

Sunday 19 April Day 21 Of the garden journal



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Today the objective was to refurbish the strawberry beds and to raise them, as last year a hungry badger devastated the crop - smashed through the netting and tipped over the troughs.

Everything is recycled. Two are made from an old copper cylinder (not popular with snails). Edges trimmed with old hose pipe. Middle one is a large fishing box found on the beach at Pett Level. The base frame is all from wood scraps and raised to a great height. Weed suppressant is an off cut of floor covering. Best match to grass. I have to confess - not all my own work except the planting so far, and painting on the wood preservative. Last year's rescued plants to be added tomorrow.

Philippa Strickland



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First red admiral I've had in the garden this year and it kept still on the pieris long enough for me to photo. Those pesky holly blues will not stop long enough - plenty of them this year but no photo yet.



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With my very limited knowledge of cloud formations I would say this is an unusual one this lovely morning, which prompts a question.

Given that there are fewer planes in the air and cars going through the village we must be living in a cleaner environment (ignoring the obvious), so what will be the benefits for the garden? Time will tell I suspect!

Bob Harris



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Our acers...

Libby and Tim Rothwell



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...enjoying...



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...the lovely...



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...weather.



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...and Tim Rothwell