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FOVG Valley Gardens Watch during the Covid19 restrictions



This week we have a message from our President Martin Fish

Hello everyone and hope you are keeping safe and well through this terrible situation.

I just wanted to say a big thank you for all the support that you give to the FOVG with fund-raising and volunteering in the Valley Gardens. We are lucky to have such a wonderful facility and all that you do is greatly appreciated.

For the time being, work in the park has ceased, but for those that live close by you can still walk through and

enjoy the garden in its spring splendour!

As my work speaking to groups and working at flowers shows has been cancelled until the end of June, I find my self at home with Jill. I can still do my writing and some radio and lots of gardening! It's a busy time in the garden for us and we are enjoying being outside for most of the day. It's at times like this that you appreciate the health and well being benefits of being out in the garden, even if only for a short time.

In an attempt to get people into their gardens, I'm posting short practical gardening videos twice a week with things to do in the garden. We go under the banner of **Pots & Trowels** and you can find them on **Facebook and YouTube**, so please have a look!

Stay safe and keep gardening!.

Martin Fish

What is happening this week?

Well I'm afraid the answer is

NOTHING;

The full time gardeners have all been told to stay at home and stay safe , so for the moment there is

no regular maintenance in Valley Gardens. However the paving around the OMWPR was pressure washed recently, and is due to be repointed. This morning it looked as good as new in the sunshine. (image page 2)



The recently pressure washed paving. Thank you HBC team it looks lovely.

A Thank you from the Trustees for all your positive feedback for this venture it is much appreciated; please also let us know about anything you would like us to cover if we can.

Two members have sent up photos from their gardens; A beautiful Azalea in full flower, from Jan Collins in Hong Kong, and a Yoshino Cherry flowering fit to bust in Andy Bolton's garden near Tockwith.



What is looking Good this Week?



One of my favourites; the Hellebores in the Peat Garden show against the light.

Why not send photos of your garden to : fovg@friendsofvalleygardens.co.uk