

# Banner Cross Neighbourhood Group:

## What's on in August, 2017

**Tues & Thurs**  
**1<sup>st</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**

### **Kelham Island Creators**

Kelham Island Museum, Alma Street 10.30am – 12noon

Super sessions for mini-making youngsters who love to learn! This exciting new toddler group brings to life themes from the museum. You'll learn songs and stories with the Kelham Creator team in the Melting Shop and enjoy make and take activities, dressing up, colouring and family trails! Every session says goodbye with the River Don Engine in steam! A picnic space is available after the session.

Parent supervision required. £2 per session includes resources and museum entry. Each session is self-contained so can be booked individually subject to availability. Places are limited. To book your place please contact [kelhamcreators@simt.co.uk](mailto:kelhamcreators@simt.co.uk)

**Tues**  
**1<sup>st</sup>**

### **Make & Take Tuesdays Summer Holiday Fun**

Kelham Island Museum, Alma Street 10.30am – 12.30pm

Every Tuesday throughout August. Fun craft activities inspired by our Sheffield 1916: Steel, Steam and Power project.

All ages welcome. £1 per child per session. Normal museum admission also applies Adults £6 | Concessions £5 | Accompanied Children U16 FREE These are all drop-in session unless stated otherwise, however at busy times there may be a short wait.

**Tues/Wed**  
**1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: Ecclesall Woods Wild Play - Summer Bug Hunt**

Woodland Discovery Centre, Abbey Lane Tues, 10am-12noon & 1.30pm-3.30pm/Wed, 10am-12noon

Booking for this event is essential. To register for the event and pay via Paypal or credit/debit card, please fill in your details on the website at: [www.wildsheffield.com](http://www.wildsheffield.com) Booking is complete once payment has been made.

Children must be accompanied by an adult on all of our WildPlay events. Please register both adults and children when booking online. Children under 2 can attend for free and do not need to be registered.

**Wed**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Friends of the Porter Valley: Open Meeting**

Bents Green Methodist Church 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Our speaker will be Ben Keywood from Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust on "Much Ado About Nothing"

**Wed**  
**2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet: Make Your Own Wednesdays**

AIH, Abbeydale Road South 10.00am – 12.30pm

Each Wednesday throughout August: **2 August – Trees** (Make your own Leaf Art); **9 August - Creatures** (Make your own Creature); **16 August – Fire** (Make your own Decorated Pot); **23 August – Water** (Make your own Waterwheel); **30 August - Wind** (Make your own Kite)

These are all drop-in session unless stated otherwise, however at busy times there may be a short wait. £1 per child per session. Normal admission applies. Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children FREE.

**Fri**  
**4<sup>th</sup>**

### **Freddie Mercury Tribute Dinner**

Napoleon's Casino, Ecclesall Road

Tickets for the night cost just £35 per person & include a 3 course meal and drink. You'll also get a £5 gaming chip to play with in the casino. Call 266 1115 to book and for information

**Sat**  
**5<sup>th</sup>**

### **Friends of the Porter Valley: The Porter Valley's Woodland Heritage**

Hunter's Bar entrance to Endcliffe Park 10.00am – 12.00noon

A round walk of about 2 hours, lead by Ruth Morgan. The many species of tree will be identified from ancient oaks to more recent plantings. Ruth also refers to growth patterns and the properties of the various woods and the uses to which they were put.

**Sat**  
**5<sup>th</sup>**

### **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: Volunteer work day on Blacka Moor**

Blacka Moor is on the A625 out of Sheffield a few hundred yards on the left before Fox House. 10am – 3pm Practical volunteer days at Blacka Moor are held on the first Saturday and third Thursday every month.

Tasks vary from footpath improvements and access work, to habitat and vegetation management. Gloves, tools, and refreshments are provided, but wear suitable outdoor clothes and boots, and bring some lunch and drinking water if you're able to come for the whole day. Please contact beforehand: 0114 263 4335

- Sun 6<sup>th</sup>**      **Abbeylead Miniature Railway: 'Teddy Bears' Picnic'**  
 Abbeylead Road South (near Dore station on opposite side of road)      1.00pm – 5.00pm  
 Proceeds to Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity  
 Visiting locos and free exhibition      All rides £1.50 per ride
- Sun 6<sup>th</sup>**      **General Cemetery: Historical Tour**  
 Meet at the Gatehouse, Cemetery Avenue      2.00pm  
 Discover the history of the Cemetery and learn about some of its residents on this guided walk.  
 Free light refreshments at the end of the tour. Free event but suggested minimum donation of £3.
- Mon 7<sup>th</sup>**      **Whirlow Hall Farm: Tots on the Farm**  
 Every Monday throughout the school holidays at 10.00am and 1.00pm  
 Storytelling and fun on the farm for the under-5s.  
 Pre-booking only. See the WHF website for details.
- Mon 7<sup>th</sup>**      **'Magical Beasts and Mythical Monsters'**  
 Ecclesall Library      2.00pm – 3.30pm  
 Beth Guiver, children's storyteller. There are some terrific tales of monsters and mythical creatures all the way from the snowy peaks of the Himalayas and the dark caves of North America to the wild seas of the Viking gods. There will be a simple puppet craft session after the story. For children 6 – 11 years old. Call 0114 2037222 for details.
- Tues 8<sup>th</sup>**      **Totley Townswomen's Guild: Summer Concert**  
 Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall      2.00pm  
 Entry £6 in aid of St. Luke's Hospice and The Autism Society. Call 2509670 for details
- Tues/Wed 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: Ecclesall Woods Wild Play – Natural Art**  
 Woodland Discovery Centre, Abbey Lane      Tues, 10am-12noon & 1.30pm-3.30pm/Wed, 10am-12noon  
 Come and join us to look at the colours of summer and make art with natural materials which you can take home with you. Booking for this event is essential. To register for the event and pay via Paypal or credit/debit card, please fill in your details on the website at: [www.wildsheffield.com](http://www.wildsheffield.com) Booking is complete once payment has been made.  
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- Tues 8<sup>th</sup>**      **Wyvern Walkers: From Holmesfield Walk**  
 From Homesfield we pass Cartledge Hall before descending to Millthorpe. Through woodland and quiet lanes, open farmland with good views, returning via Unthank. Meet Dore Old School Car Park, 9.30am. Transport (car sharing) provided for those without; please remember that walkers partake at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. The group does not have comprehensive insurance. Finally, please be sure to wear stout footwear and suitable outdoor clothing.  
 Further details from David Bearpark 0114 2369100 (5 miles)
- Wed 9<sup>th</sup>**      **Totley Probus Club: 'An Unexpected Family History'**  
 Totley Rise Methodist Church      10.00am  
 A talk by Silvia Atkinson      Visitors welcome.
- Fri 11<sup>th</sup>**      **British Cactus & Succulent Society: 'Cold, Tolerant Succulents'**  
 Scouts' Headquarters, Trippet Lane, S1      7.30pm  
 A talk with David Quail. Table show of any cold, hardy cactus or succulent.  
 Free entrance to all comers.
- Fri 11<sup>th</sup>**      **'A Different Thread'**  
 Nether Edge Bowling Club      7.30pm  
 A Different Thread consists of singer and songwriter Robert Jackson and versatile classical cellist Isaac Collier. Tickets £6 – phone Michelle on 07742 627839 or email: [nedgbc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nedgbc@yahoo.co.uk)
- Sat 12<sup>th</sup>**      **Friends of Gillfield Wood: Bird Walk through Gillfield Wood**  
 Meet at Scout hut off Aldam Road      8.00am
- Sat 12<sup>th</sup>**      **Friends of Whinfell Quarry: Workday**  
 Volunteers meet at the main gate to the gardens at 9.30am.  
 General maintenance and gardening work.

- Sat  
12<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield Astronomical Society: Sungazing**  
 Sheffield Botanical Gardens      1.00pm – 4.00pm  
 Join us in the Botanical Gardens where you can use the Society's specialist solar observing equipment to safely view Sunspots, Prominences, Filaments and other features of our closest stellar neighbour! Remember folks - safety first. DO NOT OBSERVE THE SUN DIRECTLY UNLESS YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU ARE DOING! Sheffield Astronomical Society operates specialist equipment which is used to safely observe the Sun. You only have two eyes. Look after them.
- Sun  
13<sup>th</sup>**      **Lowedges Festival**  
 Greenhill Park      12noon – 5.30pm  
 This is a huge event set over several acres of flat park land and includes something for everyone. There will be a big top with top reggae bands including: Truly Apparent, Steel City Rhythm, Trixie Bang and Band, Irie White from Norfolk and Pantonic Steel Band from Stockport. There will also be a huge free beach with deck chairs and buckets & spades plus several free funfair rides, plus a farmers market, historic re-enactment, arts & craft stalls, a dance arena, a dog show, hot food areas, a balloon race, a teddy bear parachute drop and so much more. Also the ever-popular Classic Car Show is back with 500 classic cars.
- Sun  
13<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield & District Orchid Society: 'Orchids but not as we know them'**  
 Education Centre, Botanical Gardens      10.15am – 12noon  
 A talk by Helen Milner.      Visitors and new members very welcome
- Mon  
14<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: 'Shmapped – Meersbrook Park Guided Walk'**  
 Meersbrook Park      11.00am – 1.00pm  
 Grab a cuppa (and a biscuit or two) and sit down for a chat with us to find out all about this exciting new project. Afterwards, we'll be going on a guided walk around the beautiful Walled Garden with volunteers from Meersbrook Park User's Trust AND a guided tour of the historical Bishop's House! It's a great opportunity to try the app out and learn more about the area! Learn something new, be part of a worthwhile project and enjoy some of the beautiful places Sheffield has to offer! Please wear suitable footwear and bring a waterproof for the walk and a charged smartphone to download the app. For details or to book online go to: [www.wildsheffield.com](http://www.wildsheffield.com)
- Mon  
14<sup>th</sup>**      **Joe Logan Cartoon Workshops (for children 8 – 16 years)**  
 Ecclesall Library      2.00pm – 3.00pm  
 Join professional artist Joe Logan and create your own animal characters based on this year's Summer Reading Challenge theme : 'Animal Agents'. Call 0114 2037222 for details
- Tues/Wed  
15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: Ecclesall Woods Wild Play – Meet a Tree**  
 Woodland Discovery Centre, Abbey Lane      Tues, 10am-12noon & 1.30pm-3.30pm/Wed, 10am-12noon  
 Come and join us to hunt for minibeasts and make dens! Can you find different types of leaves? Have you met a tree before? Come and find out about the wonderful world of trees and make a mini-shelter for creatures. Booking for this event is essential. To register for the event and pay via Paypal or credit/debit card, please fill in your details on the website at: [www.wildsheffield.com](http://www.wildsheffield.com) Booking is complete once payment has been made.  
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- Thurs  
17<sup>th</sup>**      **Beauchief Environment Group: Moth Survey in Beauchief Abbey Grounds**  
 Meet Beauchief Abbey from 8.30pm  
 Last year's moth survey had to be cancelled due to bad weather. (If this is postponed it will be run on Thursday, 31 August). Another is planned for this year led by Richard Harris of Sheffield Ecology Unit. Further details from [beauchief-environmentgroup@virginmedia.com](mailto:beauchief-environmentgroup@virginmedia.com)
- Thurs  
17<sup>th</sup>**      **Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust: Volunteer work day on Blacka Moor**  
 Blacka Moor is on the A625 out of Sheffield a few hundred yards on the left before Fox House. 10am – 3pm (See notice for 5 August above)      Please contact beforehand: 0114 263 4335
- Thurs-Tues  
17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**      **Zippo's Circus**  
 Endcliffe Park  
 Please visit the Zippos Circus website for details and ticket information.
- Sun  
20<sup>th</sup>**      **Friends of Gillfield Wood: Practical Conservation Morning**  
 Meet at Baslow Road bus terminus      10.00am  
 Run with the help of Sheffield Council Ranger Service

- Sun 20<sup>th</sup>**      **Ecclesall Woods Craft Courses: Introduction to Pole Lathe**  
 J.G.Graves Woodland Discovery Centre, Abbey Lane      9.30am – 4.00pm  
 A course to introduce you to Green wood craft and how to use a pole lathe. Have you ever wanted to make something amazing but lacked the confidence to have a go? Course fee: £85  
 For more information please contact 0114 235 6348 or book online
- Tues 22<sup>nd</sup>**      **Friends of the Porter Valley: Workday**  
 Whiteley Woods to Forge Dam      10.00am – 3.00pm  
 Regular Tuesday workday but meeting this time at 10 to collect tools from Wire Mill Dam car park off Whiteley Wood Road. Woodland management tasks all through up to Forge Dam: self sets to be cleared, path and drain clearance. Wear stout shoes and outdoor clothing. Refreshments at Forge Dam Cafe around 12pm Contact Ann le Sage at: [ann@lesage.org.uk](mailto:ann@lesage.org.uk) or on 07790250087 for details.
- Tues 22<sup>nd</sup>**      **Friends of the Botanical Gardens: Plants given an Award of Garden Merit**  
 Education Centre, Botanical Gardens      10.00am – 12noon  
 Don Witton will describe plants which have received the Royal Horticultural Society's Award of Garden Merit. Visitors welcome £3
- Tues-Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>**      **Opera on Location: 'Carmen'**  
 Kelham Island Museum, Alma Street      7.15pm – 9.45pm  
 Three performances sung in English Tickets: £21 / £19 concessions (including a £1 booking fee) available from: [www.sivtickets.com/event/carmen2017](http://www.sivtickets.com/event/carmen2017), by phone: (0114) 223 3777, or from the City Hall box office.
- Wed 23<sup>rd</sup>**      **Totley Probus Club: 'Route 66'**  
 Totley Rise Methodist Church      10.00am  
 A talk by Richard Booth Visitors welcome
- Thurs 24<sup>th</sup>**      **Bishop's House: The Diamond Family Archive**  
 Bishop's House, Norton Lees Lane      7.30pm  
 The Diamond Family Archive are an English lo-fi, psych-folk, multi-instrumentalist duo from The South Hams in Devon. Tickets £8. Book online at: [www.bishopshouse.org.uk](http://www.bishopshouse.org.uk)
- Thurs 24<sup>th</sup>**      **Friends of Gillfield Wood: Family Activities – Woodland Day**  
 Meet: at the end of Totley Hall Lane at 09:45 (morning session) and 12:45 (afternoon session).  
**Stream Dipping 10am to 12 noon.** Discover the minibeasts living in Totley Brook. This is hands-on session using nets for dipping in the brook. Wear wellies or shoes that can go in the water. Bring a towel in case you get splashed.  
**Dens and Fires 1pm to 3pm** If you were stuck in the middle of a forest and had to spend the night there, would you survive? Build your family a shelter and try and make yourselves a fire to cook marshmallows on! Wear sensible shoes and old clothing to work in the wood.  
**Details:** please register your interest with our FoGW secretary ([fogwsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:fogwsecretary@gmail.com)). Children must be accompanied by parents or guardians for the whole event. Families can take part in just one or both of these activities. Please bring a packed lunch if you intend to stay for the whole day as well as drinks and snacks to keep you going. The activities are run in partnership with the Tree Charter campaign and are free of charge to families of young children.
- Sat 26<sup>th</sup>**      **Ecclesall Woods Craft Courses: Greenwood Spoon Carving Course**  
 J.G.Graves Woodland Discovery Centre, Abbey Lane      9.30am – 4.00pm  
 Learn the ancient art of spoon carving in greenwood. Basic spoon carving is an excellent and relaxing opportunity to get away from it all and do something different for a day. Course fee: £85  
 For more information please contact 0114 235 6348 or book online
- Sun 27<sup>th</sup>**      **Wyvern Walkers: Bradwell Walk**  
 From Bradwell over the hills, through the cement works and over Mich Low to Bradwell. Meet Dore Old School Car Park, 9.30am. Transport (car sharing) provided for those without; please remember that walkers partake at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. Stout footwear and suitable outdoor clothing essential. Further details from Chris Cave 0114 2364648 (6 miles)
- Sun/Mon 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>**      **Abbeyle Miniature Railway**  
 Abbeyle Road South (near Dore station on opposite side of road)      1.00pm – 5.00pm  
 Visiting locos and free exhibition      All rides £1.50 per ride  
 (Please note: tickets for Santa's Special will be on sale on these days, price £8)

**Tues/Wed  
29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>**

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**Wed-Fri  
30<sup>th</sup>-1 Sept**

**Whirlow Hall Farm: Playscheme**

Three days of fun on the farm for children 6 – 11.

Full supervision by trained staff between 9 am and 3:30 pm.

£38 per child per day, £30 if booking for more than 1 child or more than 1 day.

Call the education team on 0114 2360096 to enquire about availability, or mail us

[educationenquiries@whirlowhallfarm.org](mailto:educationenquiries@whirlowhallfarm.org)

**Ecclesall Library: regular sessions**

Most regular sessions (but not all) are discontinued through August. Those continuing are:

**Babytime** every Thursday 2.00pm – 3.00pm for babies 0 – 18 months with parents/guardians in the children’s library

**Sports Memories** every Wednesday 10.30am – 12noon for the over-50s

**Knit & Natter** every Friday 10.30am – 12noon

**Coffee Morning** 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month 10.00am – 12noon (proceeds to W>O>R>K>, Bents Green)

For further details, please contact the library on 0114 2037222

**New Opening Times at Ecclesall Library starting Monday, 4 September**

Monday	10.00 – 17.30	Friday	12.30 – 18.30
Tuesday	CLOSED	Saturday	10.00 – 16.00
Wednesday	10.00 – 14.00	Sunday	CLOSED
Thursday	10.00 – 17.30		

**Woodcraft Folk Groups**

*For people who wild swimming, outdoor cooking, singing, crafts, friendship and care about peace, cooperation.*

**Woodcraft Elfins, 6-9 year-olds** on Monday in Meerbrook, Tuesday in Bingham Park, Wednesday in Nether Edge. All at 6.00pm - 7.30pm

**Woodcraft Pioneers, 9/10-12 year olds** on Monday in Meerbrook, Wednesday in Nether Edge. Tuesday in Bingham Park, 7.00pm - 8.15pm

**Woodcraft Teenagers Group, 12/13-15 years** called Venturers, Monday, or Wednesday at 7-8.30/9pm

Parents and kids are involved in planning each term and support group nights on a rota basis. Also residential and camping trips each year. To know more email Kerensa at [sheffieldporter@woodcraft.org.uk](mailto:sheffieldporter@woodcraft.org.uk) or call/text 07900057165 also see [www.woodcraft.org.uk](http://www.woodcraft.org.uk).

**Jazz at the Lescar**

Lescar Hotel, Sharrow Vale Road 8.45pm

**Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup>** Richard Iles/Jamie Taylor Quartet £6

**Wed. 9<sup>th</sup>** Emily Francis Trio £6

**Health Walks with Step-Out Sheffield**

Walks last no longer than one hour and are at your own pace. Ditch the walking boots, this is a gentle way to improve your health, have fun and meet new people in your local environment!

**Ecclesall Woods**

**Tuesdays** Meet at 10.30am at Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet car park

**Thursdays** Meet at 10.30am at the J.G. Graves Woodland Discovery Centre

**Porter Valley**

**Tuesdays** Each Tuesday meet at 1.30pm at Endcliffe Park café

**BANNER CROSS NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP**

If you would like to join the BXNG (no membership subscription) and receive this monthly calendar by email as well as other local information or if would like to have an event publicised, please contact the Secretary either on: 0114 2557198 or by email with your name and address at:

[bannercrossneighbourhoodgroup@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bannercrossneighbourhoodgroup@hotmail.co.uk)