



So what do we do at Fair Shares?

Here are examples of just some of the many assignments that we have helped with in the forest.

Overgrown gardens in

Coleford. Two of our members in the Coleford area kindly donated some of their hours to help neighbours who's gardens were in need of a serious make over. Thank you for offering not only your hours – but your time!

Painting kitchens in

Coleford and Newent. Two mature ladies and one teenager volunteered to help.

During the couple of hours it took we found out that the lady we helped was a retired hairdresser. Once the work was finished she offered to cut the teenagers hair for him.

A truly perfect example of how Fair Shares works!

We now have 2 members of Fair Shares sitting on the grants panel for Barnwood Trust, helping others to get help!

It's been a busy time at Fair Shares Forest of Dean

This summer has seen a flurry of activity in the forest. Here is an update on what we have been up to

Coleford – A Macmillan Coffee morning held at the Deanholme Community Centre raised over £100. Fair Shares volunteers organised this, baked cakes and held a raffle. We were joined by Barnwood Trust, 2 Rivers Housing Association, The Enablement Team and the local Village Agent. Well done for all your hard work! In addition to this £23 was raised for the cause in Newent which was donated to this event.

NEWENT – We would like to thank our team of volunteers who helped to clean the Chill Out Zone, bake cakes and help run our charity shop stall at the Onion Fayre.



Tea and Tell sessions

We are running some sessions throughout the forest where you can come and discuss issues that may affect you. Join us for free tea, coffee and cake and tell us what you enjoy about where you live, your concerns, and how you might be able to help improve your community.

The next sessions are:

Weds 27th Nov at 2.00 – 4.00, Sheppard House, Newent

Thurs 28th Nov – at 10.30 – 12.00, Goode Court, Lydney



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OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Tues 3rd Dec 10.30 – 12.00
Coffee morning at Western Way Dymock.

We will be moving our usual Chill Out coffee morning to Dymock on the 3rd to celebrate Chris' 60th. All are welcome. If you need a lift let us know and please bring something to share.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES!!!!

Tues 17th Dec Chill Out Zone Newent

Thurs 19th Dec Goode Court, Lydney.

Do you have a project in your 2 Rivers area that we can help with? Let us know!

SPECIAL THANKS to Vivienne Price for organising a balloon race to raise funds for Newent youth. Over £800 has accumulated. The balloon reached Aberdeenshire and the winner of the £50 prize is Mrs Kath Rees.

Thanks also go to all our hard working volunteers.

Are you on your own for Christmas?



Don't feel you have to be alone at Christmas. If you live in the Newent area then you may want to join our participants in the Chill Out Zone.

One of our participants (Penny Mail) has very kindly offered to hold Christmas dinner at the Chill Out Zone for members who may otherwise be alone. If you would like to join in on the festivities, or just want some company then please contact us to book a place. We would also ask that you give a donation to help cover costs. More details will be available on booking. Places are limited.

Would you like to help someone over Christmas? Please let us know. There are many people who would appreciate your kindness.

Home Start

We recently held a meeting to explore the possibility of a Home Start Project in the forest. It has raised considerable interest. We will keep you informed of any progress.

Can you help?....

Do you enjoy cooking? Do you have a special recipe that brings happy memories? Are you interested in helping to create a community cookbook across all Fair shares Time Banks?

If so send your favourite recipes to us together with your name, address and contact number (Recipes can be sent until end of February 2014).

Friday 29th Nov – Help with the Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's Church, Newent

Sat 30th Nov – Volunteers needed to help with our stall at the Christmas Lights.

Sat 7th Dec - volunteers needed to help with our charity shop stall in Coleford town centre.

GARDENERS NEEDED!!!!!!!

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