

KINGS PARK NEWSLETTER

Updates from the Friends of Kings Park



Winter Activities

Even in the closing months of the year, and approaching the first cold months of next year, our volunteers remain busy with projects in the park.

We have been litter picking, tidying up our gardens, preparing new projects and planting bulbs for spring flowering.

If you are interested in joining us for a chat over a hot drink on a Thursday morning, we can be found most weeks in the Pavilion Café even if the weather prevents us from gardening! Or come and meet us at our annual Christmas Party (details on page 2).

We enjoy hearing feedback and receiving ideas about projects we could do. If you've got suggestions then email us at fokpstirling@outlook.com

Litter Picking



In mid October, some of our volunteers teamed up with the Rotary Club of Stirling to tidy the park before winter sets in. Although we started out with the impression that there wasn't much litter, we managed to fill 10 sacks!

Many thanks to the Rotary Club for their guidance and the use of their equipment. Now that we know what we are doing, we plan to do more litter picks in the new year. If you are interested in helping then please get in touch.

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Remembering Sue Hunter



It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Sue Hunter in September. She was known to many local people as Sue Beach for her wonderful artwork, some of which captured activities in the Kings Park.

Sue contributed greatly to the Friends group, including as a co-opted member of our committee. Her diverse range of expertise and interests and her positive approach to problem solving brought a truly inspiring dimension to our discussions and plans. She is greatly missed.

The Friends group was honoured to be in receipt of the donations made at Sue's funeral and we will use the money to deliver projects in the park.

Fountain Parterre Borders

If you enjoyed the wonderful displays over the summer in the four borders around the historic drinking fountain near the main gate, then don't despair that many of the plants have died back and been removed.

We are working on a new planting scheme, with four new themes, for 2026. And in the meantime, some planting has taken place to add interest over the winter months.

Look out for more details in the spring.



Members' Christmas Party

Wednesday 3 December at 7pm in the Pavilion Café.

Apart from the attraction of wine, seasonal drinks, snacks and entertainment, our festive event is an opportunity to reflect on what we have achieved over the past year. If you are not a member, but would like to come along, meet our volunteers and maybe make an early New Year resolution to join us, please contact us through our website. Tickets are **£5 per person** and include refreshments, snacks and entry into a raffle to win a hamper and other prizes.

Once again, a big thank you to café owner, Craig Wilkie, for his generous hospitality.

Friends of Kings Park Updates

The management committee of the Friends of Kings Park meets regularly to organise our activities and support volunteers' work. Details and outcomes of our meetings can be found on our website: www.friendsofkingspark.org/about-us