

Press Release

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Reviving Traditional Skills

A great opportunity is on offer to Matlock Residents learn the traditional skill of hedgelaying. A free, two day workshop will be held on 17th -18th March as part of the Discover Denefields project in Matlock. The workshop is being organised by Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire using an experienced tutor from College of the Peak. The Discover Denefields project, funded by Matlock Town Council, has seen local volunteers and community groups carrying out a host of activities to improve the ancient hay meadows.

Sarah Massey, Peak and Dales Project Officer for Groundwork, said:

"Traditional land based skills have seen a resurgence in recent years. This workshop offers a great opportunity to learn in a relaxed, local environment with a highly skilled tutor." She continues "By managing and conserving our native hedgerows, we will encourage wildlife rich habitats and a return to the traditional landscape."

Places on the workshop are limited. To book your place contact Sarah Massey on 07966883253.

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FURTHER INFORMATION ...

For further information about this project please contact Sarah Massey on Tel. 07966 883253 or email: sarah.massey@groundwork.org.uk.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES ...

Sat/Sun 17-18th March Denefield Meadows, Hedgerow Laying Workshop.

Other Events

Saturday 10th March 2-4pm Denefield Meadows, Community Wildflower Planting Event.

Sunday 11th March 10am-2pm Hall Leys Park, Family Bird Box Building Day.

ABOUT GROUNDWORK DERBY & DERBYSHIRE ...

Groundwork Derby & Derbyshire is part of a national federation of nearly 50 independent Trusts, covering England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Each Trust works with their partners to improve the quality of the local environment, the lives of local people and the profitability of local business.

Our purpose is “to build sustainable communities through joint environmental action”. We achieve this by encouraging local people, local businesses and other organisations to become involved in practical projects that improve their quality of life, bring about regeneration and lay the foundations for sustainable development. Each year we deliver hundreds of projects in neighbourhoods which are affected by high unemployment and crime levels, poor public health, run down housing and public spaces, waste ground and struggling businesses.

Formerly Groundwork Erewash Valley, Groundwork Derby & Derbyshire was officially launched in October 2006 to cover the SSP areas of Derbyshire, including: South Derbyshire, Erewash, Derby City, Amber Valley, Derbyshire Dales and High Peak. North East Derbyshire, Bolsover & Chesterfield remain with Groundwork Creswell.

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