

From the Editors Desk

August is upon already. Where has the time gone? I can't believe that I have just put together the August issue of the magazine and am now getting in articles for September!!!

Of course August flags up the fact that summer holidays are upon us too. Fortunately I am not in the position any more of juggling a job and child care but I can imagine it must be a nightmare if you are not organised! I hope everyone has a good holiday, stress free and above all stay safe.

In the September issue of the magazine I will be asking for more help with the Village Pond project that I have taken on. Hopefully a decision will be made by the Parish Council about having railings on the dwarf wall and gate and a better pond protection system so that the awful old metal grill can be got rid of. Fingers crossed. I shall be putting a poster asking for help to clear the ivy off the fencing and donations of bulbs to put in the flowerbed. A volunteer is already growing plants from cuttings for the bed but I am looking for plants for the pond. If you want to donate something it would be greatly appreciated. The whole idea of this refurbishment is to create a small haven where people can come and sit, read a book, have a picnic, meet with friends and for somewhere where kids can learn about the plants and wildlife. Hopefully there will be a noticeboard highlighting this.

Oh, another sign of time moving too fast is that I have already started thinking about Christmas presents as last year I made everyone a cushion because I am well into crafting at the moment. This is something that I have always been involved with, especially spinning, but I have been totally inspired by Kaffe Fassett's fabrics which bright, colourful, jazzy and I just love putting different colours together in patchwork. This year I am not sure what I am going to do but it will be something patchwork and quilted, may be table runners, table mats etc. There is so much one is able to do nowadays it is difficult to hone in on one idea or two.

The above paragraph reminds me that you may recall that I put something in the magazine to set up a quilters group. Well, this has got off the ground and a group of us meet every month and talk and chat about the projects that are ongoing or in the planning. Sadly I wasn't able to go along to July's event but fingers crossed by the time the next one comes along I may have my ideas for Christmas presents!!!

Well, this is just about it for now. Thanks for reading

Jenny Gee