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Hello and welcome

to the Spring 2018 edition of *Community Update* from the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority.

As the new Chief Executive of the National Park Authority, I am very pleased to be able to write this introduction. My first task is to say hello and welcome. We very much hope you will enjoy catching up with the work of our great staff and volunteers through news and stories from across the National Park.

Some of you will already know me as the former Director of Countryside and Land Management with the Authority but if not, I look forward to the opportunity of meeting more of you in the coming months and years.

These are uncertain times for us all and the next three years will be challenging ones for the Authority as resources are constrained further. But necessity is the mother of invention as the saying goes and I am confident that there will be new



If you would like to be placed on our mailing list or contribute to future editions, please be sure to contact the Communities Team via the A-Z of services at the end of this newsletter. This newsletter is also available online at http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/communities/community-newsletter/

Many thanks.

Julian Atkins Chief Executive Officer, Brecon Beacons National Park Authority.



The Brecon Beacons National Park Authority, Natural Resources Wales and the Canal and River Trust have joined together to highlight a walk to measure, challenge and increase the health and well-being of local residents.



Walkers can also enjoy the views, wildlife and everchanging scenery throughout the year. The walk starts at the Monmouthshire and Brecon canal basin and finishes at Brynich Lock, a distance of two miles.

Tear off route plans will be available to record progress on the timed and measured route. Signs will be installed at ten points and there will also be an exciting treasure hunt leaflet for children.

The plans and treasure hunt will be available by Easter at Brecon Surgery and online at http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/





Free event to encourage 'active ageing'

This free event aims to promote and encourage older people to participate in activities available in the Brecon Beacons National Park. There will be a wide selection of information stands, demonstrations and taster activities for all to try. The guest of honour is Dilys Price OBE, the world's oldest female skydiver who will inspire participants to try something new (not necessarily skydiving!)

Quest 88 will be offering a range of different bicycles specially designed to make cycling accessible for all. Participants can try geocaching - a type of treasure hunt with a sat nav and Freedom Leisure staff will be available to give taster sessions in a selection of indoor activities. There will be information on volunteering, walks of different levels and how to prevent trips and falls amongst many other stands and demonstrations.

Free tea and cake are available mid-morning and Freedom Leisure are offering a discounted healthy lunch option in the café. It will be an opportunity to have fun, try new activities and meet new people so why not go along and have a go!

Celebrating Good Health, Long Life and Happiness

- Tuesday 20th March 9.30am - 12.30bm
- Brecon Leisure Centre, Penlan, Brecon, LD3 9SR
- With Care & Repair in Powys, the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority, Freedom Leisure and Powys Integrated Sports

Get involved in the Gunpowder Works 'Explosive Times' Project at an open day on March 10th

The National Park Authority has been awarded significant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund and others, to carry out interpretation and essential work at the former Gunpowder Works at Pontneddfechan to save the structures. The Gunpowder Works are regarded as one of the most significant places in the story of the birthplace of the industrial revolution here in Wales.

Contractors will soon be on site to set up and begin work to safeguard the most 'at risk' structures. This work is expected to take between six and seven months; weekdays and some weekends. The aim is to keep as



Entrance to the Gunpowder works, operative from 1837-1931

much of the site open as at present. However, there may be times when it is necessary to close the path for safety reasons. To keep you informed, regular updates will be posted on the board opposite the Village Hall and information will also be online at www.breconbeacons.org/gunpowderworks.

There are also lots of opportunities to get involved, the first of which will be an open day for people to find out about the wide range of skills training and volunteering opportunities available – from archaeology to building conservation and becoming a volunteer warden. Come along and find out more on 10th March, 11-3pm at Pontneddfechan Village Hall.

To register your interest in the open day please contact llona Carati, Volunteer Development Officer, at llona.carati@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01874 620451. If you have any questions about the project, please contact Ruth at explosivetimesproject@beacons-npa.gov.uk, or ring 01874 620481.

Gunpowder Works becomes a classroom for school children

Children from Penderyn Primary School were given the chance to learn about the industrial past at the remains of the Gunpowder Works.

Education Officers from Brecon Beacons National Park Authority led the children on a walk around the heritage site, encouraging them to connect with the past and to also develop their knowledge of the natural environment.



Penderyn Primary School also recently became a 'Brecon Beacons National Park Ambassador School'. Education Officers awarded the school with a large map of the Park and each child received an 'Ambassador' badge.

The 'National Park Ambassador School' scheme is run by the Authority's Education Service and focuses on providing outdoor learning opportunities which encourage children to develop confidence and skills in the outdoors at an early age.

Penderyn school children at the Gunpowder works.



Welsh National Park Members with volunteers from Brecon's Nepalese Community.

Good practice showcased at the Welsh National Park Members Seminar

Last October, it was the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority's turn to host the annual Welsh National Park Members Seminar: Delegates came to Brecon from Pembrokeshire Coast and Snowdonia National Parks; the three Park Societies; Welsh Government; Natural Resources Wales and from Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Sharing good practice and making contacts in other Parks is of real benefit to Members who make decisions for the National Park Authorities The theme was partnership working and through four walks in and around Brecon, delegates were shown not only some of our current projects, but how these had been achieved through working with local people and organisations.

The walks took place around Brecon-the town centre highlighting our work on place plans; the canal with representatives from the Canal and RiverTrust; the Ghurkha path on the Promenade with volunteers from the Nepalese community and Pen-y-Crug hillfort to learn about the history of the site and the work we

have done with local landowners. One member from Pembrokeshire said that in all the years she had been coming to Brecon she had never realised it was such a fascinating town!

The keynote speaker that evening was Baroness Eluned Morgan, AM who spoke about her recently launched report Rural Wales: Time to Meet the Challenge 2025.

Geofest 20 8 Saturday 19th May until Sunday 3rd June

Did you know that the western half of the Brecon Beacons National Park is also a Geopark? Find out more about the Fforest Fawr UNESCO Global Geopark by attending Geofest 2018 this summer. A landscape carved by ice and shaped by man, the festival is a celebration of everything from its geology to its industrial heritage and geotrails.

480 million years in the making, Fforest Fawr Geopark is full of stories and places to explore. Join one of the many guided walks planned over the two weeks, or attend a talk to find out more about the wilder west of our National Park.

The popular Geofest Family Activity Day takes place in half term on Wednesday 30 May, I 0am-4pm at Craig-y-nos Country Park. Bring the whole family to try out the zip wire, stone carving, arts and crafts and visit the many stalls on the meadow.



Carreg Cennen Castle in the Geopark.

The full programme will soon be available at www.fforestfawrgeopark.org.uk/geofest-2018/

Successful youth employment project to be repeated

Twelve young people have successfully completed a two week 'Get into Rural Skills" course which included a range of practical work days at locations around the National Park.

They were awarded certificates following an awards ceremony with Welsh Rugby International Dan Lydiate at the National Park Visitor Centre at Libanus. The celebratory ceremony marked the end of the first recruitment process for the two year partnership project run by the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority and The Prince's Trust Cymru.

The project, which is 80% funded by Arwain (Powys Rural Development Plan LEADER), is aimed at engaging young people who are not currently fully employed and provides them with a chance to experience and understand the opportunities available in the local environmental heritage sector. The scheme focuses on supplying training and gaining vocational experience and skills.

Following the ceremony, six of the group were selected to take part in a three month traineeship with the National Park Authority. The rest worked with Princes Trust Cymru mentors to help with progression.

Rhian Mathias, Head of Enterprise and Employment at The Prince's Trust Cymru said, "The first programme has been a great success, and a testament to the ongoing partnership between The Prince's Trust and Brecon

Beacons National Park Authority. By working together on this programme, we hope to continue breaking down the many barriers facing many young people in the local area."

The recruitment process for the next 'Get into Rural Skills' scheme will start in April. Participants need to be between 18-30 years old, living in Powys and either unemployed or working under 16 hours. An enthusiasm for and interest in working outdoors in land management is essential. Details will be advertised shortly in the local area and on http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/

For further information contact Ceri Bevan on ceri.bevan@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01874 62047.

Participants with their certificates.



Reporting Rights of Way Issues

You can report any issues regarding our rights of way such as damage to footpaths, stiles or fingerposts to our Rights of Way Officer, Eifion Jones

eifion.jones@beacons-npa.gov.uk or call 01874 620452

Planning Surgery

This is available for advice on householder developments every Wednesday from 9.30-12.00 am and 1.30-3.00 pm at the National Park Offices, Brecon. Appointments are available in 30 minute slots and must be booked in advance.

To make an appointment or for any general planning enquiry, please call 01874 620431

Sustainable **Development Fund Enquiries**

For further information and advice about the Fund please see https://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/ communities/sustainability-2/substainabledevelopment-fund/ or contact either:

Helen Roderick or Ceri Bevan on 01874 620471

helen.roderick@beacons-npa.gov.uk ceri.bevan@beacons-npa.gov.uk

2018 Grant application deadlines:

- 6th June
- 22nd August
- 1st November

Cardiff People First celebrate completion of Brecon Beacons Challenge

Cardiff People First are celebrating after finishing the Brecon Beacons Challenge, completing ten popular walking routes within the Brecon Beacons National Park.

Members of the charity, run by and for people with learning disabilities in Cardiff, held a certificate giving ceremony at Craig-y-nos Country Park to mark their great achievement which included walks up the higher mountains of Cribarth and Sugar Loaf. Director, Ashlea Harris, secured funding from the Big Lottery Fund's Awards for All Wales programme to support the challenge. Since then the walks, led by the National Park Authority's Communities Team, have involved Powys People First and similar groups and those participating have forged good links and friendships along the way. A variety of sites have been visited including Llangorse Lake, Pen-y-Crug Hillfort and the Taf Fechan valley. The group were further proud of their achievement as

they were able to complete the challenge mostly by using public transport to travel to the walk locations around the National Park, helping develop independent living skills.

Simon Richards, Chair of Cardiff People First said:

"The challenge has given us the opportunity to enjoy new places, meet new people and make new friends. We hope to carrying on meeting up and exploring more of the Brecon Beacons together."

If you are a community group and are interested in running a project with the Communities Team please contact Francesca Bell, Community Development Officer francesca.bell@beacons-npa.gov. uk or ring 07854997530



Participants on the Brecon Beacons Challenge.

Sustainable Development Fund grants available for local communities

The National Park Authority's Sustainable Development Fund is accepting applications for 2018 - if you have a project idea please see details on the side panel for further information.

Recent projects awarded funding:

- The Llyn Syfaddan History Group have been awarded £5,907 to turn their newly acquired Talyllyn telephone box into an information point for locals and tourists. In the kiosk they plan to put interpretation panels covering the history and culture of Talyllyn, a social archive with a memory bench and planters outside. In addition, they are developing four leaflets for walking & cycling in the local area and they aim to promote local businesses using a poster cabinet.
- A grant of £6,650 to **Brecon 1st Scout Group** will support building works to upgrade the existing Scout hut to reflect the current needs of the organisation and to install energy efficiency savings in the form of lighting and insulation. The project will enable the group to widen their offering to young people in Brecon

- and the surrounding areas, whilst securing a more sustainable future through improved revenue generation.
- £3,652 has been awarded to **Bwlch Village** Hall to enable them to make improvements to their kitchen area which will enable an increase in external bookings and allow the local community to cater more professionally at local events too.
- The Llangattock Green Valleys Culture **Step Project** aims to increase and widen the understanding of the micro hydro process across local communities and beyond. They have been awarded a grant of £626 to support an extension to this artist-led programme to enable extra bilingual publicity, information leaflets and additional venue hire.



A scene from the animation.

Down to the sea - tales of the National Park tramlines

Although the Brecon Beacons are land locked, it did not prevent National Park Authority staff coming up with a creative idea to show how the Monmouthshire & Brecon canal linked the area to the sea. This resulted in a successful funding bid by the National Park Authority to Visit Wales, the Welsh Government's tourism team, to celebrate the Visit Wales 2018 theme of 'Year of the Sea'.

The canal changed the local population's lives forever along its whole length with people finding employment in the iron, lime and coal mining industries with the canal transporting these materials to the South Wales ports. Equally it allowed the transport of materials from those ports to the rural hinterland. Grain transport to Brecon was critically important in this landscape dominated by grazing rather than arable agriculture.

Brickwall, an animation and film company, have been appointed to devise, illustrate and animate a series of four, short animated films that tell the story of a family on a summer canal holiday down the waterway. As the family travel down to the sea they visit various landmarks. Each film flashes back to 1825 and the story focusses on one of the four tramroads that serviced the canal – Hay, Brinore, Llam-March and Hill's.

Another aspect to the project is to highlight existing easy walking routes which can be enjoyed by families with children and takes them to some of the main locations.

The animation will be launched on Monday 23rd April at Theatr Brycheiniog at 2pm.

For further information please contact Carol Williams, Tourism Growth Officer, carol.williams@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01874 620478.

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Brecon Beacons National Park International Dark Sky Reserve

Our guide to transforming your view of the night sky

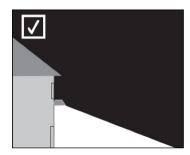
Over the last few decades more than 90% of the UK's population has lost the ability to see a truly dark sky. Here in the Brecon Beacons, we are one of the lucky few areas which still has pockets of pristine night skies. It is simple to make a few changes that will not only protect the view but really transform it too. It's all about having the right light, in the right place, at the right time!

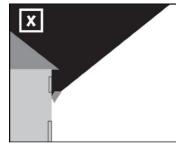
The right light

If you're considering new lighting or changing what you have, make sure you go for fully shielded lights so that the light illuminates what you want and minimises glare so you have a better view. Try not to go above a 40W standard bulb or 6W LED. Anything under 500 lumens is good. LEDs save money and are vastly more energy efficient but choose warm white lamps — anything else produces a cold white glare which doesn't look good and is very harmful for wildlife. The temperature should not be higher than "4000 Kelvin".

The right place

When floodlighting is unavoidable, just ensure that the light shines downwards and only where required, with no light escaping above the horizontal plane. If purchasing new lighting ensure the floodlight has the ability to tilt 90 degrees.





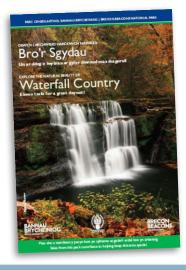
The right time

Fitting a PIR switch to allow the light to come on as needed is a great way to combat wasted light at night, leading to a more pristine night sky for you, your neighbours and also nocturnal animals who will be able to hunt effectively.

Why change?

- You'll be helping yourself and your neighbours enjoy more of the rare dark skies.
- Evidence proves limiting light pollution reduces stress and other harmful effects on your body and can increase feelings of wellbeing.
- You'll be directly contributing to the welfare of bats, song birds and many other important species of flora
- You'll be protecting one of this area's most treasured qualities for future generations.

For more information see http://www.breconbeacons.org/about-brecon-beacons-dark-sky-reserve or contact Ruth Coulthard, ruth.coulthard@beacons-npa.gov.uk



Waterfalls guide gets a facelift

This popular guide containing eleven walks in Waterfalls Country has undergone a major facelift. Featuring improved route descriptions, fresh photographs, new maps and a helping hand with choosing a suitable walk. You won't want to set off without it!

The walks pack retails at £4.00 and can be purchased from our on-line shop or National Park Visitor Centres. Businesses can purchase stock at a discounted rate of £2.65 from beverley.powell@beacons-npa.gov.uk .



Upland Conservation Volunteers working on erosion control.

Upland Volunteers wanted!

The Brecon Beacons National Park Authority is currently recruiting volunteers to work within the Park.

The Upland Conservation Volunteers undertake conservation and ecology work within the Black Mountains. The Upland Path Volunteers work within the Black Mountains and Eastern Central Beacons undertaking essential maintenance and repairs of the upland paths. Work days are carried out on Wednesdays for the Upland Conservation Volunteers and Fridays and Saturdays for the Upland Path Volunteers. Full training is provided and volunteers will gain a good understanding of the work required. The work can be difficult and strenuous sometimes in the harsh weather conditions within the Black Mountains, but it can also be extremely satisfying and fun.

Volunteering within the Park is a great way to utilise your skills, learn new skills and offers the chance to meet people with similar interests. The Brecon Beacons National Park is a wonderful environment to work within and the work carried out will help maintain and sustain this landscape for future generations. There are currently nearly 200 volunteers working within the Park. Volunteer Chris Evans said: "Volunteering within the Brecon Beacons National Park is a great way to get active within the outdoors, meet new people and offers a chance to give something back."

For further information on volunteering see https://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/volunteering/

If you would like to volunteer with the Uplands Volunteers please contact - Jason Rees, Project Co-ordinator Jason.Rees@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01876 620484

For other volunteering opportunities with the National Park Authority please contact the Volunteer Development Officer, Ilona Carati Ilona.Carati@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01874 620451

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Success for the Black Mountains Land Use Partnership!

The Black Mountains Land Use Partnership (the Partnership) is a collaborative venture aiming to promote continued improvement, restoration and sustainable management of the natural resources of the Black Mountains, an area covering over 24,600 hectares of upland and lowland habitat.

Established in 2015 through the Welsh Government's Nature Fund, the pioneering partnership comprises representatives from the Black Mountains Graziers Association and major landowners along with public land owning bodies. Last year the partnership was successful in gaining a grant of just over £1 million as part of the Welsh Government Rural Communities-Rural Development Programme 2014-2020, funded by the Welsh Government and the European Union. The award allows the Partnership to implement a series of landscape-scale projects focused on three key themes: bracken, peatland and visitor management.

Bracken Management

Bracken has a negative effect on grazing, stock gathering and access to the countryside. The aim is to treat bracken in a number of key locations twice a year for three years in the project area. Bracken management will begin in May/June of this year.

Peatland Management

The aim of this element of the project is to restore and safeguard peat and exposed mineral soil in several key locations and work has already started. National Park Upland Volunteers, contractors and staff have all been involved in creating new paths, reproofing peat hags and implementing erosion control techniques in remote and often adverse weather conditions.

Visitor Management

The Partnership will employ two rangers, create an ambassador training programme for local tourism operators, organise an 'investing in skills' programme and work with local schools to tell the story of hill-farming in the Black Mountains.

The latter is a key priority for the Partnership which wants the younger generation to understand the way hill farming has shaped the Black Mountains and impacted on the life and culture of area. The National Park Authority Education team will be delivering this training to schools in the Black Mountains catchment area starting in Spring. For more information email education@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 01874 624437.

A series of talks and presentations are being planned within the Black Mountains area for 2018 to inform people further about the project and how they can be involved. If an organisation, group or individual would like to find out more or is interested in hosting a talk, then please contact Project Administrator, Mark Ward on mark.ward@beacons-npa.gov.uk or ring 1874 620456

For further information about the Black Mountains Land Use Partnership visit: www.blackmountains.wales or follow @BMLUP on Twitter

Brecon Beacons National Park Authority Planning Department are All Wales finalists!

The Planning Department at the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority were selected as finalists in the Royal Town Planning Institute Cymru National Awards in Cardiff last November.

The 'Shape My Brecon Beacons' project was selected as one of the best in the country. It focuses on assisting communities within the National Park to write their own Place Plan. It is a project that is designed to encourage residents to partake in the future planning of the locations where they live.

Mel Doel, Chairman of Brecon Beacons National Park Authority said; "We have one of the best planning records in Wales and being selected as a finalist for this award recognises all the hard work being carried out."

Staff at the awards ceremony.



Need a meeting room in Brecon?

We have the following available for hire:

- Conference Room
- · Small Meeting Room
- Members Video Conference Room

Catering available
For details contact
01874 624437 or check
http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/
the-authority/hire-a-room/

Community Marquee Available

The Community Marquee loan scheme offers groups, schools, charities and other nonprofit organisations within the National Park the opportunity to use the 20'x 30' Community Marquee at their local events. A donation is requested.

For booking forms please contact Ceri Bevan on 01874 620471 or ceri.bevan@beacons-npa.gov.uk

Webcasts

All the Authority's meetings are available to view via our webcasts microsite.

To find out more visit:

http://www.beacons-npa.gov.uk/the-authority/webcasting/

Events March – mid September 2018

For an extended list and further details of activities and events in the National Park please visit http://www.breconbeacons.org/events

Saturday I 0th March

Gunpowder Works Volunteer Open Day

Village Hall, Pontneddfechan

Volunteers needed for various projects focusing on ecology, history, building conservation or even becoming a member of our volunteer warden team. Full training provided, all welcome, come along to learn more about how to get involved. I I am -3pm.

Friday I 6th March

Stargazing Night with Dark Sky Wales

National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

With mobile planetarium, presentation by an expert and telescopes and binoculars available. If poor weather, this event will still go ahead with the presentation and mobile planetarium. Please wear warm clothing. 7.00pm start. Tickets are £15 (min.age guide 8+ years) which includes parking, coffee and cake. Tickets available online: http://www.breconbeacons.org/events/8463 or ring 01874 623366.

Tuesday 20th March

Celebrating Good Health, Long Life and Happiness

Brecon Leisure Centre, Penlan, Brecon, LD3 9SR

Free event to encourage 'active ageing'. There will be a wide selection of information stands, demonstrations and taster activities for all to try. Free tea and cake and discounted lunch available. 9.30am - 12.30pm. Ring 01874 624437 for further information.

Saturdays 28th April/2nd June /30th June/1st September

One Day Introduction to Navigation with Manzuku Climbing and Mountaineering National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

9.45am - 4.30pm. Cost: £35 per person. Contact 01874 623366 for further details and booking.



Our Visitor Centre and Country Park are open every day of the year except Christmas Day. Free entry but parking charges apply.

National Park Visitor Centre (Mountain Centre)

Libanus, Nr Brecon LD3 8ER

- Information
- Tea Rooms and restaurant
- Craft shop
- Toilets
- · Room Hire

Tel: 01874 623366 npvc@beacons-npa.gov.uk http://www.breconbeacons.org/ national-park-visitor-centre

Craig-y-nos Country Park

Pen-y-cae, Swansea Valley SA9 1GL

• Changing Seasons Tea Rooms and Restaurant

Tel: 01639 731498

- Disabled toilet with baby changing facility open 24hrs
- Room hire
- Exhibition space
- Craft centre
- Glass studio
- Photography studio and courses

Tel: 01874 624437

enquiries@beacons-npa.gov.uk http://www.breconbeacons.org/ craig-y-nos-country-park-visitorcentre

Saturday 19 May to Sunday 3 June Geofest 2018

Walks and talks across the Forest Fawr Geopark

Wednesday 30th May Geofest Family Activity Day

Craig-y-nos Country Park, Pen-y-cae,

Upper Swansea Valley,SA9 I GL.

10am-4pm. Lots of free, fun activities for the whole family. Parking charges apply.

For more Geofest information

see www.fforestfawrgeopark.org.uk/geofest-2018/ or ring 01874 623366



Ponies on the Black Mountain, in the Geopark.

Saturdays 9th June/7th July/4th August and 15th September

Painting in the Brecon Beacons with Julia Harris

Craig-y-nos Country Park, Pen-y-cae, Upper Swansea Valley, SA9 IGL

9.30 for 10am start until 4pm. £35 per person. £10 extra if require materials.

Workshops using watercolours or acrylic. Suitable for both beginners to those looking to improve. Ring 01874 623366 for further information.

Saturday 23rd June

Solar Gazing Event with Cardiff Astrological Society

National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

Free event. Using specialist equipment come and SAFELY look at our nearest star, close to the date of the summer solstice. Starts at 10.00am.

Scottish Dancing with the South Wales Branch of the Royal Scottish Dance Society

Free event. There will be demonstrations of dances by various teams interspersed with easy dances that everyone can join in. Suitable for children and adults. Starts at 2.00pm. Ring 01874 623366 for further information.

Saturday 28th /Sunday 29th July

Two day Safety on the Hills NNAS Bronze Navigation Award with Manzuku Climbing and Mountaineering

National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

9.45am - 4.30pm. Cost: £115 per person. Contact 01874 623366 for further details and booking.

Wednesdays 1st/8th/15th/22nd /29thAugust

Pottery workshop

National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

Be inspired by the natural environment around you and create your own masterpiece. Suitable for adults and children aged 5 and up. Children under 12 - make sure you bring an adult with you. I 1.00am - 1.00pm. Cost: £6.00 per person. Parking charges also apply. Booking essential. Ring 01874 623366.

Friday I 0th August

Perseid meteor shower with Dark Sky Wales

National Park Visitor Centre, Libanus LD3 8ER

Experts from Dark Sky Wales will help you view one of nature's finest shows with the mobile planetarium. presentation and telescopes and binoculars available. If poor weather, this event will still go ahead with the presentation and mobile planetarium. Please wear warm clothing. 7.00pm start. Tickets are £15 (min.age guide 8+ years) which includes parking, coffee and cake. Tickets available online http://www.breconbeacons.org/events/9026 or ring 01874 623366



Your Authority A-Z

Your helpful guide to contacting the Authority for information or services

Service or Team	Lead Contact/Officer	Contact Details	Telephone N°
General Enquiries National Park Authority Headquarters, Brecon	Reception	enquiries@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 624437
Craig-y-nos Country Park Pen-y-Cae	Reception	enquiries@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 624437
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Ecology	Brad Welch	bradley.welch@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620411
Education, Interpretation and Information	Reception	enquiries@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 624437
Fforest Fawr Geopark	Alan Bowring	alan.bowring@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620415
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	Janet Poole	janet.poole@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620413
Human Resources	Liz Lewis	elizabeth.lewis@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620426
Information Technology	Paul Funnell	paul.funnell@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620459
National Park Visitor Centre 'The Mountain Centre' Libanus	Information Officers	npvc@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 623366
Planning Services Administration	Jane Pashley	planning.enquiries@beacons-npa.gov.uk	01874 620422

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