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Spirit of Community Award



We were delighted to receive an award for our project at West Pilton Park from Clydesdale & Yorkshire Spirit of Community Award. We attended an event in Glasgow to pick up the award. To find out more about the project see <u>here</u>.

Out & About in South Edinburgh



We have a very successful jogging group at Goodtrees, which is making a big difference to the local participants' health. A participant said " *As a result of joining this lovely group I have just completed my first parkrun*". We are now looking to start a new group in the Gracemount area so please get in touch to help us get it off the ground. We have also been busy in the garden at Moredun and have a packed summer programme at Goodtrees and Valley Park Community Centres. To find out about the activities see here.

Craigmillar Family Activities



Refraction Project with Niddrie Mill PS

See here for the latest programme of activities.

Some of the highlights from the recent work at Craigmillar Castle Park have included Access Parkour, a Guided Bird Walk and a Minibeast Hunt. We have also been working with local artist Kenny Bean who has been visiting the local schools on a refraction art project which was funded by the Ernest Cook Trust. As part of the Power of Food Festival there was a photo exhibition at Bridgend Farmhouse showing the children's work.

Community Garden Development

Calton Hill



Slateford Green



We have been making great progress at the community garden on Calton Hill with the MECCOP group who are hoping to have an official launch in September. The garden has taken a great deal of work over the past two years but will be enjoyed by all the participants and visitors to the site.

The garden at Slateford Green has been making significant progress. The group are keen to get more volunteers along who meet every Tuesday (1pm to 3pm) & Friday (9am to 12pm). On the 3rd Tuesday for the next 3 months they will be cooking produce from the garden.

To keep up to date see our facebook

Seaview Garden Volunteers



Thanks to the volunteers from Ventient Energy we were able to make a big difference to the garden at Seaview Childrens Unit who provide residential and respite care for children.

Specifi Supports Green in Scotland

A recent Edinburgh Landscape event provided the opportunity for Specifi to support ELGT to aid the great work we are doing for the good of green infrastructure in Edinburgh and Lothians.

The speaker for the event was Joe Clancy, a landscape architect, horticulturist and biophilic design consultant, whose talk focused on Biophilia (meaning love of nature) which focuses on human's innate attraction to nature and natural processes. Joe has recently settled in the area and was keen for Specifi to make a donation to ELGT in recognition for the great talk he gave to the captivated Edinburgh audience.

Specifi will be returning to Scotland for the following Built Environment roadshow events in 2018 as follows: Glasgow Landscape - 4th September & Edinburgh Design - 5th September. Follow the link to find out more

Upcoming Events

South Edinburgh Out & About Activities

- Jogging Group meet at Goodtrees Neighbourhood Centre on Fridays from 9am. Friendly and sociable with health and fitness tips.
- Allotment & Gardening Workshops at Goodtrees Neighbourhood Centre, Mondays from 12.30pm. Join us each week for FREE lunch as a thank you for taking part.
- Herb Walk in Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park on Saturday 14th July from 10am. Meet at Valley Park Community Centre.

For more info on the latest events and activities see Out & About facebook page.

Craigmillar Castle Park Events

- Think Circus, Saturday 30th June, 1pm to 3pm. Free workshop on a variety of circus skills including hula hoop, juggling, plate spinning and diablo.
- Fork In The Road, Friday 13th July, 1.30pm to 3pm. Mo Odling from the Edinburgh Tool Library will be bringing her unique bike kitchen to the park for an outdoor cooking workshop. Booking required.
- Falconry Exhibition, Sunday 22nd July, 2pm to 4pm. Elite Falconry's famous display team will be bringing along a selection of birds of prey.
- Nature Detectives, Friday 27th July, 2pm to 3.30pm. Finding out about the local wildlife.

For more info email <u>ben@elgt.org.uk</u>. For more info on the latest events and activities see Craigmillar Castle Park <u>facebook</u> page.

Other Events

• Owl Magic in Hailes Quarry Park on Saturday 25th July from 2pm to 4pm. To book email abby@elgt.org.uk

For more details on any of our events, please visit <u>www.elgt.org.uk</u> or contact the office (<u>info@elgt.org.uk</u>; 0131 445 4025)

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