

Friends of Valley Gardens

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Work Parties

Sunday 8 October 10am to 12 noon

Sunday 29 October 10am to 12 noon

Meet at the shelter at the top of the path at 9 Valley Road to collect tools and have a quick briefing about the work to be done.

August/September Work Parties

A good turnout on 23 August with 10 volunteers focusing on the area at the back of Woodend where the performances of Pinocchio by the Scarborough Theatre Company were taking place with weeding, litter picking and general tidying up.

On 29 August, as well as the usual weeding and litter picking, two of our volunteers made a start on the Victorian Bench (see page 2 of this newsletter).



On 10 September we were experiencing a late heatwave. The ground was too hard to do any planting so pruning in the Peace Garden was the priority for the day.



On 24 September work concentrated around the mill pond. With thanks to the North Yorkshire Council Parks Team who brought along an extra long grabber to allow us to get to some of the litter we cant normally reach!

Save The Date

The Annual General Meeting of Friends of Scarborough Valley Gardens will take place on

Wednesday 1 November 2023

At 7pm

In the Conference Room, Woodend, The Crescent, Scarborough, YO11 2PW.

The meeting starts with the formal business to be conducted, then, after a quick break, Andrew Clay, Chief Executive of Scarborough Museums and Galleries, has kindly agreed to give a talk based on the history of Woodend. Further details will be provided in due course.

We do hope you will be able to come along.

Victorian Bench

We reported in the last newsletter that one of the projects we wanted to focus on was the repair and repainting of the Victorian bench near the roundabout at the end of Valley Road.

We are pleased to report that the work is now complete, with special thanks going to Marie who was involved in every stage.



On 19 October we will be welcoming to the Gardens some volunteers from the Environment Agency who are travelling over from West Yorkshire on a team away day . The aim is for them to help with clearing some of the pond weed, as well as pruning back some of the small islands within the pond area. We are grateful to the Parks Team at North Yorkshire Council for helping to facilitate their visit.

Did you know...

If you come across an abandoned trolley (sadly not an unusual occurrence in the Gardens) you can help return it to its rightful home by reporting it online via [Trolleywise](https://www.trolleywise.com/). This is used by most of the major supermarkets.

If possible take a photograph of where it is and for the exact location, you can use the What3Words location finder.



May

And finally...

It is good to see that the Aucuparia Sunshine, or Sunshine Rowen, which we planted on 8 May is growing nicely in its new home.



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