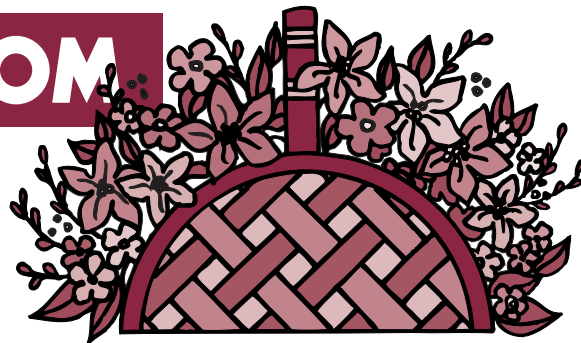


# BILLERICAY IN BLOOM



2009 is the twelfth year of the popular Billericay in Bloom competition and this year will see the addition of two new categories: Best Topiary Design and Best Garden Design. The closing date for applications is Monday 29th June 2009 and judging will take place on Sunday 5th July and Monday 6th July with the prizegiving taking place on Friday 17th July at Canon Roche Social Centre. The BBC Essex Radio presenter Ken Crowther will be in attendance to present the prizes and talk about The Changing World of Gardening.

The Town Council thank this year's sponsors: Waitrose, Billericay Nurseries, Mayflower Twinning, Bedwells, Chequers Public House, Billericay Cook Shop/Emporium, Bennetts Funeral Directors, Lions Club of Billericay, Accountants Firm Michael Letch Partners Ltd and Billericay Rotary Club.

Please note that all rear gardens/vegetable gardens/hanging baskets will where possible be judged on Sunday the 5th July 2009. *If you will be away please make arrangements with a neighbour for the judges to gain access and make sure the Town Clerk knows that you have given permission.*

**Judging:** Sunday 5th July and Monday 6th July 2009

**Prizegiving:** Friday 17th July 2009 at Canon Roche Social Centre, Laindon Road

## Billericay in Bloom 2009 Entry Form

I wish to enter the following categories:

- A – Best Kept Small Front Garden (1000 sq.ft or less)\*
- B – Best Kept Large Front Garden (more than 1000 sq.ft)
- C – Best Kept Small Back Garden (1500 sq.ft or less)\*
- D – Best Kept Large Back Garden (more than 1500 sq.ft or less)\*
- E – Best Hanging Basket
- F – Best Sheltered Accommodation Garden
- G – Best School Garden
- H – Best Commercial Premises
- I – Best Public House
- J – Best Miniature Garden in a Pot (Primary Schools only)
- K – Best Vegetable Plot (minimum 10ft x 6ft, must be within confines of property)
- L – Best Topiary Hedge – **NEW CATEGORY**
- M – Best Garden Design – **NEW CATEGORY**

\* includes paths and drives

**Closing Date:** Monday 29th June 2009

This information will be treated as confidential and used only for the administration of the competition.

Please Note – Only entries within the Billericay Town Council boundaries can be accepted.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No \_\_\_\_\_

**Categories A-D Best Kept Gardens** – Judges will consider all aspects of the garden including the standard and range of plants, general maintenance and design.

**Category E** – Please indicate the location of your hanging basket, e.g. front or back of house, porch etc. \_\_\_\_ If located in the back garden, do you give permission for the judges to enter your premises via side gate etc if you are not there \_\_\_\_ You will be supplied with a label which must be visibly displayed to clearly identify you entered hanging basket.

**Categories A to F inclusive and Categories J, K & L** – No professional help is allowed for these categories.

**Category K – Best Vegetable Plot** – Judges will be looking for the best use of the area and variety of vegetables grown. Pots and grow bags are acceptable.

**Please return this form to:** Billericay in Bloom, Billericay Town Council, The Loft, Crown Yard, High Street, Billericay CM12 9BX

**Enquiries to:** Town Clerk 012 62532

**Email:** townclerk@billericaytowncouncil.gov.uk