

Shipley Country Park - Events Programme 2012

SPECIAL EVENT – NATIONAL NEST BOX WEEK

SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY

10.30am – 12pm and 1.30pm – 3pm

THE BIRDS AND THE BEES

Join the countryside service to build yourself a bird box during the morning session and/or a bug box on the afternoon session. Places limited so book early.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: £6 per box. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

PREPAYMENT AND BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

(Please book for the number of boxes you would like to make).

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Suitable for all – but participants must be able to use hand-tools.

SUNDAY 4 MARCH

9.30am – 4.30pm

SPOON CARVING WORKSHOP

Join us for an introduction into wood carving. We will discuss the tools to be used, which will be a fixed handled knife, saw, and baton. You will be trained in their safe handling and then use these new skills to make a wooden spoon from timber sourced in the park. Other items that can be made out of wood and bark will be demonstrated, as will the sharpening process of the knife.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Tools and materials provided. Suitable clothing and footwear.

Cost: £30 per person. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

PREPAYMENT AND BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Not suitable for children under 16 years of age.

Venue suitable for wheelchairs but participants must be able to use a knife to carve with.

MONDAY 2 APRIL – SATURDAY 14 APRIL

11am – 3.30pm (Turn up anytime and have a go)

SPRING TRAIL

During half-term have a go at our self-led Spring Trail. Follow the clue cards to complete the activity sheet, and receive a certificate. Just turn up and have a go! Aimed at 7 – 11 year olds but all welcome.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 1 mile

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: 50p per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Booking not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Easy walk. Suitable for all.

SUNDAY 8 APRIL

10am – 12pm (Start anytime up to 11.30am)

HOPPING MAD!

Bring the kids along for some Easter fun! Follow the trail to find the hidden clues and discover the secret word. Return to the start to see the Easter Bunny and collect a mini Easter egg!

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 1 mile approx.

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: £2 per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Booking not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Easy walk. Suitable for all.

SPECIAL EVENT – INTERNATIONAL DAWN CHORUS DAY

SUNDAY 6 MAY

4am – 6am

UP WITH THE LARKS

A fantastic opportunity to be a part of this worldwide celebration of early morning bird song, finishing with a breakfast cob and a cuppa!

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 3 - 4 miles

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear. Bring binoculars if you have some.

Cost: £5 per person (includes food/drink).

Location: OS ref SK436 437 SatNav DE7 6BR

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

PREPAYMENT AND BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Moderate walk (some climbs).

SPECIAL EVENT – NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK

MONDAY 4 - SUNDAY 10 JUNE

11am – 3.30pm (Turn up anytime and have a go)

FAMILY FUN TRAIL

During half-term celebrate National Family Week by spending some time in the fresh air with the kids. Bring them along to have a go at our self-led trail.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 1 mile approx.

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: 50p per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Booking not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Easy walk.

SPECIAL EVENT – HEANOR FESTIVAL WEEK

SUNDAY 17 JUNE

11am–4pm

ANIMAL MAGIC!

An event that showcases all creatures great and small. There will be a Fun Dog Show, flyball and dog agility demonstrations and have a go activities lots of friendly rescued animals to meet and learn about, as well as animal/wildlife related stalls. The PDSA will be present with their PetCheck unit to provide free doggy MOTs and care advice for other pets. So join us for a really wild day with lots to see and do.

Meet: Shipley Country Park events field (near Visitor Centre).

Cost: Free entry. A small charge will apply for the fun dog show competitions and some of the activities. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information Contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961 Registration details for the fun dog show available from 1 March 2012.

Suitable for all / Dogs welcome on leads.

SPECIAL EVENT – HEANOR FESTIVAL WEEK

THURSDAY 21 JUNE

6pm–8pm

CYCLE FOR SUPPER

Join the countryside service and the Heart & Sole Group for a pleasant evening cycle ride around Shipley Country Park to encourage former and occasional cyclists to give it another go! Return to the centre for soup and bread roll.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: Up to 8 miles

Equipment: Own cycle, drink and helmet recommended. A limited number of bikes available for loan if you don't have one.

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Not suitable for young children

SUNDAY 8 JULY

11am–4pm

INSECT SHOW

Join the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Entomological Society for their fantastic Insect Show, insect related displays and plant stalls. A guided butterfly walk will take place (details nearer the time).

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear.

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Turn up anytime. Wheelchair access.

SPECIAL EVENT – LOVE PARKS WEEK

SUNDAY 29 JULY

10am – 12.30pm

BUSHCRAFT WALK

Explore Shipley Country Park with a walk finding out how natural resources combined with skills and knowledge can further open up the countryside. Basic skills covered will be shelter, water, food, and fire, with demonstrations and a have a go activity.

Meet: Mapperley Car Park.

Length: 3 miles

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: Adults: £3 / Children and Concessions: £1.50 / Under Fives: Free / Family ticket (2 adults and 3 children): £7.50. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK436 437 Sat Nav DE7 6BR

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Moderate walk (some climbs). Dogs welcome on leads.

23 JULY - 2 SEPTEMBER

11am-3.30pm (Turn up any time)

SUMMER FUN

During the school summer holidays there will be a different self-led trail on offer each week so make time for some fun with the family in the fresh air. Aimed at 7-11 year olds but all are welcome. (23-29 July: Answer Chase, 30 July-5 August: Wildlife Wayfaring, 6-12 August: Walk and Discover, 13-19 August: Letter Hunt, 20-26 August: Nature Detective Trail, 27 August-2 Sept: Leaf Hunt). Return to the centre to have your answers checked and receive a certificate!

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 1-2 miles

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: 50p per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961.

No booking required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Dogs welcome on leads / Suitable for all.

SUNDAY 26 AUGUST

10am–4pm (one hour break for lunch)

WHICH WAY NOW?

Confused, disorientated and lost? Don't know which way up the map should be and what a compass is for? Then book yourself onto this beginner's guide to OS map reading.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Packed lunch and drinks.

Cost: £8. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

PRE PAYMENT AND BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Wheelchair access.

AUTUMN FOOTPRINTS – 10th AMBER VALLEY AND EREWASH WALKING FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

10am–10.30am

LAUNCH AND GUIDED WALK

Everyone is welcome to attend the launch of this excellent walking festival (approx. 30 walks over 16 days on offer). There will be a guided park walk after the launch – see the Autumn Footprints programme, which is available free at the visitor centre nearer the time, for further walk details.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Guided Walk: See festival programme for further details & booking information.

AUTUMN FOOTPRINTS – 10th AMBER VALLEY AND EREWASH WALKING FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

10am – 2pm

WILDLIFE WANDER

Join the rangers to explore the park, learn more about it's wildlife, the medicinal and culinary uses of plants and their folklore.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 4 - 5 miles

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Moderate walk (some climbs).

SUNDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

10am – 12pm

TRAMPER RAMBLE

Join us for a guided ramble around the park using the Countryside Service's Trampers (all-terrain mobility scooters), looking at wildlife and history of the park along the way. Walkers are welcome too. Trampers available only for blue badge holders and others with mobility difficulties. A great chance to try a Tramper and explore the park.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 3 - 4 miles

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear.

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply except for blue badge holders.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Suitable for all (16 years +) – but must be able to operate a mobility scooter on park terrain.

AUTUMN FOOTPRINTS – 10th AMBER VALLEY AND EREWASH WALKING FESTIVAL

TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

2pm–4 pm

MAP READING FOR BEGINNERS

If you want to know more about map symbols, grid references etc., then this is the course for you. Designed to give beginners more confidence with OS maps.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Wheelchair access.

SPECIAL EVENT – THE BIG DRAW

SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER

11 am–4pm (Turn up anytime)

BIG DRAW FUN DAY

A brilliant day of arty activities as part of the UK's largest art event. Mostly aimed children, but everyone is welcome, just turn up and join in.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Booking not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SPECIAL EVENT – THE BIG DRAW

SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER

2pm–5pm

BIG DRAW WORKSHOP

Another arty activity as part of the UK's largest art event. This will be an arts activity workshop with limited places, so book early! (7 years + only).

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: £1.50 per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Wheelchair access.

SPECIAL EVENT – HALLOWEEN

27 OCTOBER – 2 NOVEMBER

11am-3.30pm (Turn up any time and have a go!)

PUMPKIN WEEK - (UN)NATURAL TRAIL

Self-guided trail with clue cards to find to complete a Halloween Activity Sheet about creepy critters and beastly bugs. Return to claim your treat! Kids in fancy dress welcome! Aimed at 7 – 11 year olds but all welcome.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: £1.50 per child. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Booking not required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SPECIAL EVENT – HALLOWEEN

SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER

4.30pm-6.30pm

PUMPKIN DAY - CREEPY CRAFTS AND FIENDISH FUN!

Join in on this fun family friendly event to have a go at some Halloween crafts and activities. Small prize for best fancy dress. Aimed mostly at 7 – 11 year olds but all welcome.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear. Fancy dress optional.

Cost: £4 per child (includes treats for each child). Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

PRE PAYMENT AND BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER

2pm–3.30pm

MATLOCK AND THE DERWENT VALLEY

A slide talk looking at the areas of Matlock and the Derwent Valley.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Cost: Adults: £3 / Children and Concessions: £1.50 / Under Fives: Free / Family ticket (2 adults and 3 children): £7.50. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Wheelchair access.

SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER

11am–3pm

WINTER CRAFT FAYRE

A chance to find original Christmas gifts at our fourth annual Winter Craft Fayre. Local artists will be displaying & selling their unique work, don't miss it!

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

Wheelchair access.

SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER

2 sessions available: 10am–1pm and 1.45pm–4.45pm

MOSAIC WORKSHOPS

Join the countryside service for this introductory workshop to the art of mosaics. We will guide you while you create a piece of mosaic artwork to take home. Equipment and materials provided.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Cost: £15 per person. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

16 years plus only. Venue suitable for wheelchairs but participants must be able to use hand tools.

SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER

1–3pm

SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Join the Shipley elves to write your letter to Santa and put it in our special post box. They will then help you make some Christmas crafts and decorations to take home. There will also be a self-guided elf trail to follow and find the clue cards to complete an activity sheet. Return to the centre and receive a certificate from the elves!

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Length: 1 mile (trail)

Cost: £3 per child. Parking charges apply.

Equipment: Suitable clothing and footwear

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – Call Derbyshire: 08456 058 058

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER

3pm – 4pm

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Join Marlpool URC Choir for a traditional carol sing-along to celebrate the festive season.

Meet: Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre

Cost: FREE. Parking charges apply.

Location: OS ref SK431 452 SatNav DE75 7GX

Information contact: Shipley Country Park 01773 719961

BOOKING NOT REQUIRED.

Wheelchair access.

Pre-Payment Information

NB: People booking onto events that require pre-payment will be contacted by a member of Countryside Service staff at Shipley Country Park to arrange payment. Payment can not be made through Call Derbyshire.