

December Newsletter 2024

We've had a great year at Bushmead Hub, welcoming lots of new faces and groups to our community building. We've loved seeing all of your parties, Mendhi's, wedding celebrations and so many more wonderful events. We have a few events coming up this December at the Hub to round off the year with a bang! **Thank you** for your support of the Hub and we ask that you continue to support us by sharing our online posts, interacting with social media, spreading the word about our events and groups, volunteering and attending events when you are able.



Our Christmas fundraiser quiz night is now less than a week away! We are down to our last couple of tables now so don't miss your chance to get booked in now!



Our yearly 'Young at Heart' adults Christmas party is back! 18th December from 12pm. Book your places now! Kaushal runs a weekly Tai Chi Kung session at the Hub on Saturday mornings from 9am-10am. Her sessions are all year round (not term time only) and will be breaking for Christmas between 21st December, returning 4th January. All abilities welcome, booking NOT required!



Volunteering News with Wildlife Trust!

Volunteer this winter to enjoy and look after the local green spaces!

There are various volunteering opportunities with Wildlife Trust and other local groups to consider:

- Bushmead Garden Hub. The Garden Club sessions have now stopped for Winter. However, we would be very happy to hear from you if you want to help with maintaining Hub Garden areas. We have plans to expand the wildlife garden near the front of the Hub and continue with bee friendly planting. Speak to Matt if interested:

 matt.sutcliffe@wildlifebcn.org
- Volunteer on many nature reserves across Bedfordshire with Wildlife Trust BCN
 Work Parties (<u>bedfordshire@wildlifebcn.org</u>).
- Join our Youth Rangers (for young people aged 12-18). We meet every month at various sites in Luton and Bedfordshire to under take conservation activities and learn new skills. The next activity is taking place on **21st of December** at Stopsley Common where our young volunteers will be planting a new hedgerow linking Haywood and the top of Bradgers Hill.

More details here!

- The Friends of Bradgers Hill are always looking for volunteers and are open to new ideas for tasks, such as placing wildlife trail cameras, undertaking wildlife surveys, litter picking, maintaining, and clearing paths. Please contact Matt (matt.sutcliffe@wildlifebcn.org) or Paul Hammond (paul.hammond3@btinternet.com) for more information.
- Join Luton Borough Council with Monday nature conservation activities to look after various green spaces in Luton. LBC countryside volunteers will be undertaking a Christmas task almost on your doorstep, at Bradgers Hill on **16th of December**.

 E-mail: parksvolunteers@luton.gov.uk.



Following concern from some members of the community regarding parking issues on busy Fridays we have implemented additional parking measures and work with groups who bring more people to the Hub to ensure responsible road use. We are proud to have groups who are bringing large numbers of people to Bushmead and the Hub and will continue to work together to prevent any further issues.





Singspace Choir are doing their Christmas concert on 16th December.

Last few tickets remaining!

We are running a fun Christmas colouring competition! Drop your entries in to the office to be in with a chance of winning!

Book Tickets



We have joined Bluesky Social!
Follow us at:
@bushmeadhub.bsky.social

We all hope you have a wonderful December and have enjoyed this month's newsletter! See you in the new year!

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