

Saturday 29th November: “A Pressing Engagement” in Kington

Community Apple Juicing in Plac-de-Marine Market area from 11am-3:30pm. Bring your washed apples and containers to make your own juice using our KLEEN hand-operated community presses which can also be borrowed for home use.

Saturday 29th - Sunday 30th November; Saturday 6th - Sunday 7th December: Easters Wood

Restoration and Enhancement of Easters Millenium Wood, Leominster. This project includes creation of new paths, coppicing, thinning, tree planting and erection of bird and bat boxes. Some of the work will be done over these two weekends and volunteers are very welcome. Please bring thick gloves and a drink. Contact 01568 780886 or folley.farm@btinternet.com to find out times and meeting place.

Sunday 30th November: Champion Trees of Hergest Croft - Walk & Talk

Hergest Croft Gardens is the Banks' family garden where four generations have been passionate gardeners and distinguished dendrologists. It comprises one of the 'the most extensive private arboreta in Britain' with over 85 champion trees. Set in 70 acres, the walk will include the Gardens, the Park and the medieval Park Wood. Stout shoes required. The walk leader will be Rowan Griffiths, the gardener responsible for cataloguing the collection. 11:30am to 3:30pm bring a packed lunch.

Monday 1st December: Walk around Croft Woods

Pete Blench will lead a walk in Croft Woods, near Leominster. It will include Fishpool Valley, and some of the magnificent heritage trees. Meet at 10.30am at Croft Castle car park. (The National Trust make a charge for this) Wear waterproofs and strong footwear, and bring a drink and snack. More information from 01568 780886

Tuesday 2nd December: Our famous Tree Quiz Slide Show, back by popular demand!

This is a chance to test your arboreal knowledge whilst quaffing excellent local beer. Our crack team of Archie Miles, Mike Townsend and Richie Cotterill will set the questions; slide-projection led "I-Spy Trees" rounds and generally keep order. Prizes, bit of food to help focus; all you have to do is turn up either solo (£2) and join up with others, or as a ready-made team of three (£5). Register from 7:30pm, quiz starts 8:00 pm - Barrels Brewery Room, St. Owen's Street, Hereford. More info: 01432 352559

Thursday 4th December: Circular Guided Walk from Breinton Springs car park (SO473396)

Starts at 2pm Discover the riverside landscape of Breinton along the West of Hereford Heritage Trail, so close to Hereford City. Hear about the archaeology, history, ancient woodland, wildlife and more. Includes a stop for tea at Warham House as guests of Vicki and Stephen Wegg-Prosser (no charge, but donations to Herefordshire Tree Forum welcomed). Complete walk about 2 miles, paths not suitable for wheelchairs. Return to Breinton Springs before 4.30pm. Prior booking is not necessary. Phone 01432 279713 or 07917620222 for more details.

Thursday 4th December: Trees and Flooding

Mike Townsend, OBE, Principal Advisor to the Woodland Trust, will speak on the theme of Trees and Flooding and how trees can play an important role in both helping to reduce flood risk and improve water quality. 7.30pm at The Community Centre, School Road, Leominster. This can be easily reached from Broad Street car park. More information from 01568 780886

Friday 5th December: “Kington Trees Talk” 7:30pm at MAP (Old Police Station), Kington,

Kington Area Tree Mapping, Firewood Allotments, Community Orchards and Fruit Tree Planting with Kington Tree Warden, Richie Cotterill. (Featuring a slide-led iSpy Trees of Kington just for fun). For more information contact Richie on 07777 661252 or email richie@momentary-lapse.co.uk

Saturday 6th December: Herefordshire's very own Tree-Huggers Ball! From 7 – 11 pm at the Hinton

Community Centre, Ross Road, Hereford HR2 7RJ. Great music; Great company and a Great cause. . Bringing the country to town with two famous local bands and a duo “from off” – Incorporating traditional folk, found sounds and English psychedelia into their music, *Sproatly Smith* are denizens of the folklore-soaked borderlands of Herefordshire; original off-the-wall punky-country-folk from brother and sister duo *Diego Brown & The Good Fairy*; songs about skeletons in the cupboard, the graffiti up the road, foxes - that sort of thing, they're a bit Carpenters on a lost weekend in Twin Peaks (be prepared to join in!); and Laughable, Topical & Danceable! ‘*The Boy & the Flatpack Band*’ take important issues like Climate Change, Allotments (with fanfares!), Trees, Technology & Consumer Culture, presenting them in tightly orchestrated pop forms (featuring trombone, flute & sax) - kind of Bonzos meets the Kinks! Delicious homemade food available; Licenced bar. £5 per head on door. More info: 01432 352559

Sunday 7th December: Fruit Tree Planting - Kington Community Orchards 12-4pm

On verges, other public spaces and neglected areas around the town; increase local food security and have a fun day working together. See local posters, social media and press for details. For more information contact Richie on 07777 661252 or email richie@momentary-lapse.co.uk

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