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The Mayor of Broxtowe (Councillor JB White) launches one of the new Canal-side Interpretation Boards at Beeston Lock last month, with Steven Hare of Groundwork Greater Nottingham (which produced the boards), and representatives from British Waterways, the Countryside Commission, Broxtowe Borough Council, the Inland Waterways Association and Beeston Marina. A second board has been set up at Castle Lock in the centre of Nottingham.

CHRISTMAS RECYCLING!

Christmas can be the time when we waste the most, with all the paper, cards and trees purchased in the festive season. Groundwork Greater Nottingham's recycling events on 4th and 5th January offer an easy way for you to make a 'green', start to the year, by turning your trees into valuable garden mulch - and helping to reduce the strain on landfill sites. A series of other recycling events - for both trees and cards - are also being organised in the area.

The two events being held by Groundwork Greater Nottingham are as follows -

- * Saturday 4th January (10am-4pm) at B&Q, Derby Road, Eastwood.
- * Sunday 5th January (10am-4pm) at Sainsbury's Homebase, Castle Marina Park, Nottingham.

These events are being supported by Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottingham City Council, Biffa Waste Services, Sainsbury's Homebase and Action Earth (supported by the Department of the Environment). New support has also been enlisted from Broxtowe Borough Council, B&Q (Eastwood) and Access Now.

At both sites the general public are invited to bring along their Christmas tree, watch it being chipped on site and returned to them as a bag of mulch for the garden. Christmas cards will also be recycled at both events as part of the Greenwood Community Forest scheme.

The following local organisations are also organising recycling events -

- * 2-12 January. Groundwork Ashfield and Mansfield are organising a series of events for both trees and cards. *Contact Jo Booth on 01623 635334.*
- * 4-5 January. 10am-4pm at McDonald's Car Park, Chilwell (organised by Broxtowe Borough Council).
- * 6-20 January. Brookfield Garden & Leisure Centre (Plains Road) are collecting trees for recycling.
- * The Greenwood Community Forest are holding their Christmas Card Recycling scheme, with over 300 schools collecting cards. *Call 01623 758231 for details.*

For more information contact Sarah Weightman at Groundwork Greater Nottingham on 979 9227.

Green Network News is a monthly publication aiming to share information and build links between all individuals and organisations in the Nottingham and South Notts area with an interest in the environment.

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Apologies for the reduced length of this month issue - caused by illness. Don't forget to put the **Green Network AGM** in your diary - from 7pm on 23rd January at Angel Row library (food will be available for sale from 6.30pm). Members and non-members are welcome to attend. The event will include **Local Speakers**, opportunities for 'networking' with people from a range of different organisations, discussion of plans for the future of Green Network, and displays from local groups.

Speakers will be talking about the success of Nottingham Energy Awareness Project and a local school's 'green' projects. If anyone would like to put forward nominations for the roles of Chair, Treasurer or Secretary, please let me know.

Contact me on 941 7849, or write to me at Green Network, 35-37 St Mary's Gate, Nottingham NG1 1PU. Adam Woodward.

OPEN CAST MINING

A public inquiry into the planning application by RJB Mining (UK) Ltd for open cast mining at Shortwood Farm, between Cossall and Trowell has been fixed to begin on Tuesday 28th January at Trowell Parish Hall. Cossall Robinettes Action Group (CRAG) have organised a walk and cycle for 26th January, to enable local people to show their opposition to open cast mining.

For more information about the campaign please contact Mark Tennant on 930 4769, or Marina Kennedy on 913 9037. Caroline Jeffery (UNU Environment Committee).



Green Network would like to thank Groundwork Greater Nottingham (GGN) for sponsoring this issue. GGN works in partnership with all sectors of the community, to develop & implement environmental projects.
☎ 0115 979 9227.

THE NOTTINGHAM GREEN CALENDAR

JANUARY 1997

- Day Tasks *Tue, Wed, Thur, Sun's* **British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV)** activities: a variety of practical tasks. ☎ 931 3316.
- Day Tasks *Sun's (& other days)* **Notts Wildlife Trust** conservation activities at wildlife reserves around the county. ☎ NWT on 958 8242.
- Monthly **Nottingham EIA (Environmental Investigation Agency)**. 7.30pm. Nott'm Knight, W.Bridgford. ☎ *Lesley Peasant, 01509 235885.*
- Fri 3rd **Greenpeace Youth Group**. 7.30pm. Trent University library, Shakespeare St. ☎ *Megan MacFarlane, 921 2246 to confirm venue.*
- W/E 4-5 **Christmas Tree Recycling** events - see article overleaf.
- Sun 5th **Leen Valley Conservation Volunteers** meeting. 10.30am at Rise Park Community Centre. ☎ 975 5169 for details.
- Mon 6th **Greenpeace Support Group** meeting at The Navigation, Wilford St, Near Canal St. ☎ *David Meatcher on 925 7186.*
- Tue 7th **Oxfam Campaigning Group** meeting. 7.30pm, upstairs at the Bell Inn, Market Square.
☎ *David Eminson at the Oxfam Campaigns office on 942 3892.*
- Mon 13th **Nottingham Churches Environment Network** meeting. 7.15pm for 7.30pm, **Mansfield Road Baptist Church**.
☎ *Paula Reynolds on 948 3500 ext 6123.*
- Mon 13th **Nottingham Permaculture Association** meeting. ☎ *Phil Corbett on 947 4977 for details.*
- Tue 14th **Nottingham Women's Environmental Network** meeting. 1.15pm at 5 Meynall Grove, Sherwood Rise, Nottingham. ☎ 960 5843.
- Tue 14th **NOGS (Nottingham Organic Gardeners)** meeting. ☎ *Rob Williams on 922 8617.*
- Tue 14th **Friends of the Earth** meeting. 7.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Clarendon Street. ☎ *Tim Gray on 922 3439.*
- Wed 15th **Wollaton Natural History Society**, from 7.30pm at Wollaton Church Hall. £1. All Welcome.
- Thur 16th **Notts Transport 2000** meeting. 7.30pm at the Tom Hoskins pub, near Nottingham BR Station. ☎ *Ron Gillott on 920 1238.*
- Mon 20th **Pedals** meeting. 7.30pm, at the Tom Hoskins pub, near Nottingham BR Station. ☎ *Hugh McClintock on 981 6206.*
- Thur 23rd **Green Network AGM** - with local speakers. 7pm (food available from 6.30pm). Nottingham County Library, Angel Row.
All welcome. ☎ *Adam Woodward on 941 7849.*
- Fri 24th **Critical Mass** Cycle Ride to protest against traffic congestion. Meet in the Market Square at 5.15pm.
Contact Box CTM, Rainbow Centre, 182 Mansfield Road, Nottingham, NG1 3HW.
- Sun 26th **Cossall Robinettes Action Group (CRAG)** walk and cycle to protest against open cast mining (see article overleaf).
☎ *Mark Tennant on 930 4769 or Marina Kennedy on 913 9037.*
- Sun 26th **St Catherine's Church (Cossall)** service on the theme of the environment, from 3pm, followed by tea and cakes.
Please bring food to share.
- Tue 28th **Friends of the Earth** meeting. 7.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Clarendon Street. ☎ *Tim Gray on 922 3439.*
- Tue 28th **Nottingham Women's Environmental Network** meeting. 8pm at 5 Meynall Grove, Sherwood Rise, Nottingham. ☎ 960 5843.

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- Wed 19th **Wollaton Natural History Society** meeting, from 7.30pm at Wollaton Church Hall. £1 entry. All Welcome.
- Thur 20th **Notts Transport 2000** meeting. 7.30pm at the Tom Hoskins pub, near Nottingham BR Station. ☎ *Ron Gillott on 920 1238.*
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