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Market dates



TGV Community Market brings together the community and local business offering everything from cakes, toys, information and bespoke craft stalls. It takes place at our local pub, The Strawberry Thief in the overflow car park. Come along and discover something new for yourself or your loved ones!

- 06 August 2023
- 03 September 2023
- 08 October 2023
- 05 November 2023
- December - Arkells Christmas Market



GWA community project

A selection of students at GWA were asked to create a botanical themed piece of artwork for Tadpole surgery. The committed students came every Thursday lunchtime to create paper and material flowers, which were then later arranged by the DT technicians to form this spectacular piece. We are super proud of the student's skills, commitment, and achievement. Well done to all involved!



Tadpole Tidy - litter pick

Massive thanks to Bradley Williams for organising Tadpole Tidy, the litter picking event and everyone coming to help out! You're making a difference across the village and hopefully your hard work will encourage more people to be mindful of our environment.



Save the date!

Outdoor Cinema at Tadpole Garden Village on the 2nd September at 8PM



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Summer 2022

my community news

Hello! Welcome to the summer newsletter



Summer is the season we're all waiting for! Flowers blooming all around, the birds are singing, no need to wear 3 layers of clothing just to go outside and most of all, the sunshine brings us warmth and joy!

We've had a number of wonderful things happening this summer already. Our fantastic group of gardeners have beautified the village yet again with hanging baskets and the top village entrance planter has been refreshed. If you'd like to join the TGV In Bloom gardening group or the community market, find all the details below!

Speaking of adorning our village, the GWA students have recently created a beautiful botanical art piece for Tadpole Surgery, so a massive thank you to them for their incredible work.

As in the previous newsletter editions, we are excited to present a community member whose support to the community has been recognised. I'm sure that Roger Cole is someone we have all heard about or already seen in action repairing residents' bicycles! You can find out more about Roger and even get some tips for your bike this summer in a short interview.

Finally, what better way to enjoy a warm summer night in our wonderful outdoor spaces than watching a movie in the outdoor cinema. Yes, that's right, we're bringing an outdoor cinema to Tadpole on 2nd of September, so save the date! We will provide more info on this event and more on the Tadpole Garden Village Residents Facebook group.

Have a lovely Summer all!

Kasia Ganzera, Community Mobiliser,
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TGV in Bloom

As part of their 'People's Planting Project' Tadpole Village residents enjoyed the hanging basket workshop. Read more about it overleaf...

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TGV In Bloom beautifying the village



Hanging baskets

TGV In Bloom ran a hanging basket workshop as part of their 'People's Planting Project' to give residents of all ages and abilities the chance to be involved in horticultural activities. 20 self-watering hanging baskets were purchased through a national lottery grant that saw residents plant up on a workshop provided by Basketcase - a local hanging basket specialist. The baskets are spread through the village - at both entrances and around the shops. TGV In Bloom hope to build on this with more baskets and workshops in the coming years. We would like to thank all residents who've helped to look after them and keep them topped up with water!



Pallet garden competition

An inaugural year for our pallet garden competition - designed to encourage children in to horticulture. Village schools and local clubs were invited to take part. All were given a pallet as the space to design a garden that had horticulture, arts, environment & sustainability at its heart. The competition was assessed by an RHS Gold Medallist Judge who was impressed with all entries. The winner of the competition and £100 prize courtesy of PREIM was William Morris Primary School - congrats!



TGV gardening club dates

The community at Tadpole is renowned for our very active gardening enthusiasts, and if you wish to become one of them, simply join the TGV In Bloom Gardening Club!

TGV In Bloom meets take place at the allotments on the below dates, and will be run from 10am until 12pm and will finish with drinks and cake!

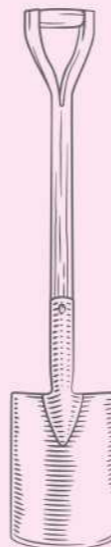
Sunday 20th August 2023

Sunday 24th September 2023

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Sunday 10th December 2023



Interview with Roger Cole - outstanding community member

By Kasia Ganzera



Q. Hi Roger, please tell us how the free bike repairs you offer started in Tadpole?

I moved to Tadpole Garden Village 2 years ago and wanted to serve the community in some way. Over the Covid time I did bike repairs and saw the benefit to families of a local bike repairer. I had the idea of setting up a table by the shops with a sign that said FREE BIKE CHECKS AND REPAIRS. To start with very few people came along. I actually chased one young cyclist down the road and insisted that I put some air in his very flat tyres. He reluctantly agreed and asked if I could repair his brake too. The following week a group of students from GWA walked past saying HELLO ROGER. When I asked them how they knew my name they said I had repaired their friend's bike the week before. Some of that group then brought their bikes for repairs.

That's how I got started in November 2021 and I've been doing it ever since with occasional breaks for bank holidays and our own summer holiday. So many people come along now that I've managed to get another bike mechanic to help me. Steve who also runs the Porche club in Swindon is a qualified bike mechanic and knows his way around a bike. He really enjoys helping people get their bike bikes back into working order too. So, the two of us make a good team, I think.

Q. What motivated you to support the community in this way?

I do care about our community and want young people and families to be out on their bikes safely. I'm a Christian and pastor of a local church so the motivation comes from my belief that everyone is important to God, and he cares about them. It's also fun seeing the smile on people's faces when their broken bike is back in full working order again. It can be very expensive getting bikes repaired so giving a free service with just a contrition for new parts makes it affordable for almost anyone.

Q. For those riding bikes this summer, do you have some tips to keep the bikes safe and ready for adventures?

Yes. Make sure your tyres are blown up to the right pressure. Most tyres need at least 40psi and normal handheld bicycle pumps can't easily get up to this

pressure. Shops like Go Outdoors and Halfords as well as the cycle shops in town can fit you up with a floor pump that has a dial to show the pressure. It's really worth investing £15-£25 for one. It's good to check that the bolts on the wheels are tighten up too. Some cyclists have turned up for help because their wheels have fallen off. It's also good to put a little bike chain oil on your chain. I usually put some on and with a cloth remove any excess from the surface. The oil only needs to be in the working part not on the surface. You could always pop by on a Monday between 2.00-4.30 for a quick check over. We can inflate your tyres to the right pressure with our battery-operated pump. At the same time, we can check the bolts and look at the chain and brakes.

Q. How can people find you/ your repair sessions?

Each Monday we are next to the Tadpole Garden Village shops from 2.00-4.30pm. Like most people we like our bank Holidays as well as our 2 week summer holiday off. We put up a post on the Tadpole Garden Village Residents and Tadpole Garden Village Community Facebook sites to let people know that it's happening. We can set up our large fold away gazebo so are out there in all wind and weathers.

