

Hello again Buxton Town Team members. We hope you're all enjoying the glorious summer weather and will come and join in our summer activities.

JULY IDEAS MEETING

TUESDAY 14TH JULY 7:30PM IN THE RAILWAY HOTEL

This month's focus will be on Ideas! We haven't looked at the Schedule for a while, so it's time to do that - check priorities, maybe relegate some that aren't worth pursuing at present and add on any good ideas that have been missed. Plus of course there'll be the usual updates on current projects. Anyone is welcome to attend the Ideas Meeting; as ever, if you aren't on the circulation list to get the agenda and notes, and want to be, tell us and we'll add you to the list.

LITTER PICKING WALK

SUNDAY 5TH JULY 11AM - 1PM

The monthly gathering of cans, bottles, bags and wrappers! **Meet by the Wye Bridge, by Ashwood Park**, and we'll clean up anywhere in the park itself that needs it, plus the coach and lorry park over the road then head up into Fairfield. As usual litter picking gadgets, bags and hi viz jackets will be provided, but please wear stout footwear and gloves. Wheelbarrows are useful if you have one for loading and carrying the full bags. More information from Karen - stoop.farm@btinternet.com - and suggestions of where in the town is in need of attention next are always welcome, just let us know.

BUXTON CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 11TH JULY

We have a plan! Roddie's pick-up will be appropriately decorated with garlands, logoed A-frame and happy flowerpot people, accompanied by Town Team members on foot with various props including wheelbarrows with more flowerpot people in them. **If you can join us we'd be delighted**, and if you brought a flowerpot friend that would be even better. The preparing of the pickup will take place on **Friday 10th from mid morning**, outside Roddie's house halfway up Church Street. Then on the day we need to be at the start point on Lightwood Rd by 12 noon, for judging, the procession starts promptly at 2pm. More information from and offers of help to Dick - richard@plancoop.co.uk .

BUXTON IN BLOOM

It's now past the closing date for entries, and we have a phenomenal number, Janine hasn't announced the exact tally yet but it's well over 70! There are certainly a lot of Flower Pot People scattered across the town, and of course there's nothing to stop you adding one or two on your front step, even if they won't now get to be judged. Every house should have one! If you'd like to get involved in judging the local competition, do get in touch with Janine - janinekaihau@hotmail.com Meanwhile the judges for the East Midlands in Bloom competition will be here on 8th July, and the team will show them the highlights of the town's horticultural efforts, and present them with a beautiful hand produced portfolio of everything that's been done since their visit last year.

TALKING SIGNPOSTS FROM 8TH JULY ...

The talking signposts will start their duties on Wednesday 8th July, covering two or three shifts each day through to the end of August. If you've already had a letter from us with instructions on how to join the rota, please go to the doodlepoll and book your shifts as soon as possible. If you'd like to take part and haven't had the letter, or if you just want to know more, either email

townteam@buxtontownteam.org or call Tina on 01298 24219.

ASHWOOD PARK

The students from Buxton & Leek College who were helping out have all gone home now for the summer, but the gardening continues - usually on a Wednesday afternoon, but there will also be an evening session some time soon to clear out the river. If you want to help out, everyone is welcome, get in touch with Claire - c.e.millard@sky.com.

FLOWER TUBES AND GARLANDS

Last year's amazing milk bottle flower tubes have been refurbished and should be going up on the lamp posts soon. In addition the URC Guides have created a magnificent garland from discarded fabric flowers, which will be hung somewhere in the town very soon - keep your eyes open for this, and brownie points for the first person to spot it and send us a photo for the Facebook page!

SERPENTINE COMMUNITY FARM OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 18TH JULY 10am-4pm

This isn't strictly a Town Team project, but we've supported them since the Transition Buxton team came to the Ideas Meeting back in February 2014, and shared their vision for the derelict Park Nursery. They obtained a licence from HPBC to work on the site towards the end of last year, and a team of volunteers have now completely transformed what was a bit of a wasteland; there's now a productive greenhouse and raised beds in the garden, and masses of saplings have been cleared out. While there's still huge amounts to do (and lots of funding needed) it is truly impressive progress for such a short time. They'd be delighted to welcome you and show you round the site, there will be food and sustainability related activities too, more details from Janine - janinekaihau@hotmail.com.

As ever there's more information about what the Town Team has been doing on the [website](#) and on our [Facebook page](#).

That's it for now, hope to see you soon,
Janet, Tina, Andy and John,
Your Town Team Communications Team