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The spirit of the village fete comes to Belper Rugby Club ground for the weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> June with Belper's first ECO festival - the **Belper Goes Green Weekend**. The festival, organised by **Transition Belper**, will be a celebration of the talent and resourcefulness of local people and will have something for everyone. There's no requirement to be an eco-warrior to come along and enjoy local beers, Derbyshire food and home-grown entertainment. You don't need to be an avid recycler to admire some of the incredible arts and crafts – created by recycling unwanted materials - that will be on display, and you don't need to have a great talent to get stuck in, take part and have some fun.

Bring some unwanted clothes or plants and swap them for others that take your fancy or have a go at being a catwalk model in our fun fashion show – fashion for ordinary folk so Kate Moss and Brad Pitt can sit this one out. Join one of our workshops and make a puppet or a mosaic heart or help make a giant willow figure and then leave a sealed bid if you'd like to give it a home in your garden. Or bring your bike and have a go on the bike skills test circuit and then learn how to mend a puncture. Follow all that with some relaxing natural treatments in the health and well-being zone.

If you want to save energy there will be displays of efficient boilers, solar hot water panels and other Glow-worm products, energy efficient LED lighting and the 'Fantastic Home' display with all sorts of energy saving tips and ideas. We'll also have Derbyshire County Council's recycling display and ideas for water saving from Severn Trent.

For those in the DE56 area interested in making a brilliant low carbon future into the 2030s and beyond we'll have various ways you can have your say and get involved in planning Belper's future.

Other local charities and campaigning organisations will also be there to raise funds and express their point of view – that Transition Belper don't necessarily agree with. You make your own mind up.

Attractions, activities and stalls booked so far include...

**Beer Festival** - In the clubhouse there will be 20 or so real ales, many of them from local brewers. The Beer Festival kicks off at 6.00pm on Friday 31st May until 11.00pm. Saturday and Sunday opening is 12.00 midday until 11.00.

#### **Entertainment:**

- **Saturday 2.00pm – QHQ** - members of the **Rough Truffles Choir** will entertain us with their four part harmonies, followed at 3.00pm by Wirksworth favourites, **Fathom** with their gentle acoustic covers. At 4.30 we'll be treated to an acoustic set from Belper rockers, **Riptide** and from 7.00pm we'll hear from **Beeker and the Temperance Society Blues band**.
- **Sunday 2.00pm** will be the Clothes Swap fashion show - if we have sufficient volunteers to be models - followed by the Belper youth talent showcase. Another opportunity for young talented Belper musicians to shine.

**Cecilia** will not only entertain us with tunes on the hurdy gurdy throughout both days but you can have a quick 15 minute lesson and the chance to have a go yourself.

#### **Home Energy Zone:**

- Generous sponsors, **Glow-worm**, who will be bringing their renewable and low energy technologies to showcase including boilers, heat pumps, hybrid systems and solar thermal,
- **City Electrical Factors** and their partners will be displaying a range of LED lighting and other low energy devices,
- Marches Energy Agency's **Fantastic Home** courtesy of Amber Valley Borough Council shows you how to save energy in your home and will be with us on Sunday,
- **Apex Carbon Solutions** will demonstrate insulation methods and give advice on all aspects of insulation, renewable energy and the Green Deal
- **Severn Trent** saving water display - sign up for water saving gadgets
- **Transition Belper**'s stall with details of all our activities and projects
- **Derbyshire ECO Centre** will be bringing a hand-powered scalextrics set

#### **Food Zone:**

- **Fresh Basil** including their famous paella pan
- Derbyshire food and tasters from **Brown and Green**
- Gluten and wheat free cakes and desserts from **Cooper Cakes** (Saturday only)
- Fresh organic vegetables from **Green Health** who will also bring their bicycle powered smoothie maker
- **Sound Bites** from Derby with their local organic fair trade food and eco household products (Sunday only)
- **Cooking with leftovers** - Sunday afternoon demonstrations with Fresh Basil and Greg Broadbent of Godfrey's Cafe Bistro in Duffield
- Cooking on an open fire - demonstrations from **Green Health**
- Young entrepreneurs, **Rachael Howarth** and **Emma Nazaruk** will be selling their delicious cakes and **Mark** will be offering his home-baked bread.

#### **Arts, crafts and recycling zone:**

- **Transition Belper Recycling stall** with amazingly creative ideas for turning trash into treasure with Lynne Henley.
- **Derbyshire County Council** Recycling Roadshow with great giveaways and ideas,
- **Abi Sawyer** will be showing off her recycled wall hangings and running workshops at 1.00 and 4.00 on both days. There will be a small participation charge to cover the cost of materials,
- **Clothes Swap** - bring your clean and reasonable quality (or at least repairable) unwanted clothes and take away a new look to your wardrobe. We're looking for 8 volunteers to act as models - not Kate Moss or Brad Pitt but ordinary folk - to put on a Sunday afternoon fashion parade with clothes from the swap. Contact us to volunteer,
- Wine Bottle Crafts with **Jules Mountenay** who creates art from recycling wine bottles,
- **Christine Gray** makes mosaics from recycled glass and other materials. Join her to make a mosaic heart to take home,
- **Karen Willams** will be bringing her beautiful work to sell and display - these sculptures are made from recycled material. Karen will also have some partly made sculptures on display so you can see how it's done,
- **Emma Parkins** will be bringing her Junky Monkey puppet making workshop - join in and make a puppet,
- **Ali Clark** and Stripecy Line Stitchery will have items made from reclaimed fabric on display and for sale,

- Another young businesswoman straight from the recent Youth Market, **Kitty Bea**, will be selling home-made jewellery,
- **Rustic Wood Craft** get creative with the offcuts from their tree pruning work. The products will be on sale and there will be chain-saw demonstrations of the creative process.
- As seen in King Street and the Derby Telegraph **Carole Beavis** brings her willow sculpture work. Come and have a go at making a giant willow figure - or perhaps something more modest. We'll decide what to do with your creations later.

#### **Health and Wellbeing zone:**

- Saturday only - allergy testing and kinesiology with **Jo Dall**
- Sunday only - fabric nappy advice with **Lisa Israel**
- Indian head massage, Dorn treatments and reiki with **Annette Steele**
- **Weleda** 'in harmony with you group'
- **Green Emporium** – eco-friendly health, beauty and household products (Sunday)

#### **Bike zone with Belper Girl Guides:**

- Bring your bike and try out the fun bicycle skills test circuit
- Bike puncture repair workshop
- **Juicy Bikes** – come and have a go on an electric bike; just the thing for getting up and down Belper's hills

#### **and the rest...**

- Transport – displays and information available from Trent Barton and the Derwent Valley Line
- Amnesty International
- Greenpeace
- Oxfam shop
- East Midlands Air Ambulance shop
- The Green Party

Parking on site for permit and disabled badge holders only. Alternative parking at Babington Hospital, Strutts Community Centre and Derwent Street Car Park.

For more information and links to most of those mentioned above go to <http://www.transitionbelper.org/belper%20goes%20green.html>

The web page will be updated as more details are confirmed.

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