



Welcome

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to all those who subscribed to the Transition Belper Newsletter at the amazing Youth Market a couple of weeks ago. Do have a look at the web site and our Facebook page for a better idea of all that is happening at the moment - there's quite a lot!

Green Drinks

Each month we have a social evening to sit around and have a natter over a pint - May's 'Green Drinks' will be in the back room of the **Old King's Head on Days Lane** from 7.30 pm tomorrow evening (20th May) and we'd love to see you all there.

Transport Group Meeting

The Travel and Transport Group will be meeting in the Old Kings Head at 7.30 pm on Thursday 23rd May - if you're interested in helping Belper reduce it's transport related CO2 emissions please do come along or contact [Jennie Lindop](#) for more details.

Belper Goes Green

Belper Rugby Club 1st and 2nd June 2-13

Belper Goes Green will be our first ECO Fest and the list below will give you a good idea of everything that is happening over the weekend of 1st and 2nd June. But we need your help:

To get people contributing to the 'Energy Descent Action Plan' and looking at what sort of Belper (and DE56) we'd like to see in the mid 2030s we'll be asking four questions under the heading of *How can we make Belper Greener?* The questions we're asking are:

- How can we reduce our reliance on fossil fuels? [reply](#)
- How can we produce more of our own food? [reply](#)
- What will be the biggest change to life in Belper by 2030? [reply](#)
- What would make Belper a happier, more positive community? [reply](#)

We'd like a selection of answers to put on post-it notes before the start of the event to try and kick-start an avalanche of creative ideas. If you have some ideas please click the appropriate link and send an email – all responses will be in confidence!

If you can help out at all on either day of the event or setting up on the Friday (31st) or taking down on the Monday please let [David George](#) know. The more volunteers we have the less we'll have to do!



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

Beer Festival - In the clubhouse there will be 25 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**, four harmonious members of the [Rough Truffles](#) Choir will entertain us, 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 [Becker 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.

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 will be with us on Sunday, courtesy of Amber Valley Borough Council, and shows you how to save energy in your home,
- [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 details of all their forthcoming courses and activities as well as their wonderful hand-powered Scalextrics set for us all to play with,
- [Apex Carbon Solutions](#) will be demonstrating various insulation and other low energy solutions to reducing your energy bills and carbon emissions

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 will be with us on Sunday. Look out for their muffins made using flour from Heage Windmill,
- 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 businesswoman, Emmy Nazaruk, will bring us '**The Cakery**'

Arts, crafts and recycling zone:

- **Transition Belper Recycling** stall with amazingly creative ideas for turning trash into treasure with Lynne Henley. [Email](#) her if you have some recycled treasure you'd like to display
- [Derbyshire County Council Recycling Roadshow](#) with great giveaways and ideas,
- [Abi Sawyer](#) will be showing off her recycled wall hangings and running workshops at 12.00 and 3.00 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 Williams](#) 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 its done,
- On Saturday Emma Parkins will be bringing her [Junky Monkey](#) puppet making workshop - join in and make a puppet,
- Ali Clark and [Stripey Line Stitchery](#) will have items made from reclaimed fabric on display and for sale,
- 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.
- David Webley does tree work and garden maintenance but doesn't like to see trees and branches go to waste so his [Rustic Wood Craft](#) skills are used to create all sorts of useful and saleable items from the cuttings. He'll be demonstrating his skill with a chain saw - but far enough from the main stalls to stop the noise becoming a nuisance!
- Hatty Bett - another young entrepreneur fresh from the Youth Market will have her hand made gift tags and accessories available under the [Kitty Bea](#) brand
- [Stutts Community Centre](#) are bringing a selection of second hand books across the road to continue with their fund raising efforts to pay for the installation of a lift

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'
- The [Green Emporium](#) with their ethical, green, natural and organic health, beauty and cleaning products will be with us on Sunday

Bike zone:

- Bring your bike and try out the fun obstacle course - supervised by Belper Guides,
- Bike puncture repair workshop and maintenance advice,
- [Juicy Bike](#) will have several electric bikes for you to have a go on - I can't think of a better way of getting up and down these hills of ours,
- Help us look at Belper's future by completing our transport survey

and the rest...

- **India 2014** - a wonderful group of young people will be selling herbs and seedlings to raise funds to take them to India to take part in a community project next year. They will either be working in an orphanage or helping to build an ECO dome for a community in the Himalayan foothills,
- **Belper Civic Forum** will have their model of Belper Town centre and will be asking your views on what to do with the old Thorntons site and Belper Meadows,
- **Amnesty International**
- **Greenpeace**
- **Oxfam shop**
- **East Midlands Air Ambulance shop**
- **The Green Party**
- **Friends of the Earth**
- **Derby Climate Coalition**

Parking on site for permit and disabled badge holders only. Alternative parking at Babington Hospital, Strutts Community Centre and Derwent Street Car Park. But much better to come on foot or by bike!

Transition Belper Facebook Group

Keep up-to-date with the latest developments and join any discussions on Facebook. [Join us here](#)

Belper's fruit and veg grower's forum

There is a Facebook Group locally for exchanging tips and ideas for your garden and anything to do with growing fruit and veg. [Join the Forum here](#)

Contact

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