



FRIENDS OF KINGSBURY WATER PARK

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History of Tamworth Sailing Club Celebrating 60 years in 2014



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Visit the [Tamworth Sailing Club](http://www.TamworthSailingClub.org.uk) website for more details.

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Members may sail either their own or club dinghies during daylight hours on any sailing day throughout the year. For the competitive dinghy sailor there are the regular weekend races, competing for a variety of trophies. For the more relaxed sailor there is social sailing; just for the fun of it, and they also have a thriving junior's club which runs on alternate

Saturdays through Spring and Summer into Autumn.

Whilst the main focus is small boat sailing and racing, there are also 'on shore' social events, ideal for family group participation.

Their annual events include the Dinner Dance in March where the trophies are given out, the Laying Up Supper in November, and the ever popular children's Christmas party.

As a "self help" club all sailing members are assigned to a duty team and about three days per year the team, under the instruction of an Officer of the Day, control the races, provide safety boat cover, and run the galley. Members are also asked to give some time each year to a "work party" to help keep the club and grounds in good order. There are other rewarding opportunities to volunteer and many members choose to do so, including committee members providing governance and development for the club, and our excellent team of dinghy sailing and power boat instructors.

All sailing club members can obtain a pass from the Water Park Office, giving them free access to the Water Park at all times (it is usually £3.50 to get through the barrier). Note that they share the water with the Midland Hydroplane club, taking alternate days

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Forthcoming Events

Fruit trees for orchard

Calendar for 2016—get your seasonal photos of the Park ready.

Friends of Kingsbury Water Park 'Fish n Chip Supper & Quiz Night' - more details to follow on the website or by email.

Recent Events

Who Pollinates Our Plants?

Saturday 16th August was a rather dull and breezy day but nevertheless people turned out in their numbers to Kingsbury Water Park for a day in the countryside. See Page 2 for the Bee Event.

Closure of Footpath between Church & Mill bridges

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984, SECTION 14

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH T29 KINGSBURY

Warwickshire County Council proposes to make a Temporary Traffic Order closing Public Footpath T29 Kingsbury between the Old Kingsbury Road Bridge (aka Mill Bridge at Grid Ref: SP21541, 95687) and the footbridge by Kingsbury Church (aka Church Bridge Grid Ref SP21296,96121) to all traffic.

The closure is required to safely facilitate improvement works to the area.

The Order will commence on 15 September 2014 and will last for a period of 6 months, or until the works are completed, whichever is the earlier

Access to and from properties and land situated adjacent to the length of footpath to be closed, if any, will be maintained where possible

The Contractor dealing with this matter is Tim Haselden for Warwickshire Wildlife Trust (Tel: 07703 192200).

The Council regrets any inconvenience that may be caused. The person dealing with this matter at Warwickshire County Council is Ms Marina Kirchem, Rights of Way Team (Tel: 01926412883).

S Duxbury, Head of Law & Governance, Shire Hall, Warwick, 29 August 2014



Who Pollinates Our Plants?

Things are buzzing at Kingsbury Water Park!

Saturday 16th August was a rather dull and breezy day but nevertheless people turned out in their numbers to Kingsbury Water Park for a day in the countryside. Those who came to the Old Barn Café were surprised and delighted to see a live bee hive on display! Adults and children alike were fascinated by the sight of honey bees in their hive and enjoyed the challenge of spotting the queen bee who was marked with a yellow spot.

Beekeepers Katy and Ian Kapsis and Mark Hunt of the Nuneaton and Atherstone Beekeepers Association were on hand to answer questions. Information sheets were given out with details of plants for your garden that you can use to attract more insects. You can download a list from the [Downloads page on our website](#).

Ranger Rachel and Volunteer Sue of the Friends of Kingsbury Water Park spent the afternoon with families and children making butterfly and bee “peg bugs” with craft materials.

For more information about beekeeping see <http://www.warwickshirebeekeepers.org.uk/nuneaton-atherstone>



We hope to have further events at the Old Barn Café perhaps next summer and would like to thank everyone who supported this event especially Mark, Katy and Ian and Mark Redford of the Old Barn Café where the event took place.

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For a chance to win an annual car pass, please complete a park survey at

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VBZVPZR>

Next Friends Meeting/Party at The Water Park Education Centre on Wednesday, December 3rd 2014 at 7 pm.

Everybody Welcome

The group's aims are –

1. To be the voice of park users. Promoting, lobbying, fundraising, liaising, and negotiating on behalf of park users.
2. To help manage, protect, and improve the park for the benefit of the flora, fauna, visitors, and park users.
3. To promote, assist, and even instigate, activities within the park for the benefit of park users.

Visit our website at -

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Amenities at the Park

- Old Barn Coffee Shop/café
- Information Centre and Gift shop
- Disabled facilities
- Three mobility scooters for hire
- 5.7 km (3½ miles) of permissive bridleway for horse riding. Permit needed.
- Many water activities (e.g. pedalos, sailing, model boating jet biking, power boating and fishing)
- Dogs allowed under control
- 2 children's play areas
- Nature reserve with 4 bird hides
- Echills Wood Railway, 7¼" gauge miniature railway
- Guided walks and events programme
- Ranger led Children's Birthday Parties
- Camp Site managed by The Camping & Caravaning Club (tel. 01827 874101)
- Broomey Croft Children's Farm (tel. 01827 873844)