

PENSFORD FIELD ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

Dear Helpers

I hope you all had a nice holiday and are now enjoying the lovely summer weather !

Lots of interesting things have been happening at Pensford Field during the summer and we hope as many of you managed to see the wonderful wild flowers and butterflies. We have a full autumn programme and need to arrange a workday which will be announced at a later date.

In October Jamie Simpson, a professional woodworker will be cutting the hedge between the tennis courts and the field. This will be a method of hedge laying as found in the south of England where the stems of the trees are cut half way through and laid down by weaving them through hazel poles. The top is then woven with long poles and three trees will be left as standard trees. All extra wood and poles comes from a sustainable wood in Kent that Jamie works in. The cost of this is being met by O₂ in their 'Its your community' fund. We will be taking pictures of the before and after effect for them to put on their website.

October 11th is our table top sale in the Barn Church Hall from 11am – 2pm. We still have a few tables left for renting (£10 per table and you keep all proceeds of what you sell) and we will be providing refreshments under the Duke of Edinburgh scheme which one of the local students has undertaken for her charity fundraising section of the challenge, so please come and have a cup of tea if nothing else !

I have attached a poster if anyone could put it on their wall to advertised the event.

In November we have a special request from a local resident to hold an Orang-utan event in the field to raise awareness of the dire situation as to the diminishing habitat of this near relative of ours. On Friday 14th November from 3 – 5 we will be having a gathering in the field and we would like everyone to wear orange and bring one pound. You will see posters around Kew village advertising this.

Over Christmas we will have the Pensford Quiz which will be sold during the Christmas Sparkle event in December

The last date for you is 9th January 2009 when we will be holding our Wassail. We are delighted that the Mayor of Richmond, Cllr. Helen Lee-Parsons will be attending as our guest of honour.

Please enjoy the autumn colours in the field (2001) and I hope to meet you all at one or other of our coming events

Many thanks

Diana