

AUTUMN/WINTER EVENTS

THE CENTRE FOR STEWARDSHIP



AFTER THE STORM

If you go down to the woods today... you are sure of a big surprise – particularly if the woods happen to be along the woodland path that leads from Pillars of Hercules Farm shop to Falkland village - where a team of artists, craftsmen, local volunteers and passers-by have been busy creating some spectacular work.

Wood carver Martin Brockman, builder Jamie Proud and colleagues, directed by John Fox, co-director of Dead Good Guides have created a temporary sculptural trail. The work was made by recycling fallen wood left by the winter storms. Support for the project came from a local couple who wanted to support a project in memory of their daughter who died tragically but loved these woods.

Subject to benign elemental and human forces, the trail will remain in the woods till 3rd January, the anniversary of the storm that blew down many thousands of trees in the landscape and millions of trees in central Scotland.

APPLE PRESSING

Do you have some apples? Would you like a supply of apple juice? If so, book in to one of our apple pressing sessions.

October: Mon 15th, Tues 16th, Wed 17th, Mon 22nd. November: Mon 5th, Mon 12th, Mon 19th.

All sessions commence at 10am with training on how to use the machine. You are asked to help clear up afterwards and make a donation of £5 per person to help with the upkeep of the presser.

If you wish to book the apple presser, please contact us.

We hope you enjoy the latest newsletter from the Centre for Stewardship. Even with Big Tent over for another year, it's still a busy time at the Centre and we have a whole range of events and activities based around our themes of wood, food and craft. We hope you enjoy them!

Most events take place or leave from the Centre for Stewardship at the Stables, Falkland Estate. Unless otherwise indicated, all events need booked in advance. You can do this either by booking on-line at www.centreforstewardship.org.uk/events or email info@centreforstewardship.org.uk.

We remain grateful to our funders and supporters including Leader in Fife, SNH, Fife Environment Trust, Zero Waste Scotland, Forestry for the People, Creative Scotland, Fife Council and CVS Action Earth.

If you are interested in our work then we have a range of volunteering opportunities from conservation to waste awareness. Details are available on our website or please give us a call.

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EVENTS AT THE CENTRE FOR STEWARDSHIP

SKILLSHARE SESSIONS

Following the success of our community art project, 'the inside out of the woolly tree' we are delighted to introduce a series of skillshare sessions. Sessions are relaxed and informal, offering participants the chance to ask questions with the artist and to receive one to one tutoring. No experience is necessary and we will cater for all levels of abilities.

Wednesday 24th October

Free Taster Session, 2pm to 4pm

LIVING LOMONDS QUILT PROJECT

Inspired by Patrick Geddes Valley Section stained glass panel, join our new community arts project to make a quilt showing the Lomond and Benarty Hills. As well as the landscape of hills, forests, fields and loch, this could include interesting wildlife, buildings, place names and other features important to people who love these hills. All welcome!

Sunday 28th October

RAG RUGGING WORKSHOP

With artists Jonathan Baxter and Sarah Gittins. During this workshop participants will be invited to learn the art of rag rugging techniques and join the artists in a conversation to discuss current challenges to environmental sustainability and the role of dreams in creating the future we want to inhabit.

Sunday 18th November

UPCYCLING WORKSHOP

With artist Jenny Clark. Enjoy an afternoon of creativity with artist Jenny Clark. Explore ways to recycle and upcycle materials like old clothes and unwanted pieces of jewellery - learn a few simple techniques to give them a whole new lease of life!

Sunday 9th December

CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

With artist Jan Hendry. Learn how to make a beautiful Christmas wreath with natural and locally sourced materials. This workshop will show you how to weave a wreath frame that will last for years for you to then add your own creative flair.

Sunday 27th January

WILD PAINT WORKSHOP

With artist Jan Hendry. We will use natural pigments to make traditional ochre paint, then create bright earth-coloured artworks inspired by woodlands and landscape.

Sunday 24th March

WOOLLY FLOWERS

With artist Tess Darwin. Using very simple knitting and crochet techniques, we will make a bouquet of spring flowers from wool. All materials provided but bring along any oddments of wool you want to use up.

Skillshare sessions costs £25 (£20 concession.). Maximum of 10 spaces. All sessions are from 1.30pm to 4.30pm. (Taster session on 24th Oct is free and from 2pm to 4pm).

Monday 8th to Friday 12th October

CHILDREN'S AUTUMN CLUB

An action packed outdoor week with the Ranger and friends looking at nature, making hibernation boxes, learning about migration/navigation skills, tree planting, stream wading, building campfires, shelter building, cooking with autumn fruits, arts and crafts - and more if we can fit it all in! The week costs £85 per child. 10am to 3.30pm each day.

Friday 2nd November

NIGHT WANDERINGS

Join the Ranger for an evening of storytelling, campfire camaraderie and night wandering to look for owls and animals of the night, gaze into the distant dark skies to see the glowing constellations of stars. Stout shoes/wellies and warm clothing required. Head torches provided but please feel free to bring your own.

£5 for an adult or £10 for one adult and up to 2 children (age 7+).

COOKING WITH FIFE'S FOOD AMBASSADOR,

CHRISTOPHER TROTTER

Author of five books on food and cooking, Christopher Trotter brings an enthusiasm to his cooking demonstrations and workshops which is tangible. Well known in Fife for his work at farmers' markets and food festivals of all sorts, this is an opportunity to get some seasonal ideas, and to ask those questions you have never had the opportunity to ask before!

Demonstrations are designed to help you get the best out of seasonal Fife produce, whatever your skills level. Workshops allow for a more in-depth day for participants to work with Christopher to cook various dishes. All skill levels welcome.

DEMYSTIFYING GAME

Saturday 17th November

Demonstration and lunch

Learn some techniques and recipes for venison, game birds and rabbits. After lunch we will learn to create accompaniments for game dishes.

Sunday 18th November

Workshop and lunch

We will work with venison, game birds and rabbit, make stocks, learn about quick and slow cooking methods and after lunch, try out some sauces and vegetable accompaniments.

THE WHOLE TURKEY

Sunday 2nd December

Demonstration and lunch

We will take the whole bird and deconstruct! We will prepare the bird, make Christmas easy and get some great ideas for what to do with all those leftovers.

Tuesday 4th December

Workshop and lunch

A hands on look at ideas with the turkey. We will look at the whole bird, methods of cooking and accompaniments to make the perfect Christmas meal.

SEASONAL VEGETABLES

Saturday 12th January

Demonstration and lunch

Winter vegetables with lots of ideas for our glorious winter fayre with pulses, pasta and grain.

Sunday 13th January

Workshop and lunch

Not just for vegetarians but also for those looking to make better and more interesting use of their winter vegetables. The focus will be on Scottish vegetables.

Demonstrations cost £35 (£30 conc.). Maximum of 40 spaces. Workshops cost £85 (£80 conc.). Maximum of 12 spaces. Demonstrations and workshops last from 10am to 3pm.

Wednesday 28th November

TALK BY PROF. PETER DAVIS - ECOMUSEUMS

Join us for an evening supper and talk with Professor Peter Davis. Professor Davis will discuss Ecomuseums, his particular research interest and a global phenomenon which started in France and which could take root here in Fife.

Ecomuseums are heritage projects which focus on the identity of places, are created through community participation and (very important) can offer an outlet for local pride and energy. They can help revitalise places that have lost heart and bring positive economic benefits in their wake. At the moment there are about 200 ecomuseums in Europe and 300 world-wide.

Prof. Davis trained in marine sciences, worked in conservation, national parks and museums and helped found the International Centre for Cultural and Heritage Studies at Newcastle University.

Talk will cost £7 (£6 concession). Cost includes supper. Supper commences at 6pm with the talk at 7pm.