## Fair Shares News

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#### Can you help?....

### Newent Initiative is looking for volunteers.

There are several upcoming positions for volunteers within the Newent Initiative Trust,
Newent

#### **Band Concerts**

Arranging bookings and helpers rota 20 hrs in total concentrated in November and the summer months. Admin skills required and enjoys meeting people.

#### Books of walks

Supply local shops with Newent books of Walks. 20 hrs in total.

#### Youth Workers

Hours to suit. Enjoy helping young people. Can be on weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis.

If you are interested in finding out more about these voluntary positions, then please contact

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# Fair Shares launches into 2014 with a spring in its step!

With so much to consider, this newsletter is all about our plans for the coming year!

We have been busy spending January asking all our groups and participants what they would like to do in the coming year and what interests them or what they think they would like to get everyone involved with. It's quite a list so this newsletter is dedicated to giving you an update of plans and suggestions. Dates may need to be confirmed later but this will give you food for thought......

#### PLANNED TRIPS FOR 2014

Area	Activity	Proposed dates
Newent Area	Aunt Martha's Tea Room	March
	Eastnor Castle	End of July
	Harts Barn	May
Coleford/	Aunt Martha's Tea Room	April
Lydney area		
	Bourton-on-the-water	June
	Harts Barn	September

Don't forget all the other planned activities we have for this year including regular coffee mornings in Lydney, Newent and Mile End, and the new walks planned for Coleford. More to follow.........



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#### Teddy Bears,

Mothers Union in Newent has launched a campaign to help children in trauma. This could be an accident, fire, hospital operation or a police incident. These services will give out knitted Teddies to children in these situations. M.U. need an army of knitters to help supply 120 teddies a month. If you would like to help with this by knitting or donating wool please let us know. We have copies of the pattern on request.

#### Litter Picking

Do you have an area of common land that needs a litter pick? Would you like to volunteer around the forest or in your area to litter pick. If so, the local PCSO's have high vis jackets and tools that can be used. They are also happy to support an organised pick.

#### Thursday Coffee morning

Would you like to see the Chill Out Zone open for coffee on Thursday again? If so would you be willing to be on a rota? We are also looking for cake donations/makers.

## Fair Shares supports the communities in the forest

There are so many activities throughout the forest. We are highlighting some in case you would like to help promote or even take part. Maybe it's not for you, but you know someone who might enjoy it?

#### Goode Court

Coffee morning activities are being planned to include a local historian talk, a classic film show and a Tea Dance. Join us on the last Wed of the month at 10.30 am.

#### Coleford

Monthly Walks will begin in February – dogs welcome! Sponsored walk in April – ask Eve for details and sponsorship help. Parachute Jump!!!!! Eve is doing this in August and we will organise a trip to watch.

#### Newent

Newent Day – June 15<sup>th</sup>. We have a stall for the 'Beach Themed' day and would like ideas for what we can do!
Onion Fayre – As always we need ideas and volunteers
Christmas lights – All helpers and ideas welcome!
100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1<sup>st</sup>
World War – We will be helping where we can



The Newent group enjoying another successful Christmas party at the Chill Out Zone, Newent. Join us every week on Tuesdays at 10.00

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