

WINDERMERE in BLOOM 2014

Windermere in Bloom held its annual award ceremony at the Hydro Hotel recently. Cllr Sandra Lilley welcomed the Mayor of Windermere, fellow councillors and members of the public and introduced Adrian Faulkner who gave a short update on the ideas the RHS have for the future judging of the Britain in Bloom campaign which if adopted, would filter down to the Regions and Nations and finally to the local "In Bloom" competitions. He then went onto congratulate the local winners of the Cumbria in Bloom - Pride in your Community Awards which were for 'best in borough for tourism,' the Peter Rabbit Garden, World of Beatrix Potter Attraction, Bowness who also achieved a Gold at the Chelsea Flower Show; the Willowsmere Hotel who were runners up in the Cumbria Tourism Chairman's Trophy for B&B/Guest House category and Goodly Dale Community School who achieved 'Thriving' in the School Gardening Campaign. He then went onto make the presentations of certificates for the RHS 'It's Your Neighbourhood' awards. These went to;

Friends of St. Martin's Churchyard - Improving

Orrest Drive Allotment Group - Improving

Friends of Crescent Road - Developing

Friends of School Knott Community Woodland - Developing

Friends of Windermere - Developing

Carver Eco-Church - Thriving

Friends of Birthwaite Gardens - Thriving.

For 3 of these entries it was their first time!

The Mayor and various sponsors made the main presentations of trophies and certificates:
May Cottage- Windermere Town Council Pat Holmes Cup, small guest house /b&b

Beckside- South Lakes Tourism Trophy, hotel or large guest house/b&b

Craig Manor Hotel - Lakes Hospitality Cup, hotels, inns & pubs

Old Pump House - Windermere Lions Trophy, café or restaurant

Royal Oak - Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade Cup, hanging baskets, boxes and tubs (commercial properties)

St. Martin's Parade - Tesco Shield, best decorated shop

Lynwood - Lakeland Ltd Trophy. commercial or non-commercial premises.

The Queens hotel - The Windermere in Bloom Cup, contribution to the community

13 Fairfield Road - Windermere in Bloom Trophy, special or outstanding feature

Rockwood & Lucerne - The Staveley Crystal Trophy, Residential open category

54 Droomer Drive - Windermere Parish Jug, one off WOW factor

West View, Craig Walk - Rayrigg Motors Ltd Rose Bowl, most colourful display

The Albert Hotel - Windermere in Bloom committee Cup, best all year round display

19 Mill Brow - Leith Joseph Trophy, domestic tubs and hanging baskets

Oldfield, Troutbeck Bridge - Windermere Parish Platter, terraced garden or back yard

34 School Knott Drive and 34 Thornthwaite Road - Windermere & Bowness Civic Society Jug - best domestic garden

High Fells, Windermere Park - windermere Soroptimists, best kept garden

Gill cottage - AJHN Shield, Alternative gardening

The Food Group - TACT Group Trophy - green gardening

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Quarry Rigg Complex - The Walters Trophy, public amenity & spaces