



WELCOME TO OUR NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Hyacinths, Poppies, Christmas Stars, Work Parties, AGM

Annual sale of hyacinths



We were looking forward to our annual sale of pots of hyacinth bulbs at the Farmer's Market on Saturday 23rd November – but sadly the exceptionally wet and windy weather meant the Market had to be cancelled.

However, you'll find us at the **Christmas Market in Falkland Square on November 30th** and we're planning to pop up in the **George Precinct** now and again. Keep an eye on facebook and Instagram for updates. You can also make purchases from the LIC at the Town Hall during opening hours **including this Saturday morning, the 23rd between 10.30 – 12.00. We've held the price for the third year at £4 per pot.**

Three to a pot, the hyacinths come in pink, blue or white. As the photo on the right shows, you can plant them in the garden to flower again the following year – or more.

Poppies popped up

Earlier this month, poppies could be spotted all over town thanks to the Crewkerne Branch of The Royal British Legion. **Crewkerne in Bloom** also had fun joining in the colourful displays, painting the town red.





Star Volunteers

Then before we knew it, it was time to put another of our craft skills into action again.



Next month we'll show you the stars hanging around town – with bells on!

Pompom is an 18th Century French word meaning a small decorative ball made of fur, feathers, ribbon, wool or string. The French army used different pom poms to convey rank and apparently French sailors added them to their hats so they wouldn't bang their heads in rough seas. We use pom poms at Christmas to adorn our parade of decorated bamboo stars along Crewkerne's high street! Here we are at the Town Hall giving them a refurb for this year.

Pictures tell a thousand words



Working and chatting - or on a solo mission at various locations around town, joining Crewkerne in Bloom as a volunteer is a great way to get exercise, meet new friends and keep our lovely old town looking its best.

The more we do, the more we find to do! So, if you fancy joining one of our working parties or can offer just an hour of your time, please let us know. (Contact details on last page.) You could even start a local neighbourhood group.



Sue T in Rose Lane



Phormium obscures visibility in Church St so Catherine & Sallie remove it



Major tidy up in front of loos



Herb baskets have been perked up and temporarily moved down to The Potager

AGM



We held our AGM on November 20th at 2.30pm in Oscars to review our busy and successful year, our financial position and to elect officers.

Crewkerne in Bloom began in October 2017 as an initiative of **The Inner Wheel Club of Crewkerne** who wanted to give something for the community.

Derek has been Treasurer since the beginning but has now stepped back. After shadowing him for the past year, **Sallie is taking over this important role.**

Derek is pictured here with a mixed winter planted pot featuring Skimmia, Heather, Heuchera, Hele bore and a Stipa grass. It was presented by Kathy who spoke on behalf of us all to express thanks to Derek for his unwavering support, efficiency and cheerfulness.

All current officers were re-elected:

Chairman – Kathy; Secretary – Catherine;
Minutes – Sue LV



**Crewkerne in Bloom's potted
Hyacinth Bulbs**

Pink, Blue and White
£4.00

Will be on sale at:
LIC at the Town Hall from 13th November
Farmers Market 23rd November
Town Christmas Market 30th November
Pop-up table in town, various times and places
or contact: hello@crewkerneinbloom.org
All proceeds to Crewkerne in Bloom



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**Crewkerne in Bloom is run entirely by volunteers.
Our 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.**



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