

Grass is greener

GRASSMOOR Community Centre near Chesterfield is one of many organisations that has benefited from being on the Directory since joining in March 2006.



The centre has various rooms and facilities available to hire, for activities including training events, conferences, adult education classes, community activities, private parties and wedding receptions.

Co-ordinator Susan Brighthouse said: "Since we joined we have had a noticeable increase in bookings which I think can be attributed to the Directory."

Open to everyone

IT doesn't matter what your group does, the Directory is open to everyone as long as you operate in Derbyshire.

Here is a small selection of some of the different groups already registered:

- North Derbyshire Foreign, British Bird & Mule Club
- Anglo German Friendship Group, Matlock
- World of Words Reading Group, Chesterfield
- Jacinth Sacheverell for Almshouses, Ilkeston
- Jam Nite, Chapel-en-le-Frith
- Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire Entomological Society



You can access the online Directory at a council library

Not got the net? Don't fret

PEOPLE without the internet can access the online Directory by visiting any of the 46 Derbyshire County Council libraries and some of the 12 mobile libraries.

Ruth Sharpe, enquiry service co-ordinator at Chesterfield Library, said: "We often use the online Directory for public enquiries and to find out about local organisations.

"It is simple to use and it brings together, electronically, information from libraries and other information points."



Sports groups can get twice the publicity thanks to the Derbyshire Directory

Sporting ambitions

SPORTS clubs in Derbyshire are set to receive extra exposure thanks to a new link-up.

Derbyshire Sport, which provides an online directory of local clubs, is currently contacting existing groups on its website about updating their details before bringing them over to the Derbyshire Directory.

This will allow groups to receive twice the

publicity, by being listed on two popular sites.

Current sports listings will be moved into the sport category section in the near future.

Any existing Derbyshire Sport club which has not updated its details can

get in touch now to make sure it's one of the first to benefit by emailing:

nikki.sargeson@derbyshire.gov.uk

Derbyshire Sport 

All fair and square

DIRECTORY groups are being asked to join a partnership which aims to create a fair and equal working relationship with public bodies.

Derbyshire Compact, published in 2003, is an agreement between the voluntary and community sector and public agencies which sets out what they can expect of each other.

By doing this it hopes to help local

groups gain access to funding, participate in consultation and increase their influence.

It currently has 112 signatures but is asking members to renew their commitment by re-signing and urging new ones to join.

For a form to do this, contact Derbyshire County Council policy officer, Louise Collins on **01629 580000 ext 7254**, or you can email louise.collins@derbyshire.gov.uk