**Bridford Wildlife Gardening Competition**

We want to encourage you to go wild in your garden! Large or small, your garden can be part of a wider network of natural wildlife havens. You can make a huge difference by providing a variety of different habitats in your garden. Here are some ideas:

* Let a patch of lawn grow long
* Create a mini-wildflower meadow
* Make a wildlife pond
* Sow nectar-rich annuals in a pot or border
* Create a bug or bee hotel
* Create a hedge for wildlife
* Create suitable habitats for reptiles and amphibians

Lots of ideas and help available through these weblinks: https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/gardening;https://wildlifegardenproject.com/; <https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/wildlife-garden>; https://www.devonwildlifetrust.org/discover-wildlife/wildlife-devon/your-garden; https://www.devonwildlifetrust.org/actions/

**We are offering a prize for the best entry in each class. Prizes have been generously donated by Teign Valley Nursery, Teign House Inn and Whippletree Farm.** Entries can be for established projects or new ones developed this year and we are offering 3 classes: for adults, children and for smallholders/landowners.

To enter please complete the form below and return it to the telephone box in the village. Alternatively, you can complete an online form here: <https://form.jotform.com/kittyindevon/wildlife-gardening-competition>.Entries will be judged by Paul French. Paul is the Chair of the Bridford&Teign Valley Garden Club and is also involved with ACT (Action on Climate in Teignbridge), and the Teign Climate Hub. Judging will take place at the beginning of August and Paul will visit the gardens/smallholdings that have entered and will ask a few questions to find out what was involved in theproject, and what the benefits are to wildlife. We will seek permission to photograph projects to publicise winners and runners-up.*For Terms and Conditions see:* [*https://bridfordvillage.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Terms-and-Conditions.docx*](https://bridfordvillage.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Terms-and-Conditions.docx)

Good luck!

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**Entry form for Bridford Wildlife Gardening Competition**

Name:………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Address (must be in Parish of Bridford)……………………………………………………………………………………………..

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Phone No …………………………………………………Email address …………………………………………………………………

Please tick class of entry: Adult ……….. Child 16 and under …………..Smallholder/landowner …………

**Closing date for entries 30th June 2022.** Please return form to telephone box in village. Enquiries to: [wildlifewarden@bridfordvillage.co.uk](mailto:wildlifewarden@bridfordvillage.co.uk)