

### **NPWW 2017 - Measuring the success**

The fifth annual National Plants at Work Week is over. We are very grateful to <u>Nieuwkoop-Europe</u> who sponsored the week. Now, we'd like to share some results with everyone.

#### **The Green Telephone Box**

We started the week by setting up a temporary 'hot desk' in a red telephone box! As work is carried out everywhere and anywhere now we thought this was a good idea.



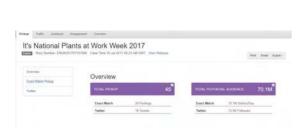
#### The release

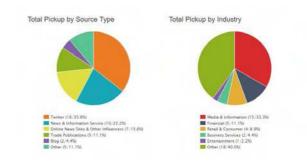
efig Ambassador Ian Drummond very kindly decorated the telephone box and posed for the photographer.

We sent <u>the release</u> about this green, hot-desk hub out at 9a.m. on Monday 10 July via PR Newswire so that it would reach the largest possible potential. We also forwarded it to the FM and HR media sector and to the horticultural sector.

We are pleased to show you some of the statistics from this.

- It had a total pick up of 41with 29 exact matches
- It's potential reach was 70,125,375 (last year 76,719,698)
- Including Yahoo! PR Newswire's news portal, several German distribution sites, Wallstreet online, other sites around the world including Canada, Mexico, India and Sweden
- Blog site in Sweden







Independently, the release was circulated to the FM and horticultural press and was picked up by

- Premises and Facilities Management online
- Pro Landscaper
- Horticulture Week
- The Florist
- Planteria.eu

#### **Webinars**

We added a new video this year with 10 key facts about the benefits of plants in the workplace and many of the images showing Nieuwkoop's offices. If you missed it during the week, you can see it here.



National Plants at Work Week 10-14 July 2017 #PlantsatWorkWeek sponsored by @Nieuwkoop\_GB

#### **Favourite Office Plant 2017**

Following tradition, we also announced this year's judges' choice of the Favourite Office Plant of the Year, the Aspidistra elatior.



The information about this on social media was one of the most viewed posts on Facebook and the website.

We followed the announcement with a more in-depth look at the two runners-up, the Pilea and the Sedum morganianum.

#### **NPWW leaflets**

We sent members a hundred copies of a leaflet dedicated to NPWW with plant benefits.







#### Read Part 2 here and Part 3 here.

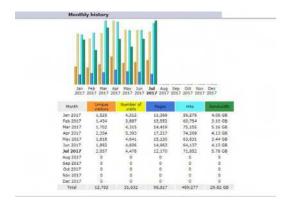
#### The website

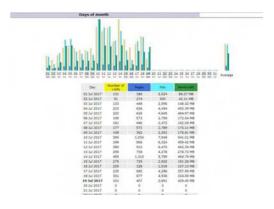
Published on the website during National Plants at Work Week 2017

- A pieces about decorating the green, hot-desking telephone box
- 19 case studies from members who received gold awards this year that's more than double last years
- Announcement of this year's Favourite Office Plant Aspidistra
- Background stories to the top three plants in the contest to find Favourite Office Plant 2016: Aspidistra, Pilea and Sedum morganianum
- Joanna's visit to her son's school to talk about plants

#### **Website visitors**

- We had 49,271 visits to the site over 11 days when most of the case studies were posted (30,520 from 10 14 July 3,000+ more visits than last year)
- There have been 4,478 unique visitors to the site this month to date (that's 3 times more than last year)
- The news item about the green, mobile office had 243 hits
- the NPWW dedicated page on the website had 430 hits
- The post about the Aspidistra had 430 hits
- The post about Joanna's school visit received 262 hits
- Members' case studies received between 74 and 262 hits each





#### Social media

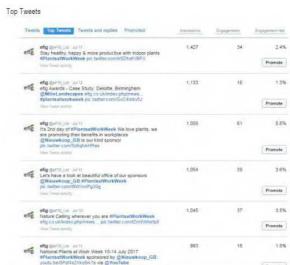
We reported the green, telephone hot-desk on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn as part of our on-going communications throughout the week.



Our social media campaign continued by promoting all the stories featured on the website and from members' and others' Tweets and postings on Facebook and LinkedIn.

We reached 63.4K people via our Twitter over the 5 days 10 - 14 July taking it up to 71.9K from 8 - 16 July. That is a huge increase on last year when we reached 38.6K over 7 days.



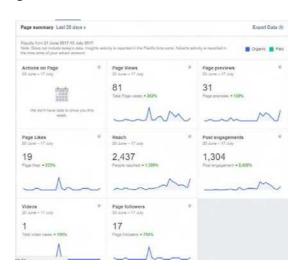


#### **Facebook**

On Facebook we covered most of the NPWW posts on the dedicated page but sharing some on efig's own page too.

We reached 1,575 via the NPWW dedicated page throughout the week.



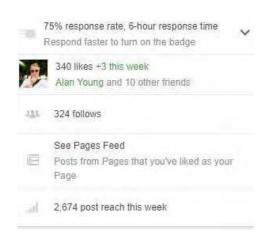


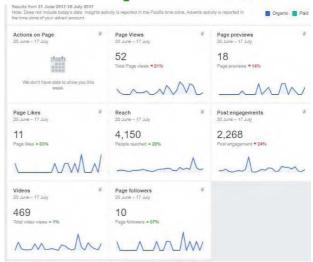
#### Over the week

Over the month 21/6 - 18/7

And 2,674 on efig's own page. That's over 4,000 in total and that's more than double our reach for NPWW last year.







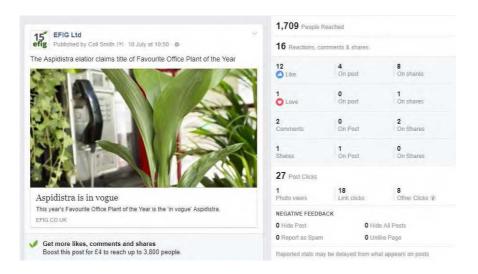
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The best performing post on the NPWW page was the post about plants cleaning the air



The best performing post on efig's FB page was about the Aspidistra





Things we loved most about this year's National Plants at Work Week:

• Obviously the green, hot-desk telephone box!





- Our new video on YouTube
- Our infographic





• Nieuwkoop's sponsorship and their great, green office photos



Joanna's school visit



• The plant giveaways by Plant Designs, Green Team Interiors, Ambius, Enterprise Plants and Urban Planters



Plant Designs ready



Ben at GTI preparing for the give aways at their pop up stands throughout the week  $\,$ 

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They also organised a raffle for our Wimbledon themed Carousel display was such a success we created an additional smaller display for the runner up. Both winners were very happy with their prizes.





Ambius ready to go







Urban Planters ready for the week





**Enterprise Plants** 

Many of those who received plants from Plant Designs tweeted using #plantsatworkweek and of course @PlantDesignsLdn adding to the Twitter traffic.





Plant designs Deskies





Enterprise Plants took a pop-up desk to County Hall and Moor House to promote the message of plants in the workplace by talking to staff at both locations.

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They also had a live Venus Fly Trap (aka Richard Overall) on hand to answer questions!

Enterprise Plants technicians handed out NPWW leaflets and plants throughout the week asking the recipients to take selfies which EP then tweeted. Enterprise Plants also supplied extra plants and two mobile green walls and attended the London Tree and Woodland awards on the Tuesday evening.

Indoor Garden Design decorated the Telephone box and took the leaflets to the RHS London Urban Garden Show.



There were also a number of 'Greenies' throughout the week tweeted by efig members:







This is just a small sample of all the posts we received during the week. These are two montages of photos submitted by members on social media through the week - and even these don't show the magnitude of the efforts put in by members and others.

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Finally, a big thank you to **Nieuwkoop** again for their sponsorship and to everyone who took part and made it such a successful week.