

Oban Spring Clean 2021 photograph competition

Oban Spring Clean at its best

Street sweeps, clean-ups in corners, litter picks in parks and rubbish hauled out of woodlands – Oban has been busy spring cleaning.

Keep Oban Beautiful is feeling boosted after a huge community response for people to spruce up their neighbourhoods – in and out of town.

What is usually held over one weekend at the end of March proved such a hit that what should have lasted two days turned into two weekends. Litter picks were held at all of the towns beaches, on cycle paths, play parks and even by the main A85 road into Oban. In one area of the town alone the group gathered approximately 85 bags of discarded litter and rubbish. The many layers of litter were not all new, and had developed over a very long time.

KOB strongly feels there is an urgent need to think of a way to discourage people from leaving rubbish behind in the first place. Although this is not a new issue, to tackle the litter problem we probably need to team up with wider sectors through an inter-generational approach.

Photo Challenge

The group has put the success of the annual clean up party down to a photo challenge competition which was run for the first time.

People out and about by themselves, in families or their bubbles, who took on the tidy-up challenge were invited by KOB to send in their photographs for a chance of winning prizes from Hinba Coffee Shop in George Street and BID4Oban.



There were 27 entries with over 76 photos and 5 video clips. KOB was very impressed with the high standard of contributions and efforts, but went through a difficult selection process and decided on seven winners and one honourable mention. Each winner will be given either a Love Oban voucher donated or a voucher donated by Hinba Coffee Roasters.

Winning images can be downloaded here:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14WBcrZ-bOP7_cM834MXRu5Q4uISb27T_r?usp=sharing

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ABOUT KEEP OBAN BEAUTIFUL

Keep Oban Beautiful (KOB) is an environmentally-focused community group based in Oban. Established in February 2017. KOB is the aim of local people who are passionate about Oban and who believe that the town could be an even more attractive place for residents and visitors alike. KOB intends to support the on-going community involvement in beautifying Oban in various ways, whether by encouraging residents to protect and plant trees, helping to look after flower beds, clearing litter from our streets, cleaning the beaches and most importantly, getting together with like-minded members of our community. Together we can make a difference!

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