

Gower Landscape Partnership

Newsletter – Issue 3

MARCH

GOWER LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP END OF PROGRAMME CELEBRATION

The programme comes to an end in June and to celebrate the successful delivery of so many funded projects, a celebratory event and other smaller events will take place in June 2018. This will be an opportunity for the programme to showcase all of the wonderful projects delivered and meet with everyone involved. More information will follow in the next bulletin.

GOWER DICTIONARY – PUBLICATION

The final finishes to the Gower dictionary are underway, we are planning on publishing the book and producing an E-book. The programme will be sending a copy to all schools and colleges as well as all libraries. If you are interested in a copy please let us know.

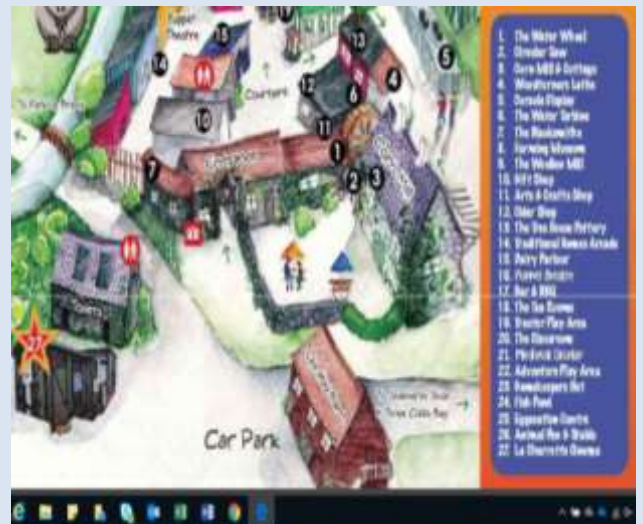
TREES PLANTING: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – LOTS OF DATES AVAILABLE



MANY hands make light work! We have literally thousands of trees to plant and need volunteers to help us plant the trees, creating

new and replacing old Hedgerows. Various dates coming up – however the first date will be a Training Day and takes place on Wednesday, 7th March near Rhossili however there are plenty of other dates! If you are interested, please contact us and we will send you further information.

GOWER HERITAGE CENTRE WALKING APP



The GHC Walking App will soon be available to be downloaded in Android and IOS. Available in 7 different languages, it will provide users with advice and guidance on the beacon sites within the Heritage Centre as well as information on the local area.

ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

25 new Gower oral history recordings have been completed as of 5th March 2018. A further six interviews are scheduled for the end of March 2018 and we're waiting to hear from 24 potential interviewees. Volunteers are currently working on the interview summaries

that will be deposited to the Archives on a gradual basis so they can be accessed by interested parties.

HEDGE PLANTING



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

There's still spaces left to come and give us a hand with our Hedge planting sessions - we definitely need more volunteers. Future dates include: 19, 21, 26 & 28th March. Possibly Saturday 17th and 24th March depending on demand.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST BOOK IN ADVANCE as we have maximum numbers per session. The sites will all be on Gower, 2 near Rhossili and Lunnon. Sessions will run 10am - 3pm approx. but start and end times flexible. Tools and gloves and instruction will be provided. All participants must arrive wearing clothing to suit the weather (to keep warm and dry) and a sturdy pair of boots / shoes with a good grip as the ground is likely to be uneven and possibly slippery. We'll provide a hot drink and biscuits too! We may also be able to offer some sessions to groups (of up to 8) but only by prior agreement; groups to be accompanied by a leader / supervisor and an agreed supervision

ratio. For more information, contact: helen.grey@swansea.gov.uk.

We can offer around 8 places on each date, and it will be first come first served. Also, please include your contact number and email so that we can send you full details once you have booked on. You can also call 07831 923244 for more info and to speak to Kate from Coeden Fach. Kate who will be running the sessions for us.

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LAUNCH OF 'OUR GOWER' EXHIBITION IN SWANSEA GRAND THEATRE.

This was a GLP-funded schools project exploring different places and habitats of Gower.

YEAR OF THE SEA – EXHIBITION & FILM PREMIER.

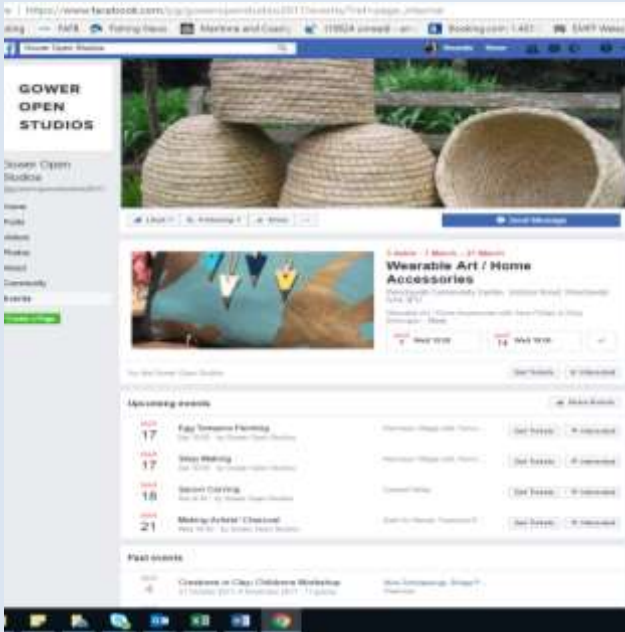
This is a film showing of David Marchant and Gower Unearthed film at his studio 'Buljam', Queens Rd, Mumbles 7-9pm.



COMING UP

GOWER OPEN STUDIOS

A series of workshops are being run in March from the GLP-funded Gower Open Studios – check out their Facebook page ‘Gower Open Studios@goweropenstudios2017’ for further information.



BIG BEACH CLEAN CHALLENGE EVENTS

Beat the plastics on our beaches in Wales.

Marine litter is a growing problem, we see all sorts of items washing up on our beaches, from cotton buds and mermaid tears to fishing nets and plastic bottles - keeping the coastline clean is a constant battle.



BEACH CLEAN DATES: -

- Whiteford – Monday 12 February, 12pm
- Rhossili – Saturday 3 March, 10am (as part of Spring Clean Cymru)
- Llangennith – Monday 19 March, 12pm
- Rhossili – Monday 9 April, 12pm
- Ramsgrove – Monday 14 May, 12pm
- Overton/Port Eynon Point – Monday 11 June, 12pm
- Slade / Lucas Bay – Monday 9 July, 12pm
- Nicholaston – Monday 13 August, 12pm
- Tor Bay – Monday 10 September, 12pm
- Three Cliffs – Monday 8 October, 12pm
- Pennard Cliffs/Hunts Bay – 12 November, 12pm
- Pwll Du – Monday 10 December, 12pm

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/news/beat-the-plastics-on-our-beaches-in-wales>

24 MARCH:

PENCLAWDD RAILWAY STATION RESTORED

Please come and be part of celebrating Penclawdd’s fantastic industrial past together with the famous Penclawdd Brass Band. Anyone who has memories of the trains running through the village will be particularly welcome, come and share your memories!

