

Hi Folks

I hope you've all had the chance to get out and enjoy some of the fantastic autumn colours we've been seeing. I always think fresh air is a great way to lift your mood, especially in these shorter days.

We've had Spook Night and Bonfire Night and the leaves are coming off the trees so we must be in the run up to Christmas! Invitations to our party have gone out - if you haven't got yours let us know.

Another sure sign is that the Christmas cards Greenbox are packing are going out almost as fast as we are doing them and the catering team have started making Christmas cakes!

I'll catch up with you all soon and in the meantime stay well - Bruce

I-Pots Social



We had a great time at I-Pots at the beginning of November.

17 of our volunteers came along and were amazingly creative with all sorts of designs and colours.

Your finished pieces will be collected and handed out very soon!



John's Tricky Quiz Question #30

Q: What was completed in Doncaster on the 24th February 1923 costing £7,944?

Answer in the next issue of Hextol Happenings. Answer to question #29:

Q: At 8.00am on the 26th June 1974 in a supermarket in Troy, Ohio, USA. What did shop worker Sharon Buchanon do for the very first time?

A: Scanned the first barcode

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New Gardening Supervisor



Meet Tom Sage our new Gardening Supervisor.

He has come on board to help the gardeners with their ever expanding work load and is delighted to be working with us.

Some of you may have already seen Tom around, and I'm sure you'll join us in making him feel very welcome.

Gardening Team's Busy Autumn



Our gardening teams have been working as hard as ever, and now the autumn is here they have been working come rain or shine!

Will (left) busy planting up a new border and Warren (right) sweeping autumn leaves.

Well done gardeners!



Volunteer Happenings



Congratulations to our Tans Café volunteer Matthew Dennis, who did his 100th Park Run on Saturday at Tyne Green in Hexham.

We love hearing about what our volunteers are up to when not working with us here at Hextol. If you have any news you would like us to share, let Jo Elliot know and you might get a feature in our newsletter.

Christmas Reminders

Invitations have gone out for the Christmas party on Tuesday 5th December 7-9.30pm at the cricket club. Please let us have your reply slips back by **Tuesday 21st November**.

We will be decorating the Tans Café window with your bauble designs again this year. Please return any completed ones to Jo Elliot by 8th December. We can't wait to see them all on show!

Can you also let us know if you're having extra time off at Christmas so that we can plan for staffing over the holiday period.