



# Welcome to Winter/Spring 2020

## Friends of Exmouth in Bloom Newsletter



We wish to thank everyone who supports Exmouth in Bloom and hope this will continue as you enjoy our Newsletters updating you on our work. Your support enables us to continue our work providing amazing floral displays around Exmouth.

Enclosed you will find the 2020 Friends Application form and we hope you will continue to be a Friend this year. Thank you - without you we could not make the difference to Exmouth.

Here are some of events planned for the year, come along and see us and meet our volunteers.

**3rd March Launch of Friends Group 2020 at Roswell Court 10.30 am for Coffee**

**7th March: Repair Café at All Saints, Exeter Road 10.00 - 1.00**

**4th April: Repair Café as above**

**2nd May: Repair Café as above**

**6th May : Launch of Local Gardening Competition at Kings Garden and Leisure.**

**20th May : Littlemead Church Coffee Morning, Roundhouse Lane 10.00 - 12.00**

**6th June : Repair Café as above**

**27th June : Armed Forces Day stall**

To find out more or to volunteer please tel. Chairman: Gerry Bassett 01395 488716 or Secretary: Sharon Darton 07387582228

Website: [exmouthinbloom.org.uk](http://exmouthinbloom.org.uk) Facebook: Exmouth in Bloom

# NOVEMBER

Bloom Volunteers were involved in this wonderful Community Project. Our gardening skills were needed to help weed the display area, but we also helped to knit and sew the incredible Curtain of Poppies which was hung from Tower Street Church ready for the Remembrance Day Service at our IYN War Memorial...the hub of our town.



November's Repair Café stall had a distinct Christmassy feel to it with lovely new craft items and preserves.



We attended the 'Our Exmouth, Our Planet' Networking day and also helped Wild East Devon plant wild flower plugs in Phear Park.





# Here comes **DECEMBER** and a Merry Christmas to all!



A Tree-merous weekend! @EMMExmouth @ExmouthTreeProject



We volunteered at the wonderful Tree Celebration Day in Phear Park



Littlemead Church Xmas Coffee morning was busy. We had lots of delicious cakes and wonderful craft items for sale. The Mayor presented a certificate of thanks to Jackie, one of our volunteers, for her work with Bicton Street IYN.



We had a very jolly time at the Xmas Fayre in the Strand selling bunches of holly alongside our calendars and preserves and singing along with the carols. The Exmouth Flower club decorated the Tree barriers for us this year which made a real difference.



Huge thanks to the customers who dropped over £300 in our buckets in Marks & Spencer's foyer.



A last - of - the-year workparty caught up on a few weeding and tidying jobs and Dave fixed new Inner Wheel sponsorship plaques onto one of the planters in the Magnolia Centre.

# It's **JANUARY 2020**.....Exciting times ahead for Exmouth in Bloom!

Congratulations to our Chairman Gerry, who was awarded Citizen of the Year by Exmouth Rotary Club for her voluntary work in the town, which includes Exmouth in Bloom of course.



**Repair Cafe**  
Sat. 4th January  
10am - 1.00pm  
in the hall of  
All Saints church  
Exeter Rd  
Fix & Mix  
Coffee & Cake

We sold the last of the Calendars at January's Repair Café stall.



3000 of our fabulous new Floral Trails leaflets have been printed and distributed. Created and tested by Marion, Elaine and Sandie and sponsored by the Town Team/Town Council.



Exmouth in Bloom were asked by Littlemead Church members, to an afternoon of fun, and fellowship on Saturday. As you can see a good time was had by all.



We made two fabulous flags depicting Exmouth, at a workshop in Moretonhampstead, for our hoped-for project in The Strand this Summer.



Dave installed a shelf for better storage in the shed and re-vamped the Noticeboard in town.





# Here comes **FEBRUARY.**



Workparty madness in the rain but the weeds just don't stop growing. Gerry is the only person we know who can garden with her broly up and look stylish at the same time!



As usual there was a super selection of cakes and crafts and lots of lovely customers at our fundraising Community Coffee morning at Littlemead Church Hall



A record number of customers came to the Repair café. Some played dominoes and tiddlywinks while they waited their turn, or popped along to see what Exmouth in Bloom had to offer. We took £135. Marvellous!

The first of the Flag workshops got underway. We plan to have 8 installed in The Strand this Summer. Today the designs were drawn and some bright 'Ripstop' colours ordered.



The sun shone for the Community Orchard planting with Wild Exmouth. A selection of varieties of Cherry, Plum, Apple, and Crab apple will make a wonderful show. Once the example to Place, Dig holes, Insert the tree and Bang in the stakes was done, we all went off to finish the job of planting all 12 trees so a cup of hot chocolate was very welcome.





**Exmouth  
in Bloom**



## QUIZ NIGHT

Where:  
G.W.R. Club, Imperial Road.

When:  
Friday 7th. February 2020

Time:  
Doors open at 7pm. Start 7.30pm

Teams of up to 6.  
£3 per person

Bar open : Raffle

Be sure of a place by contacting Sharon  
on 013927582228 or email [sharon.darford@sky.com](mailto:sharon.darford@sky.com)



The fundraising Quiz Night was a huge success with over 140 people taking part. Over £500 was raised

