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The Start of the Gardening Season

The garden centre is starting to look the part with lots of new products and plants filling our shelves. Early spring perennials have been very popular with our customers, as have our display of primroses. As we start a new month we begin to think about our summer garden displays. In stock we have our first delivery of hanging basket plants and these will soon be joined by summer bedding plants. Don 't rush to put these in as a late frost can still cause havoc. However, the good news is that we will have stock right through to June.



April 2019 Newsletter



If you would like us to fill a hanging basket on your behalf we will be pleased to do this. Simply drop off a suitable basket and we will plant this up ready for your collection during the latter part of May. This is a hassle free way to an instant garden, as we do the hard work for you.

Around the garden centre you will see that we have introduced a number of special offers. Our basket plants are on sale at £1.50 each or why not buy 7 plants for £9.00. Just enough plants to fill a hanging basket.

Vicar School Update

Apologies to customers who have already read this article in the March edition of the Yare Valley Voice. I know that many of our customers live outside Brundall and may not have seen this...

Most of you will know me as the owner of the local hardware store. Down to earth, ready for a chat and frequently seen with a cup of tea and a biscuit in hand.

Some will know that over the past few years I have started on a journey which will see me become ordained initially as a Deacon in the ${\it Church}$ of England and then a Priest.

It was some 34 plus years ago, aged about 16 that I started to feel that perhaps God was calling me to become a vicar. I also felt too young to embark on such a vocation so I busied myself in seeking work in the banking industry. Various senior management jobs at The Woolwich and Visa ensued before Alison and I decided to move to Norfolk to commence a new adventure running the hardware store.

Throughout this time the idea of following God's call continued. Those nagging feelings never really go away and in the end you have to respond in some way.

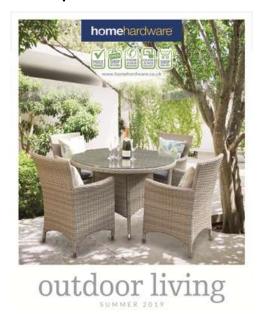
About 4 years ago I had the opportunity to lead some youth services at our church in Stalham and this experience acted as the catalyst for me to start speaking with local church leaders about that nagging feeling. In time this resulted in me having the opportunity to explore my vocation with trained advisors before I was sent away for a series of selection interviews known as a Bishops Advisory Panel. As a result I was given permission to start training and to attend what I like to call "vicar school". Nearly three years later this initial period of training is drawing to a close. It's been a wonderful time exploring the Christian faith from so many perspectives, being given the freedom to try and shape my own thoughts and experiences, which will hopefully enable me to serve God as a minister in the Church of England. Throughout this time I have felt guided by God and strengthened by His love

If I succeed in completing my training; with the Grace of God and the blessing of the Bishop of Norwich I will be ordained as a Deacon on the 29th June at 10.30am in Norwich Cathedral. At this point I will become known as the Rev'd Andrew Bevan and you may see me wearing a dog collar. (Not the type that we sell in the shop). A year later I would expect to be ordained as a Priest. This will enable me to exercise all of the offices of a vicar including the celebration of Holy Communion.

Many people have asked if we will be leaving the shop. The answer is No! I will be undertaking my responsibilities in the church on a voluntary basis. Following my ordination I will commence a Curacy at Stalham church, which is near where we live. From time to time I may have the opportunity to join the Rev'd Peter Leech in assisting with a service here in Brundall.

We will be closing the shop on the 29th June so that colleagues and friends will be able to attend the ordination service. The service is open to everyone and it would be wonderful to welcome both customers and friends to the service. Finally, I would just like to thank all of those who have provided words of encouragement and prayer over the past three years. Andrew

Pick up a brochure



We are now running our Spring
Gardening promotion which means
that many of the every day products
that you require for your garden and
for those essential DIY jobs are now
on special promotion. The really
good bit is that you don't need to
travel miles to secure a bargain.
You have special promotion prices
right here in Brundall.

A brochure will be delivered to over 10,000 households during April. So please do look out for your copy. We also have a garden furniture catalogue which can be picked up in store. So whilst we do not have room to display garden furniture you can be assured of a quick delivery of quality products at Brundall Home Hardware prices.

We offer free local delivery on bulky items. See our web site for terms.

New Wrendale Products



Wrendale Designs have introduced a whole host of new products and gift ideas. Of particular interest is the new dining range which includes a selection of plates and bowls which will grace any table. We particularly like this range of bird houses which is taking Wrendale Design into the garden. I am sure that any self respecting Blue Tit would be pleased to grace one of these designer residences!!!

Gorilla Glue Products

At the end of March we attended a trade show at the Norfolk Showground. This was packed with new ideas and products being launched onto the market. We are delighted to announce that as a result of the show we will be introducing an extended range of Gorilla Glue products. We like selling Gorilla products as they really do work and we are able to recommend them to our customers with confidence.



Don 't forget to feed the birds!



Chapelwood bird feeders on promotion at only £3.99. These have been selling fast!

April Quote

"The weather wouldn't settle down. It would rain cats and dogs, then stop, then drip awhile, then stop while it made up its mind what to do next."

Glendon Swarthout



Dates for your Diary

Our Easter Opening Hours

Good Friday — Closed

Easter Saturday — 8.30am to 5.30pm

Easter Sunday — Closed

Bank Holiday Monday — Closed

Wishing all of our customers a Happy Easter.

Advanced notice.

The shop will be closed on Saturday 29th June 2019.







We really hope that you like these new pricing posters that we are displaying around the shop. We are very grateful to the design team at Home Hardware for their help in producing these. We think they make the garden centre a little more colourful whilst making some of our prices a little clearer.

Plant Prices

You may have noticed that the prices on our plants have become a little easier to read. We have purchased a printer which produces waterproof labels for our plants. We are introducing these over the coming weeks and hopefully you will find it easier to find the price of each plant. It should also make it quicker for us to put your transaction through our till. We hope that you will like this little improvement to our service. As a bit of a gadget man I am enjoying printing off all of the new barcode labels much to the amusement of everyone else.



In fact you will start to see these little labels appearing on a wide range of products in the garden centre, such as water butts and incinerators. Don't stand still out there too long.... you never know!!!!



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Free local delivery on purchases over £15.

Subject to availability of delivery driver and weather conditions.

