



Rugby EcoHub

Rugby Eco Hub Newsletter 17th April 2025

Dear Eco Hub friends and followers,

In this month's edition, you will find information about:

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Repair Cafe

Saturday 19th April, 10am - 1pm

Don't forget to come down to the hub this Saturday and join us for the Repair Cafe. Our volunteer sewers are off for the Easter weekend, however, so we won't be able to fix clothing this week.

The café will be also open for refreshments and a light lunch (served 12-1pm).

Library of Things

Some new items to draw your attention to this week include:

- **Two children's car seats**, just in case you need to give a lift to any younger family members/friends.
- **Two heavy duty gazebos**, for those summer parties you may want to start planning!



Available £ 3.00 per week

Highback Booster/Car Seat

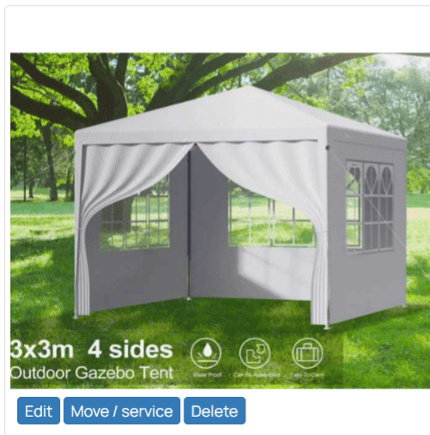


Available £ 3.00 per week

Child's Car Seat

3X3 Large Heavy Duty Gazebo

 2 similar items. [See all.](#)



Fee: £ 5.00 per week

[Available](#)

Location: [Betts Hall \(In stock\)](#)
Condition: A - As new
Brand: Birchtree
Code: 235 (BkO)

Marquee Waterproof Garden Awning Party Tent Canopy.

Very heavy

[Borrow / reserve](#)

Site: [Betts Hall Change](#)

Anyone up for a Ceilidh?

Sunday 18th May, 2-5pm



We are in the midst of planning for our very first Ceilidh on **Sunday 18th May, 2-5pm**. The set list is coming together and promotion will be ramping up in the next few weeks. **To book, click [here](#).** Suggested donation for over 16s is £10.

Earth Day

Tuesday 22nd April

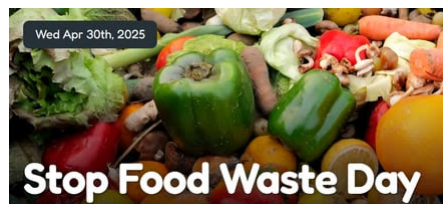


Since 1970, Earth Day.org's mission has been to "diversify, educate and activate the environmental movement worldwide". This year's theme is Our Power, Our Planet: **calling for everyone to unite around renewable energy** so we can triple 'clean electricity' by 2030.

Last week, at Thinking Thursday, we were discussing Community Energy - the ownership and control of energy production by local people. This was a really relevant and timely discussion in relation to Earth Day so if you'd like to find out more about Community Energy, or you'd like to be part of a team of people considering the potential for community energy in Rugby, then please let us know and we can add you to the Community Energy mailing group.

In the meantime, please find below some websites you may find useful to learn a bit more about Community Energy, including an example of community energy in use.

- [Community Energy England](#)
- [Energy Local](#)
- [Lawrence Weston Bristol](#) - Learn about their wind turbine that is powering 3000 local homes.



Wednesday 30th April is Stop Food Waste Day; an international day of action in the fight against food waste. Did you know that approximately one-third of the food produced globally is either lost or wasted every year 😞.

In light of this, on **22nd May** we will be hosting an evening workshop (7 - 9pm): "**Preserving Food 101**". The workshop will provide you with an introduction to the range of different ways you can preserve food including, drying, fermenting and pickling, plus many more. More information and reminders to follow.

In the meantime, here are some **ideas for how you can help at home**.

- Show your support by looking up simple recipes to best use leftovers and fresh produce.
 - Make a list ahead of time before you head to your local grocery store to help conserve food usage
 - Revive wilted vegetables by washing them in water for 5 to 10 minutes
 - Get in the habit of freezing leftovers — removing as much air as possible for long-lasting freshness.
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Upcoming events at Rugby Eco Hub

Repair Cafe

Saturday 19th April, 10am - 1pm

Saturday 3rd May, 10am - 1pm

Library of Things

Open every Saturday, 10am - 1pm. Also available for collecting/returning items on Tuesday's, Thursday's & Friday's (in line with [Rugby Unwrapped's opening times](#)).

Sewing Classes

The next set of sewing class start next week on **Tuesday 22nd April** from 7pm till 9pm. Find out more details [here](#).

Eco Anxiety Support Group

Thursday 24th April, 7 - 8:30pm

A space to share your worries, fears and concerns, and share coping strategies with each other.

Upcoming volunteer drop-in sessions

Tuesday 29th April, 11am - 1pm

Thursday 8th May, 2pm - 4pm

Thinking Thursday - Green Investment

Thursday 8th May, 7 - 9pm

Community Ceilidh - Fundraising event

Sunday 18th May, 2pm - 5pm

To book, [click here](#).

Other events

Green Drinks

Friday 2nd May, From 7:30pm

[The Seven Stars, 40 Albert Square, Rugby, CV21 2SH](#)

Rugby Spring Food and Drink Festival

Saturday 26th April, 11am - 5pm

Rugby Town Centre

Come and say hi to us at the Rugby Eco Hub stall!

Rugby Spring Fair

Monday 5th May, 11am - 5pm

Whitehall Recreation Ground

This year's theme is VE day 80. Themed fancy dress is encouraged. Rugby Eco Hub will be there!

All things volunteering

Promotion

Many thanks to everyone who has already offered to put up a poster or distributed some leaflets in the local area. It really helps! We have already had someone use the Library of Things having received a flyer through their door.

Promotion continues to be **a key priority** and there are plenty more posters and flyers to distribute. So, if you have any time to **help us with the distribution**, you can either come to one of the following drop-in sessions or email us at info@rugbyecohub.org to arrange a collection of flyers.

- Tuesday 29th April, 11am - 1pm
- Thursday 8th May, 2-4pm

Volunteer Growing Group

Saturday 19th April, 10:30am-12:30pm

Come and join us for a couple of hours on **Saturday morning, from 10:30am**, to help us make the most of the planting season! No need to book.

Register your interest in volunteering

If you're interested in other volunteering opportunities at Rugby Eco Hub, you can register your interest [here](#).

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](#).

Reminder of key dates

- **Sat 19th Apr:** Repair Cafe, Rugby Eco Hub, 10am - 1pm
- **Sat 19th Apr:** Café open
- **Sat 19th Apr:** Volunteer Growing Group, Rugby Eco Hub, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- **Tues 22nd Apr:** [Lou's dress-making classes begin](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 7-9pm
- **Thurs 24th Apr:** Eco Anxiety Support Group, Rugby Eco Hub, 7pm - 8:30pm
- **Sat 26th Apr:** [Rugby Spring Food & Drink Festival](#), Rugby, 11am - 5pm
- **Tues 29th Apr:** Volunteer Drop-in session, Rugby Eco Hub, 11am - 1pm
- **Fri 2nd May:** Green Drinks, The Seven Stars, From 7pm
- **Mon 5th May:** [Rugby Spring Fair](#), Whitehall Recreation Ground, 11am - 5pm
- **Thurs 8th May:** Volunteer Drop-in session, Rugby Eco Hub, 2pm - 4pm
- **Thurs 8th May:** Thinking Thursday, Rugby Eco Hub, 7:30pm start
- **Sun 18th May:** [Community Ceilidh](#), Rugby Eco Hub, 2 - 5pm
- **Thurs 22nd May:** Preserving Food 101 workshop, Rugby Eco Hub, 7-9pm

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

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