

AUGUST PROGRAMME

We hope to see you at some of our creative arts events. For **details/help with lifts** please see notes & contact details on the back page.

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| Tuesday 2nd August Creative Writing group Creative Space – Viv: Mandalas | 55/57 Queens Drive 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm |
| Wednesday 3rd August Outdoor Painting - Marion | Lazy Trout, Meerbrook 12.00 lunch then Meerbrook |
| Wednesdays 3rd, 17th & 31st August Walk & Click photo competition | 55 Queens Drive 09.15am – 09.45am |
| Friday 5th & 12th August Gordon, Moorlands Stories (3,5) depart BV | Dove Valley Centre 1.15pm, return BV 3.45pm |
| Sunday 7th August Gordon, Moorlands Stories (4) Family event | Tittesworth 10.00am - 4.00pm |
| Tuesday 9th August Creative Writing group Creative Space– Sue/Elspeth: hay meadow (3) | 55/57 Queens Drive 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm |
| Wednesday 10th August Outdoor Painting - Marion | Black Lion, Consall 12.00 lunch then the Forge |
| Tuesday 16th August Creative Writing group Creative Space– Viv: Peak Park Visual Stories | 55/57 Queens Drive 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm |
| Wednesday 17th August Outdoor Painting - Marion | Flying Horse, Leek 12.00 lunch then Bradnop |
| Friday 19th August Adela: Poetry Walk (with Free lunch) Gordon, Moorlands Stories (final preparations) | J Hall Garden & 57 Queens Drive 10.30am-1pm @ JHG 1.30pm-3.30pm @ BV |
| Tuesday 23rd August Creative Writing group (@ BV as usual) Creative Space - Niall: Vegetable Orchestra | 55 & Kniveden Garden 10.30am - 12.30pm Kniveden Garden depart BV 1.15pm, return BV 3.45pm |
| Wednesday 24th August Outdoor Painting - Marion | Flash Bar Stores 12.00 lunch then Cross Side |
| Tuesday 30th August Creative Writing group Creative Space – Viv: Goodbye to Summer | 55/57 Queens Drive 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm |

Picnic in a Hay-meadow

A perfect day at the Dove Valley Centre: sun, flowers, grasses, bird song and peace; we admired the barn owl box and met a frog. Everyone wrote in the log and people took photos and sketched. Ecominds funded a delicious lunch, beautifully prepared by Sarah. We worked on a structure for the words, photos and sketches and did some flower painting. The final workshop is this month.



Wall-to-wall rain

By contrast, the Biddulph Grange Country Park and Royal British Legion celebrations were deluged. Andy worked in a marquee and Viv made '535 poppies' in the Beer Tent. Being the only dry place in the Park, it was very popular.

Moorlands Stories

Back at the Dove Valley Centre on another glorious day, we experimented with heads for papier-mache puppets which might inhabit the area and wrote little back-stories for them. More characters, stories and poems will evolve over the coming weeks and will 'perform' at the Just-So-Festival – a family arts festival.



Sculpture designs

Led by Sheena, we developed some brilliantly inventive designs for a 3-D sculpture to go in the hard-landscaping alongside No 55.

The Haregate Environmental & Community Group and Moorlands Housing will select one to be fabricated in metal.

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NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

Park Art – the view from Haregate; supported by the Peak District Sustainable Development Fund. January – December 2011

A Breath of Fresh Air. On behalf of Big Lottery, funded by Ecominds to involve people with experience of mental distress in environmental projects to improve both mental wellbeing & the local community.

Ecominds



Pam Sandiford facilitates **Creative Writing** (Tuesday morning); this very supportive group welcomes anyone interested in words.

Tuesday p.m. **Creative Space** is a chance to experiment. **Viv** leads 3 varied **Park Art** sessions. **Sue & Elspeth** round off the **Hay Meadow** trip; there's lots to do even if you couldn't come. Help **Niall** make a **Vegetable Orchestra** (google 'Vienna Vegetable Orchestra' for a flavour) in lovely **Kniveden Gardens**.

Gordon's Friday workshops (2 @ Dove Valley Centre) continue - **stories & puppets** in response to landscape for the **Just-So Festival** (August 20/21). We've some free passes for BV helpers.

Come on a **Walk & Click** session to enter the photo **competition**. The **Poetry Walk** (19th) is a joint activity with **John Hall Garden**.

Ring **01538 360432** for details of Marion's **Outdoor Painting**.

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Newsletter

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Adela (Rethink) leads a **Poetry Walk** from John Hall Garden (bring your own or favourite poems to read) before **free lunch** provided by BV. Tell Andy if you hope to come.

Two more visits to the **Dove Valley Centre**, working on **Moorlands Stories (& puppets)** with **Gordon**. We've some free Just-So-Festival passes for anyone involved.

Mandalas, visual stories, hay-meadows, a vegetable orchestra: a real medley for Tuesday afternoons.

Bring a camera or camera/phone (or borrow a BV one) and enter the **Walk & Click photographic competition**.

We hope for fine weather for Marion's annual summer **Outdoor Painting** sessions (fortified by a pub lunch).