



Moseley in Bloom- March 2022

the blooming news

Welcome to the March edition of our newsletter and we can't believe that it will soon be Spring! Please do remember to let us know about your garden projects and any other horticultural projects you are involved with. You can send items of news and photos and any information about forthcoming events by email to doctorcarolmiller@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you, Kerry Jenkins and Carol Miller (Editors).

Introducing Jenny Brewer

Jenny joined Moseley in Bloom at its very beginning in 2005. After a lifetime working for the BBC she was persuaded to get involved in a new local initiative for the Moseley community. In those early days Moseley regularly entered the Britain in Bloom campaign which focused minds in making the centre of the village clean, tidy and floral with both annual displays and sustainable planting. Her practical and organisational skills were put to good use with all these Bloom plans. Alongside Carol Miller, she also became a judge for Britain in Bloom, visiting other communities across this region. She still works to brighten and lighten Moseley with planting and sustainable community initiatives alongside the necessary fund-raising needed to continue our activities.



Could you sponsor a roundabout?

Moseley in Bloom is looking for a new sponsor for its iconic Tropical Roundabout at the junction of Salisbury, Russell, Edgbaston and Willow Roads. Any sponsor must be able to support the cost of the professional horticultural and rubbish tidy-ups that take place three times a year alongside a contribution to our long running local charity supporting a cleaner, greener and more sustainable community. If you would like more information then email info@moseleyinbloom.org.uk



Awards again?

The Moseley in Bloom awards started in 2006 and took place in late summer each year, giving public recognition to some of the local residents and businesses who were a credit to the community. The original concept was to encourage everybody to take part in improving the local environment and to make the urban village of Moseley as attractive as possible. We are hoping to relaunch the hard fought for and well won awards and Kerry and Jenny are currently investigating how we can bring these awards back in a more sustainable way later this summer.



Spring in the air?

We know that Spring is coming when we see the tête-à-têtes popping up around the Green in Moseley. About 15 years ago a group of Moseley in Bloom volunteers planted 1000 of these little daffodils and have maintained them ever since. Each year we lose a few and usually manage to replace them with some new ones and each year we rescue them from the weeds that inevitably grow around them. Jenny and Carol undertook a mammoth weeding session a few weeks ago. We hope you agree that they look fabulous again and bring a little brightness to the village centre.



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More information is available on our website at <https://www.moseleyinbloom.org.uk/>

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Our Annual General Meeting will be held on 28th March from 7:30pm. There will be also be an option of joining the meeting online and if you would like to attend either in person or online then please email our Chair (amy.maclean@moseleyinbloom.co.uk) for more details. This is a public meeting and we would love to welcome new faces wishing to become involved in the work we do.

Open Gardens 2022

Moseley in Bloom Open Gardens will be on Sunday 17th July 2022 and we are now seeking gardens for opening. We are looking for a good variety, large or small, traditional or modern, formal or quirky, neat or wild. We would especially like to have some gardens that have not opened before, or have not done so for several years. If you would like to express your interest in opening please fill in the form on our website here:-
<https://www.moseleyinbloom.org.uk/gardens-wanted/>
When we have all the submissions we will need to determine a mixed spread of gardens based on type, location and size. This means that your garden might not be included this time but please do submit the form, as the more we have the greater variety there will be for our visitors. The deadline for offering is 31st March and we will get in touch with you during early April after the decisions have been made.

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Elizabeth Dowell's Almshouse Trust

Much work has been carried out by Trustees, volunteers and residents to restore and revitalise the grounds at Dowell's Close. The Trustees are convinced that a calm, beautiful environment to live in can only be a positive experience for residents. Because EDAT is a charity they rely on volunteers to add to the work already being carried out by a team of professional gardeners. It is a large site and needs a lot more plants to fill it and Chair of Trustees, Charles Wall is asking Moseley residents to bear them in mind when they are splitting or digging up plants. They would be happy to collect offerings or they can be delivered to EDAT and left near the front door at 240 Alcester Rd, Moseley. For more information you can contact Charles by email at chair@dowellstrust.org.uk or visit their website at www.dowellstrust.org.uk



Raising the roof!

We wrote about the much needed roof repairs in last month's newsletter so just a reminder that Moor Green Allotments are planning to hold this fund raising event on the afternoon and evening of 26th March. Plans are for a swing band in the afternoon with tea and cakes and a rock band and hot food in the evening. The bar will be open from early afternoon and is open to anyone as long as you sign in as a guest. For more information please contact Max via email at: madahal.secretary@gmail.com

