## Ecclesfield in Bloom News Letter Autumn 2011

The clocks have gone back and darkness descends earlier each evening giving a bad feeling to many people - not us - we do not have time.

Planting of bulbs and the tidying up of all the planters in and around our village ensures we are well occupied, and you will all from time to time see our members clearing up litter with the "Ecclesfield Scrubbers Group" and weeding flower beds for the benefit of Ecclesfield Village.

No one can have failed to notice all the Spring and Summer blooms throughout the village from St. Mary's Church grounds, Church Street, St Mary's Lane and along High Street, all achieved by the efforts of our "In Bloom" members - a small but effective group of villagers. A serious amount of work was carried out on the Ladycroft Meadow seeding it with wild flowers and installing two benches for our villagers to use.

(We do have a need for new members to join our group, no one has to go to meetings but can attend if they want to, so please come along and join us. We meet in The Stocks Pub on the  $1^{st}$ . Tuesday of each month. What we are up to is on our web site and the Ladycroft Notice Board)

The village was judged by the Royal Horticultural Society judges on two separate occasions, Spring and Summer, and we were awarded the "Yorkshire Rose Silver Certificate", quite a excellent result but this could not have been achieved without the efforts of yourselves who made sure planters and pots were placed in noticeable positions and your gardens nicely tidy, all this was noticed and commented on by the two judges- so on behalf of "Ecclesfield in Bloom Group", thank you to you all.

In order to run our group we do require funding, some we do ourselves but we are also given donations by individuals and local businesses and we are pleased to list below the contributors:-

- AIS Assured Insurance Solutions Ltd
- Angela Fryer
- Joyce Baynes
- Jane and Brian Grace from Breaston, Derbyshire.
- Tracy's Clothing Alterations
- Ecclesfield Welfare Charities
- St. Mary's Lane Trust
- Carter Smith Accountants
- You Choose Event
- Ecclesfield Parish Council (Donation towards Christmas Tree)
- Various anonymous donations

And apologies to anyone we may have missed.



Last years Christmas Fayre/Coffee morning (see above) was so successful that we are holding another. See us on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November at St Mary's Church from 10-00am until 12-30pm.

You will have the opportunity to buy Christmas Trimmings and Toys our celebrated Ecclesfield Christmas Cards (new scenes available this year), Bric-a-Brac and a new stall, Hand Bags and Jewellery including "Bling" not to be missed. So don't miss out on this date, enter it now on your calendar. Tea, Coffee and Cakes will be available to purchase.

The Village Christmas Tree funded by Ecclesfield Parish Council, Ecclesfield in Bloom, Ecclesfield Conservation Group and Parks Revitalisation Group has been ordered and will be erected by our members on 30<sup>th</sup> November ready for singing Christmas Carols at 6pm on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

A New Year is only just around the corner but we are ready for it and hopefully make 2012 a really good Blooming Year. For more information, see <a href="http://ecclesfieldinbloom.co.uk/">http://ecclesfieldinbloom.co.uk/</a>