

## Forthcoming Events at Shipley Country Park

For bookings contact Call Derbyshire 08 456 058 058.

For information contact Shipley Country Park 01773 719961.

### SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

1pm-4pm

#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Celebrate the UK's largest day of volunteer action and help on a mass litter pick in the park. Community groups, businesses, schools, families and individuals are all invited to take part to improve the park for people and wildlife. Your reward for your efforts will be warm soup, provided after the event! Meet at the Visitor Centre. Wear suitable clothing and footwear. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Dogs welcome on leads.

### CELEBRATING HALLOWEEN



### SATURDAY 29 OCTOBER and SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 10am-4pm (Turn up any time!) (UN)NATURAL TRAIL

A self-guided trail, with clue cards to find, for the kids to complete their Halloween Activity Sheet on creepy critters and beastly bugs. Return to the Visitor Centre to claim your treat! Children in fancy dress welcome! Bring a camera to be photographed with our friendly witch. Start at the Visitor Centre. Wear suitable clothing and footwear. £1.50 per child, adults & under 5s FREE. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 10.30am-12.30pm PUMPKIN CARVING WORKSHOP

Join this fun session at the Visitor Centre and learn how to create a spooky pumpkin to take home. Kids in fancy dress welcome! Pumpkins, tools, tealight and templates provided. Wear suitable clothing. £4.50 per pumpkin. Participants must be able to use hand tools. Children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.**

### SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER

4.30pm-6.30pm

#### CREEPY CRAFTS AND FIENDISH FUN

A family friendly event at the Visitor Centre to have-a-go at Halloween crafts and activities. Kids in fancy dress welcome - small prize for the best costume. Bring your camera to have your photo taken with our friendly witch. Wear suitable clothing and footwear or fancy dress to join in the fun. Bring a torch or Halloween lantern. £3 per child, under 5's free, (includes treats for each child). Children must be accompanied by an adult. **BOOKING ADVISABLE.**

### SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER

2pm-3.30pm

#### WINTER TALK

A slide talk on the landscapes and towns of Derbyshire and country crafts. Meet at the Visitor Centre. Adults: £3, Concessions and Children: £1.50, Under 5s: FREE, Family Ticket (2 adults and 3 children): £7.50. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.**

### SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER

11am-3pm

#### WINTER CRAFT FAYRE

Find original Christmas gifts at our fourth Winter Craft Fayre. Local artists will be displaying and selling their unique work, don't miss it! Free entry. Meet at the Visitor Centre. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### SUNDAY 4 DECEMBER

1pm-3pm

#### SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Join our elves to write a letter to Santa and put it in our special postbox. They will then help you make Christmas crafts and decorations to take home. There will be a self-guided, 1 mile, elf trail (optional), with clue cards to find to complete an activity sheet. Return to the Centre for your certificate from the elves - bring your camera to have your photo taken with them. Meet at the Visitor Centre. £2.50 per child, under 5s FREE (all craft materials provided). Wear suitable clothing and footwear. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

**BOOKING ADVISABLE.**

Don't forget the **CAROL CONCERT** on **SUNDAY 18 DECEMBER**.  
3pm-4pm. Come early for a seat.



### Angling at Shipley Country Park

Day Tickets for fishing in the park are **no longer available from the Visitor Centre.**

Payments are now taken and tickets issued on the bankside by the NCB No.5 Fishing Club bailiffs.

### Trash Out!

'Make A Difference' is a national event, initiated by the Community Service Volunteers, campaigning directly to the public to try volunteering and so have a positive impact in the area in which they live. As part of this, the Countryside Service and our Friends of Group are inviting members of the public to attend our own 'Make A Difference Day' event on Saturday, 22 October 2011 (1-4pm), for a litter pick in the park, followed by warm soup as a reward for all your efforts. See event list for further details. We hope you can make it.

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Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

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### Farewell!

The Countryside Service has recently said farewell to three highly valued members of staff. Gary and Chrissie Wain took voluntary redundancy after being part-time rangers for over 25 years. John Purdy retired as Charge Hand for the Development Team, after being with us for 36 years. Their knowledge, skills and vast experience will be greatly missed. We wish them all the very best for the future.

### New Pay and Display

From 25th July 2011, pay and display came into effect in the car parks at Shipley Country Park. Parking for Blue Badge holders remains free. The car park on Shipley Hill is still only for Blue Badge holders. To avoid a fine, a Blue Badge permit **must** be clearly displayed when using any of our car parks.

### Animal Magic

The first ever 'Animal Magic!' event at Shipley Country Park was very successful, with well over 2,000 people attending. Attractions included an insect show, flyball and dog agility demonstrations and have-a-go sessions, a fun dog show, the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals PetCheck mobile and lots of stalls with animals from ferrets to donkeys! Thanks to everyone who gave their time to make this event fun for everyone.



### Have Your Say

A permanent dog agility trail at Shipley Country Park has been proposed. The trail would be free of charge for responsible dog owners to use. If you would like to have your say, please pick up a consultation questionnaire at the Visitor Centre where you can also find further details.

### Green Flag Award Retained



Shipley Country Park has been awarded the Green Flag Award for the fourth year running, which is given to well-maintained and managed sites with good facilities and environmental standards. Councillor Simon Spencer, Derbyshire County Council's Cabinet Member - Highways and Transport, said: "I'm extremely pleased that Shipley Country Park continues to be recognised as one of the best in the country. This accolade is rightly deserved and acknowledges the hard work and commitment of the dedicated team at Shipley."

