

BLOSSOM DAYS AND ORCHARD TRAILS
Further information will be available in due course

CARSE OF GOWRIE ORCHARD FESTIVAL - 17th to 25th OCTOBER 2009

See separate leaflet or download information from
www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk

FURTHER WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR: Contact the Tayside Biodiversity Partnership or the Plants with Purpose for details, or check www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk.

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CARSE OF GOWRIE ORCHARDS

*Training Courses
Programme 2009-10*

ALL DAY WORKSHOP / PLANTING DAY

"New Orchard Planning and Practical Tree Planting"

Saturday, 28th November 2009 - 10.00am to 2.30pm

Bankfoot Church Centre Community Garden

Leader - Andrew Lear, Apple Tree Man

Small charge - to be made on the day to the Bankfoot Church Centre Community Garden

A short morning workshop to discuss the theory of on-site planting, staking, and formative pruning. Coffee on arrival, and a light lunch will be available in the Church Hub. In the afternoon theory will turn to practice with an opportunity to help plant the new community orchard.

If you are only able to come for the workshop just book for the morning session. *Book direct via www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk.*

PRACTICAL TRAINING COURSES

Pre-booking will be essential as places will be strictly limited.

Saturday, 6th February 2010

Winter Pruning (Elcho Castle) £15 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk.

Book direct with Tayside Biodiversity Partnership (details: back page)

Learn the techniques of this essential orchard task. Please bring along tools if possible. Refreshments will be available. Choose the morning session (from 10am to 1pm - coffee on arrival; soup and roll on departure) or the afternoon session (12.30pm to 3.30pm - soup and roll on arrival; coffee on departure). Limited places.

Saturday, 6th March 2010

Bench Grafting (Bankfoot) £15 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk

Book direct via: www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk.

A beginners/introductory workshop to learn how to graft fruit trees; there will be a mix of theory and practical participation and different grafting techniques. Participants to bring a shoot and take away a graft of their own tree/s. Half day (10am to 2pm) - tea /coffee provided. Limited places.

Saturday, 3rd April 2010.

Pests and Diseases of Fruit Trees (SCRI Invergowrie) £15 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk.

Book direct via www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk

A hands-on workshop from 10am to 3pm. An exploration of fruit pests and diseases and their prevention/control. Tea / Coffee provided.

Saturday May 8th 2010.

Pollination Essentials (Glendoick Garden Centre) £15 per person

Leader - Margaret Lear.

Booking essential at: www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk

Learn about the biology of pollination and how to attract and manage pollinating insects, with special reference to orchard trees. From 10am to 1pm. After lunch, an optional guided walk in Glendoick gardens, admission charge only. Refreshments will be available.

Saturday, 7th August 2010.

Budding Fruit Trees Workshop (Historic Orchards Nursery) £15 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk

Book direct via www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk

A half day workshop 10 am to 2pm covering both theory of budding fruit trees and a practical hands-on workshop on field grown plants. Refreshments provided. Limited numbers - book early. Bring a pruning knife if you have one, and shoots of your tree. Full details upon booking.

Monday, 16th August 2010.

Plum Identification Evening (SCRI Invergowrie) £5 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk

Bring some plums /damsons and spend an evening from 6.30pm until 9pm, with books and guides to discover the identification of your fruit. A visit to a local plum orchard with 20 varieties will be included.

Sunday 12th September 2010.

Orchards and Pears of Perthshire £15 per person

Leader - Andrew Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk

Book direct via www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk

A short stroll with a guide through The Carse of Gowrie orchard history, with a special look at the many varieties of pears. 2pm till 5pm. More information nearer the time.

Monday 13th September 2010.

Botany for Fruit Identification (SCRI, Invergowrie) £5 per person

Leader - Andrew and Margaret Lear, www.appletreeman.co.uk

Book direct via www.plantswithpurpose.co.uk

Bring some apples and pears and spend an evening on a workshop to give you the skills to identify your own fruit. 6.30 until 9pm.

October 2010 - date to be confirmed

Cider-Making Workshop

Further details available in due course from Tayside.biodiversity@ukf.net