

GARDENING NEWS

It seems incredible to be talking about autumn already with summer only just getting underway.

As a plant lover I for one never complain if we have a lot of rain, but a little more sunshine for the plants wouldn't go a miss at the moment. So before we think too much of autumn colours and 'fungus forays' let us see what late summer will bring to our gardens. Keep an eye open for the following:



Our gardener, Anthony Butler, reveals what to look out for in Stroud's gardens between July and September

Herbaceous (Bank Gardens)

- Ligularia dentata (Golden Rays) - yellow
- Phygelius capensis (Cape Figwort) - red
- Solidago Sp.+ CV's (Golden Red) - yellow



Ligularia dentata



Phygelius capensis



Park Gardens border

Tree (Park Gardens)

- Koelreuteria paniculata - flowers and pods

Long Border (Park Gardens)

Whole array of different plants and colours!

Shrubs

Roses along Dr Newton's Way



Dr Newton's Way

Developments

Due to time constraints no new developments have taken place in our gardens this time, but it is very encouraging to see our latest borders already filling out and looking colourful in one season. Of particular note have been the library bed, Compost Corner and our extension to the fernery.

New developments have, however, taken place elsewhere within the green spaces areas. They are:

1. Tree planting in The Leazes playing field
2. Sowing a pictorial meadow by the canal at Wallbridge



The Leazes

Workload

I'm pleased to say that our volunteer, Martin Weeks, will be re-joining us for the summer/autumn period. He will be helping us with our summer bedding schemes,



grass cutting and routine maintenance of the green spaces areas.



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