weeks, both teams have recorded excellent victories in their last 2 games after an unprecedented few weeks run of 'No Cricket' due to the dreadful

The first team continue to lead Division 3 of the East Yorkshire Cricket Alliance, thanks in the main to the batting of Mark Thompson and the bowling endeavours of Matty Roberts, Karl Blenkin and Alex Walkley. Their remaining games this season are:18th August - Marist away. 25th August - Cottingham Academy home. 27th August – Marist home.

Desperately needing a victory the second team have managed to win their last 2 games, thanks to Jon Dearing's return to form with 7 wicket and 5 wicket hauls in the same 2 matches. These results have moved the second string into a comfortable mid table position. They have 2 games remaining: 18th August - South Cave home. 25th August - Fenner III away.

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Of course, one of the best local places to see the spectacle is at Spurn Point. To ensure the best views be aware of the time of the high tide and select a day when there is a tide of more than 7 metres. This will bring a larger number of

waders closer to your viewing point. Arrive at least an hour before high tide is due, so you don't cause any disturbance to the birds. Binoculars will be fine especially for enjoying the mass views of thousands of swirling birds, but if you have a telescope with a hide clamp, you will have better sightings of individual species.

If you want help identifying waders you can't do better than join my Autumn course which resumes on the 4th of September. Although Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday mornings are already pretty full, there are vacancies on some of the other sessions. If you prefer a morning, there are most vacancies on Tuesdays, but if afternoons are your preference, then there are currently spaces on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays. For more than two hours a week encounter the natural world as a completely new sensual experience. You will be amazed what can be discovered by just listening, and not only by looking! In the Autumn we will be paying special attention to birds migrating along the East coast & the Humber estuary. We will be hoping to see specific birds including: Bearded Tit, Hobby, Bittern, Kingfisher, Barn Owl, Red Kite, and nearly 100 others! So, if you are interested in learning more about your local wildlife in beautiful and secluded venues for less than £10 a week, then this is the course for you! We visit a different local hotspot each week and identify all the birds and as much other wildlife as we can.

To book a place you may contact me either on 07946 625688 or mflowers81@live.co.uk."



Car Boot Sale

The Car Boot Sale held on 29th July, raised £303 for Roos Playing Field Association.

Gardening Again!



Gardening should be fun and the most important thing this month is to enjoy your garden. Glorious colours, perfumes, an abundance of fruit and vegetables and – hopefully – more sunshine! What could be more enjoyable and satisfying than taking out the garden chair, making a nice cup of tea and sitting and surveying the results of all your hard work throughout the year?

When taking a leisurely walk around the garden take the secateurs and snip out the dead flowers. Keep the tall flowers staked and pay attention to the pots and containers by dead-heading. You could trim the lavender once the flowers are past their best or, to attract wildlife leave the seeds as some birds love them. Remember also to keep the bird baths topped up and throw away any leftovers on bird tables.

Clean up fallen rose and peony leaves which can harbour disease and insect pests if they remain on the ground over the winter. Of course there's also the constant battle with weeds in borders and the vegetable garden especially after we have had so much rain this year.

But it's all good fun! Enjoy!