

The Abundance Update

Sept 10th 2012

Hello All

Less than a week to go until Abundance Fruit Day on Sat 15th Sept !

We are making final arrangements to try to make the day a success. If you would like to help, there are various ways to do so.

Are you a keen photographer?

We'd like to get some nice photographs of Fruit Day into the local media - so if you are able to take some good quality photographs on the day, then please get in touch.

Donations

Many thanks to everyone who has offered to donate jams, chutneys, cakes etc. to one of the stalls. We want to show the wide range of things people can make with the free fruit around us. So if anyone else can make something fruity for next Saturday, then we'd be really grateful.

Thanks

And very many thanks to all who have been picking fruit over the last week - Juliet, Paul K, Lesley, Helina, Mary, Harriet, Beth with Leo and baby Tamsin, Adam, Carole, Cherry, Penny, (the other) Cherry and Helina picked another 135 kilos of fruit! Very well done. Also thanks to Corinne (again), Alan, Rebecca. Ruth and Christine for generously letting us pick your fruit. We've been building up stocks of apples for the fruit press on Saturday, as well as using the fruit to make jams and chutneys for Fruit Day.

The Stalls

Below is a list of the stalls.

a traditional **Fruit Press** - bring along a bag of apples or pears to get turned into lovely fresh juice

Jams, Jellies and Chutneys - anything fruity in a jar

Pie-making demonstration - help make a pie + take one home

Fruit Ideas - things you can do with fruit - sweets, recipes, cakes

Jam and bread tasting - taste some really lovely jams with delicious home made breads

Honey - wonderful local honey from the Wimbledon BeeKeepers

Priory School stall

Fruit Games

Information Stall - with the John Innes Society gardening group and advice on caring for your fruit tree

Raffle - win a fruity prize

Jam-making Equipment - by Elys

Longest peel - game


and featuring  **The International Ukelele Orchestra** 

And even if you can't do any of the above, you will help make Abundance Fruit Day a success by coming along. We hope to see you there.

Best wishes

Joyce

Abundance Wimbledon

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The Abundance project in Wimbledon is supported by Sustainable Merton

SOME OTHER EVENTS AROUND WIMBLEDON

Green Coffee - Oct 2nd - this is a meet up for people interested in Abundance and other community/local environment projects. At 9.30 - 11am on the first Tues of each month. October Green Coffee will be in Reds grill and bar at 86 The Broadway - opposite Wimbledon Theatre - we have the room at the back.

20's Plenty: launch meeting - this is a campaign to get a 20mph speed limit across most of Merton, at the same time removing many of the speed bumps. If you want to find out more, come along on Wed 17th Oct from 7.30pm at Raynes Park Library. Speakers will be Transport Minister Norman Baker, the leader of the national 20's Plenty campaign, Rod King, as well as local input. For more information, please contact shas.sheehan@btinternet.com.

Tooting's Foodival - Sept 22nd/23rd - Foodival takes place over the weekend of the 22nd & 23rd September. As in previous years we hope all you local gardeners and food growers have been as busy and will be able to donate any surplus produce you can spare. Local chefs and restaurants will use your hard won local produce to cook up delicious local food. Watch the [Foodival site](#) for full details over the coming weeks.

Apple Day at Morden Hall Park - Sun 23rd Sept 11am-4pm. Discover more about the great British apple with apple displays, apple tasting and apple printing. More Information: Susie Williamson, 020 8545

6850, susie.williamson@nationaltrust.org.uk

Regular Events

Rag Rug Making - Come along and learn how to use recycled materials to make beautiful bags and rugs. Call Thelma on 020 8540 2536 for more information.

Community Market - Fourth Saturdays (usually, but check with the

website), 11am-1pm at Dundonald Congregational Church. Bring along home-made cakes, pies and jams as well as local produce and bric-a-brac to sell at the friendly community market on Dundonald Road . Stalls are only £5. Next one is on Sat 22nd Sept.

Contact pastornigel19@yahoo.co.uk to book a stall. Find the venue [HERE](#).

Community Gardens - Christ Church & Fireplace. Anyone can come along to the community garden, grow some food and share the produce. There are regular work days throughout the summer - to find out when the workdays are, get in touch with wimbledonfoodgroup@gmail.com or see [HERE](#).

Wimbledon Farmers' Market - Every Saturday, 9am-1pm at Wimbledon Park Primary School, Havana Road, SW19 8EJ. A chance to get your groceries direct from local farmers. Find the venue [HERE](#)

Morden Hall Farmers' Market - Every Saturday, 10am-3pm at Morden Hall Park. Fresh fruit and veg, free range meat from Kent, tasty preserves & relishes, Somerset cheeses, cakes & bakes, artisan bread. Organised by City & Country Farmers' Markets and the National Trust. Also Arts and Crafts stalls. For more information, see [HERE](#).

***** Please let me know if you would rather not receive any more emails from Abundance Wimbledon*****