



Rugby EcoHub

Rugby Eco Hub Newsletter 15th May 2025

Dear Eco Hub friends and followers,

It's been a busy couple of weeks including:

- Hosting the first of our Repair Cafes for this month;
- Welcoming our first team of 'corporate volunteers' to the hub;
- Promoting ourselves at Rugby Spring Fair; and
- Welcoming Kirsty to the Operations team!

Overview of key dates

- **Sat 17th May:** Repair Cafe, Rugby Eco Hub, 10am - 1pm
- **Sat 17th May:** Gardening Group, Rugby Eco Hub, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- **Sun 18th May:** [Community Ceilidh](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 2 - 5pm
- **Thurs 22nd May:** [Preserving Food 101 workshop](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 7-9pm

- **Wed 28th May:** [Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: Family Fun Day](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 10am - 1pm
- **Thurs 5th June:** [Knitting Class](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 7 - 9pm
- **Fri 6th June:** Green Drinks, The Seven Stars, CV21 2SH, from 7:30pm
- **Sat 7th - Sun 15th June:** The Great Big Green Week, varied events

Keep an eye on our upcoming events via our [Events page](#).

Repair Cafe

Saturday 17th May, 10am - 1pm

We are pleased to be able to add 'darning' to the list of repair skills at this month's second Repair Cafe, so don't forget to bring your woolly jumpers or holey socks this week. The café itself will also be open, offering refreshments and a light lunch (lunch served between 12 - 1pm).

Library of Things

We would like to say **a massive thank you** to Lorex EPI who supported some of their team to volunteer at the Library of Things. The team got truly stuck in, putting together furniture, rearranging storage and updating the online catalogue. At the end of the day, Lynn shared these words with us:

"I visited the Eco Hub with my 2 colleagues, Siân and Sruthi from Lorax EPI, to use our volunteering day helping at the Library of Things. Becky and Becca (and Poppy the dog) were fantastic hosts and looked after us very well. At the end of the session, we were tired but thoroughly enjoyed our time; it was great to do something completely different to our usual working day and feel like we had achieved a good amount during our time there. It was also great to see so many people (and their dogs!) popping in to find out more about the Hub. We ended our trip with a visit to Rugby Unwrapped to grab a few refills for home." (Lynn Perks)

If you work for a local business and think this may be something they'd be interested in, please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing: info@rugbyecohub.org.



Promoting the Library of Things

As the Library of Things continues to grow, we would love it if more and more people start using this amazing community resource. **You can help make this a reality by distributing flyers to the local community.** If this is something you feel you could help with, simply come to the Hub to collect some flyers and let us know the street(s) you are able to do. You can find the list of [priority streets here](#).

Fundraising event - Community Ceilidh

Sunday 18th May, 2-5pm

We're looking forward to welcoming lots of you to our community fundraiser. It should be great fun. The band have been busy practicing and are sounding great!

If you'd like to attend, **please book [here](#)**. Suggested donation for over 16s is £10.



"Preserving Food 101" workshop

Thursday 22nd May, 7 - 9pm

We're looking forward to welcoming you to our "Preserving Food 101" workshop. There has been lots of interest so far so it should be a great evening.

To book, [click here](#).

Knitting Classes

1st and 3rd Thursday, 7-9pm, Starting 5th June

From Thursday 5th June, we are fortunate to be able to offer Knitting Classes at Rugby Eco Hub, kindly hosted by Irina Meier. We welcome absolute beginners, rusty old-timers and unsure novices, but also experienced knitters might be interested as the 'continental knitting technique' will be shown.

To book a space, please complete this [google form](#). Suggested donation: £3.

**We will need a minimum of 6 people for this to take place.*

The Great Big Green Week

7th - 15th June



Look out for a range of events that will taking place as part of the Great Big Green Week in June. A more detailed programme will be shared in the next issue, however, you can expect:

- **Community Climate Fair:** 7th June, Caldecote Park, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- **Repair Cafe:** 7th June, Rugby Eco Hub, 10am - 1pm
- **Quilting workshop:** 7th June, Rugby Eco Hub, 2 - 4pm
- **Growing your own and Community Farming:** 11th June, Rugby Eco Hub, 7:30pm start
- **Growing food in small spaces:** 14th June, Rugby Eco Hub, 10:30am - 1:30pm

Welcome Kirsty!



We are very excited to be able to welcome Kirsty to the Operations Team. Kirsty will be working 7 hours a week, specifically focusing on our volunteer offer.

"My first few weeks have been jam packed with exciting new projects and meeting our amazing volunteers. Volunteers are some of the best group of people to work with because they are caring and passionate, so I'm excited to get started and to make sure all volunteers get the most out of the hub!"

Volunteer Bulletin

We have a number of volunteer opportunities open at the moment, including:

- **Community Ceilidh: Cake/Biscuit donations**, Sunday 18th May
- **The Great Big Green Week: Various events** between 7th - 15th June
- **GEC Family Fun Day: Stall representative** - Saturday 28th June

You can take a look at these on our [volunteer bulletin](#).

Other upcoming events at Rugby Eco Hub

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: Family Fun Day

Wednesday 28th May, 10am - 1pm

Join Garden Organic in May half term for a morning of activities for all ages! There will be opportunities to: find out more about how you can reuse items you might usually throw away; find out what happens in a compost bin; and take home a newspaper pot!

In other news

Room Hire Available at Rugby Eco Hub

We are keen for the Eco hub to be used by the community. You can rent the hall or side room for events or meetings. Find more information [here](#).

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