

News from Fulbourn Forum

for community action

Sent 12 October 2024

Dear All,

We had a good day at the Apple Pressing on 29 September with plenty of enthusiastic helpers, young and old, and enough apples to give us over 140 pasteurised bottles. Many thanks to everyone. Some bottles of Fulbourn Apple Juice will be available to buy at the community market on 30 November. We had a few apples over which we took for distribution at a Cambridge Food Bank. A good day also at the Litter Pick on 6 October with around 30 adults and 14 children volunteering, resulting in over 50 bags filled. Most of the village and parish was covered, with just a few small areas left to do. Again, huge thanks to everyone involved. If you see any litter that we missed, do please pick it up if you can!

Please find below details of the following events and activities:

- **Fulbourn Repair Cafe** 9 November. Booking in of items for repair is now open.
- **Fulbourn Fen Nature Reserve Work Parties** 2024-25. List of dates.
- **Film documentary *Six Inches of Soil***. 15 November. Fulbourn. Booking details below.
- **Film documentary *Fugolburna***. Eddington. Hosted by Transition Cambridge. Booking details below.

Fulbourn's Repair Cafe

Saturday 9 November 2024, 2.00 to 5.00pm, in the Townley Hall, Fulbourn Centre

This event is now open for booking

It is best to book in your item online by following the link below to the booking form:

<https://bit.ly/fulbournnov24>

Alternatively, you may email the address below with a short description of the item and problem:

southcambs@repaircafe.org.uk

You may turn up on the day, but please note that you may have to wait or come back later. This is subject to a suitable repairer being present.

The service is free, but a voluntary donation, if you are able, is very welcome to help cover the cost of the hall hire and other expenses and overheads such as repair equipment and materials. No other outside funding is available to us. The repairers, administrators and cafe helpers are all volunteers.

Refreshments will be available all afternoon for a donation. We can accept cash or cards for any donation, but cash is preferable in the cafe.

This will be Fulbourn's twelfth Cafe, again run by Fulbourn Forum for community action in association with Cambridge Carbon Footprint. The aim is to reduce the things that end up in landfill, and possibly get a second life. There are no promises or guarantees, but repairers are keen to teach visitors how to repair the item themselves (where appropriate), or for them to watch while the repair is undertaken/attempted.

Fulbourn Fen Nature Reserve Work Parties 2024-2025

The first work party for the winter/spring months is Sunday 20 October, 10.00am to 1.00pm.

Dates for the whole season are:

Sunday 20 October	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 10 November	1.00pm to 4.00pm (note different time)
Sunday 8 December	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 5 January	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 2 February	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 2 March	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 13 April	10.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday 11 May	10.00am to 1.00pm

Meet at the bottom of Stonebridge Lane by the entrance to the Nature Reserve.

Sturdy footwear, long trousers, and tough gardening gloves are essential, with clothing suitable for possibly cold fen mornings. Children are very welcome, although younger ones must be supervised at all times. Refreshments (tea, coffee, biscuits) are usually provided, but may not be available on 20th October, so please bring your own flask if you wish.

If you require further information, please contact the Wildlife Trust local volunteer warden Pete Montgomery - pete.monty@gmail.com

Screening of Documentary Film 'Six Inches of Soil'

Friday 15 November 2024, 7.30pm, in the Townley Hall, Fulbourn Centre

Booking details below.

Fulbourn Forum is hosting a screening of this acclaimed documentary which tells the story of remarkable farmers, communities, small businesses, chefs and entrepreneurs who are leading the way to transform how our food is produced and consumed.

Entry to the event is free, but we will be requesting a small, voluntary donation, if you are able, to help us to cover the costs of the film licence and the hall hire. A donation can be made by cash or card. Refreshments will be

available from the Fulbourn Institute bar. The film runs for 1 hr 36 mins, and will be followed by a short Q&A session.

Please register for the film at Eventbrite:

<https://bit.ly/sixinchesofsoil>

Further information about the film can be found in our September 2024 Newsletter sent on 27 August.

Screening of Documentary Film *Fugolburna: stream frequented by birds?*

Thursday 28 November 2024, 7.30pm, at the Storey's Field Centre, Eddington Avenue, Eddington

Hosted by **Transition Cambridge**, this will be the fourth screening of Fulbourn Forum's documentary, being a call to protect and restore Fulbourn's and the Wilbraham's iconic chalk streams and springs which are currently in crisis. First shown at Fulbourn Forum's AGM on 10 May, the film also celebrates the beautiful Fulbourn Fen Nature Reserve, and shows the efforts made by the local community and environment groups to support nature recovery, and to maintain and improve the health of local ecosystems.

Tickets may be purchased from Transition Cambridge via the link below:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/transitioncambridge/1374388>

The screening is followed by a Q&A discussion about the film and the issues raised.

Some comments on the film received by email:

"Congratulations on your film, Fugolburna. It is very beautiful and it makes a very good case for the protection of the chalk streams and other wetland habitats in this area."

"...it's a brilliant demonstration of community action on a local environmental concern and very powerful with the efficacy of that political message."

Best wishes,

David Cottee

on behalf of **Fulbourn Forum** for community action

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