The Abundance Update April 2012

Hello to All

With this lovely weather and blossom everywhere, it means that the fruit will soon start forming on the trees.

So we will have to start planning for Abundance Wimbledon 2012.

As last year, the intention is to send out an email every few weeks to let you know what's happening and ask for various types of help. Everyone is welcome to get involved in Abundance Wimbledon as much or as little as they like. This could be making jam, helping with fruit-picking (even just for one day) or putting up an Abundance poster somewhere. Help in any small way is appreciated. Or if you would like to get involved in organising things, then please get in touch.

We have some news:

- 1.We now have our own fruit press and crusher. This is a 12 litre Vigo press, which is the same type as the one we borrowed last year to use at Fruit Day. We bought this with the money raised at Fruit Day.
- 2.Abundance Wimbledon has been allocated a stall at the Wimbledon Village Fair on 23rd June. This is a great opportunity to tell lots more people about our project. We need help to do this, so please get in touch if you can spare an hour or two to help on the stall that day. Or else, come and visit the stall. It should be a fun day out!
- 3. There is now an Abundance Wimbledon website have a look at it on abundancewimbledon.com
- 4.Ruth has very kindly offered to co-ordinate the collection of jam jars. So please do collect jars and lids (only those that have been used for jam or chutney, please). Get in touch with Ruth to let her know you are collecting or else if you have some and want to pass them on, by emailing ruthbaber@hotmail.com.

Finally, if you don't want to receive emails from Abundance Wimbledon,

just reply to this email, asking to be unsubscribed.

Many thanks
Joyce
Abundance Wimbledon

Some other events around Wimbledon

Green Coffee - this is a meet up for people interested in Abundance and other community/local environment projects. See here for more information. At 9.30 - 11am on the first Tues of each month (the next one is May 1st) at 40 The Hill (used to be called Piaf), just opposite Wimbledon Library.

Make your own Shopping Bag - if you would like to learn some simple sewing techniques and how to make something useful out of spare material, come along to this friendly event. Experienced sewers also welcome to help show others what to do. At the Mansel Road Centre on Tues 24th April, 2-4.30pm. Find a poster here
Hustings for the London Assembly election - this is an opportunity to ask the candidates what they would do if you voted them into City Hall.

Representatives of the main political parties have been invited along. At St Mark's Church (behind Wimbledon Library) on Tues 24th April, 8pm. For more information, see here.

Big Ride - Just a few days before the London elections, pedestrians and cyclists will be asking for London's streets to be made safer. Convince the politicians that they need to take road safety for all seriously. Get more information from the London Cycling Campaign website here. Join the Feeder Ride by meeting in Queen's Rd at 9.30am on Sat 28th - contact Charles at charles@barraball.com. On Sat 28th April, 11am-2pm **Church Service: Sustainability** - Special Christian service with the theme of 'Sustainability'. All welcome. Find the venue here. On Sunday 29th April, 6.30pm at the Mansel Road Centre, Trinity United Reformed Church, SW19 4AA