



Action For Ulnes Walton

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NEWSLETTER

MAY 2007

WILDFLOWER AND BEE PROJECT

It is hard to believe that it is two years since the launch of this project and it is now nearly at an end. Everything has gone according to plan with this project and through prudent use of the funds from the Local Heritage Initiative we have been able to hold more events and activities than originally envisaged and with the assistance of a Green Partnership Award from Lancashire County Council, plant more areas with wildflowers than planned. Advice has been sought from the National Wildflower Centre about the best plants for each site taking into account the location and type of soil etc. and planting is now almost complete.

Much of the information collected over the last two years has been put into a book, which will be officially launched on the 12 May 2007—details below. A free copy of the book is to be given to each household in Ulnes Walton

PLEASE COME ALONG TO THE OLD SCHOOL BETWEEN 1PM AND 5PM TO COLLECT YOUR FREE COPY.

Some beautiful notelets have been produced using art work from the Saturday Art Group, these will also be available at the event.

We need willing volunteers to give a helping hand on the 12 May, please get in touch if you can help in any way.



The Committee of Action for Ulnes Walton
are proud to announce that the
**CELEBRATION OF THE
ULNES WALTON WILDFLOWER AND BEE PROJECT
AND
THE ULNES WALTON FLORA AND FAUNA PROJECT**
will take place at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane,
on Saturday 12 May 2007

1pm to 5pm

The Event will be officially opened at 1pm by
County Councillor Clive Grunshaw
Cabinet Member Responsible for Planning and the Environment
and Chairman of the Lancashire Biodiversity Action Group

There will be various displays associated with both projects,
bee keeping display, candle rolling, art and photography display, cream teas, mead tasting,
distribution of book and calendar

SNAP HAPPY

Group successfully obtained a grant from Awards for All to record the flora and fauna of Ulnes Walton by means of photographs and art work. A number of activities took place associated with this project, including photography workshops led by Jason Smalley. Jason is a top professional wildlife photographer and the participants had a super time learning the art of taking quality photographs.

Saturday Art Group also focused attention on local wildlife and as a result of these two activities we now have a wonderful collection of photographs and art work depicting the flora, fauna and wildlife habitats of the parish. Some of the material has been used to produce a 2008 calendar, a copy of which is available free to all households in the parish those taking part in the project.

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On a sad note Ted Porter who had been a member of the Art Group for many years, passed away before he was able to see his art work adorn the cover of the calendar. Action for Ulnes Walton would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Ted and say thank you for his efforts.

WHATS NEXT?

The group is awaiting news from the Big Lottery Fund on two grant applications the first for funds from the BBC Spring Watch Programme (Bill Oddie and co!) Breathing Places initiative for a hedge project at the Old School and the second to expand the successful Fly Tying and Fly Fishing course. Also we have been talking to Natural England (formerly English Nature) about establishing a Pond Warden Scheme within the parish.

Further details will follow in future newsletters but in the meantime if you would like to know more about any of these projects or would like to get involved please get in touch.

All residents of Ulnes Walton are automatically members of Action for Ulnes Walton, meetings are open for anyone to attend. The group is headed by an Executive Committee made up as follows

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Brendon Pickthall; Margaret Gill ; Mark Cookson; Pam Sloan and
Lynne Rowett (Administrator) Tel 01772 435516