

## Our Monthly Newsletter

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. We hope you find the content interesting. All back issues can be located at [www.brundallpetandgardencentre.co.uk](http://www.brundallpetandgardencentre.co.uk).

## Newsletter May 2015

### Diary Dates

We will be closed on both May Bank Holiday Mondays.

## A Splash of Colour

I love reading trade magazines and speaking to company representatives about new product ideas. My only constraint to stocking many interesting products is space.

However, from time to time a product comes along which we have to take regardless.

Ronseal have just brought out a new range called Garden Paint and in my humble opinion it is one of the best products of its type that I have seen.

It can also be used on metal, a primer is recommended, so a wide range of items can be painted, for example, hinges, gates, metal pots and furniture.



My garden bench

Ronseal recommend three coats for the best finish but I managed to renovate our bench with just two coats.

A great new product which I am delighted to recommend. As always please follow the manufacturers application guidelines.

I plan to use the paint on the sheds in the garden centre!



Create a plant pot from a tin can!

Do you have some tired old flower pots? Then give them a splash of colour as this product will work on ceramics and terracotta.

I've had a go at painting some very old furniture at home. A rather tatty old bench is now sporting a very vibrant shade of Sky Blue.

We have a good selection of the colours in stock with three sizes of can 250ml, 750ml and 2.5L. This means that you can buy just the right quantity for the job in hand.



How good would your garden look with a change of fence colour?

250ml priced at £5.39.

The range has a number of really bright and vibrant colours. But the best bit — it can be used on so many different surfaces. Perfect on wood for adding a touch of style to a rather shabby shed, painting a bench, table etc.

## Charity Car Wash



### Thank you.

Despite a rather damp morning a hardy group of car washers gathered at the shop to raise money to support a forthcoming trip to the Vidiyal Trust in India. A number of vehicles were washed and polished with donations amounting to

£188. A special thanks to a few kind souls who just stopped and handed over a donation without the benefit of a clean car.

A further car wash is planned for June. If you wish to make a donation please speak with Andrew.

### Better Value

Our bedding and vegetable plant supplier has changed the way they supply our plants. Instead of supplying plants in six pack trays they have now introduced for many varieties a 10 pack tray. A very modest price increase on the tray but an overall price deduction per plant. We hope you like the new format.

Our new bedding plant display stands



Osteospermums make an excellent summer display. A variety of colours in stock at £2.50 per pot.

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Now's the time to stock up on ant repellents. I like this Nippon Spray as it leaves no white residue.

## Andrew's top tips. A Sticky Problem

We regularly receive requests for information on the best glue for the job.

I do not plan to try and answer all questions about using different glues in the article. However, I am more than pleased to highlight some of the products which we regularly recommend for many common repair jobs.

Very often we are asked about simple repairs to broken china, glass etc on many items around the home. In most cases we will suggest trying our Industrial Strength Superglue priced at only £2.85. This will tackle many jobs including most plastics. Plastics can be a bit tricky so we do carry specific glues for this purpose.



Gorilla Glue is one of the most impressive products on the market. Gorilla Glue is activated by water and will basically stick anything to anything. It will even stick polystyrene to metal or glass. It takes a few hours for the process to be complete and the items to be glued do will need to be held tightly in place during the drying process. Gorilla have also introduced a range of wood glues. These will work in both interior and exterior applications. In fact we were so impressed with this product we cleared the shelves of all other wood glues - the Gorilla product was cheaper and more versatile. Looking for a bit of instant stick on larger surfaces. The EvoStick is the one for you. This is a powerful contact adhesive. Take care though! You only get one chance to position the items to be glued. No clamping required which means that this is a useful solution where applying pressure is a problem.



**Stick with us!**

## Joint Aid for Dogs

**Do you struggle to get going in the morning or have difficulty getting up the stairs? Chances are you might be suffering from some joint pain. Well your dog may be suffering from similar problems.**

For some years we have been selling a remarkable product called Joint Aid for Dogs. This is a supplement which is designed to alleviate many of these problems by improving joint health.

The manufacturers have found this product to be so popular that many owners have started taking the product and found that it helped improve their mobility. (Not recommended).

Don't fancy chomping on a dog supplement? No problem — the human version is now in stock. A new product called Elavina Joint Aid.

Talk about an holistic approach to joint pain relief. Now you and your dog can take a similar supplement. Just think of all those longer walks!

We have been provided with a selection of samples of Joint Aid for Dogs. This will help you determine if your pet will eat the supplement and will provide a supply of approximately 1 month. A three month period on the product is usually required to show the maximum improvement.

If you require a free sample please call in store and ask a member of staff. One sample per customer. Whilst stocks last.



For you and your dog.

## Draper Hose Fittings

**I'm a bit fussy about the products I stock and will always try to offer good quality at the right price.**



This is why we stock a range of Draper hose accessories and attachments. These products are somewhat cheaper than some of the market leading brands. However, they are of a reasonable quality and will provide good service.

All of our hose fittings are compatible with Hozelock.

Not sure what fitting you need to buy? Please speak to a member of staff. We will be delighted to offer advice on how to set up your hose system.

## Celebration Time

Not only do we carry a range of giftware, greetings cards and wrapping paper. We are your local supplier of helium balloons, celebration banners, gift bags, bows, ribbon and lots, lots more.

In fact we have over 5000 different greetings cards in stock priced from just £1.00. Sometimes we just wonder how we manage to pack all of this in store.



Unable to see what you are looking for. Please always ask! We could well have it hidden up, located in the stock room or in the case of Andrew (me) put somewhere that nobody else knows about. (Keeps everyone on their toes).