

SUSTAINABLE·WARWICK·NEWSLETTER

December 2018

Warwick News

17 SDGs of Christmas

We are promoting the UN Sustainable Development Goals in the lead up to Christmas encouraging people to have a sustainable Christmas. Keep a look out on our Facebook ([@SustainabilityatWarwick](#)), Instagram ([Warwick_Uni_Sustainability](#)) and Twitter ([@WarwickUniSust](#)) channels.



Please do remember to switch off as much as possible before heading home for Christmas at the end of term.

One Big Thing

Warwick Sports One Big Thing took place on Wednesday 31st October and was considered a great success with:

- 61 cyclists commuting to work covering a total of 630 miles in one day;
- 70,000 steps being taken as part of the mountain step challenge with 120 people taking part; and total engagement of 443 people.

Sustainable beers in Conferences

Warwick Conferences have sold Warwickshire [Purity](#) beer for a while now, who are heralded on a national and international level as a sustainable brewery in their practices. Conferences have just enhanced their sustainable beer offering by adding Brewgooder and Toast Ale.

[Brewgooder](#) work with BrewDog, who brew beer at zero margin, and have now raised enough money to begin brewing their first cans of Clean Water Lager. Their mission is simple – to provide clean water for 1,000,000 people through the power of craft beer by donating 100% of their profits to clean water charities.

[Toast Ale](#) use fresh surplus bread to produce beer with 100% of profits going to charity [Feedback](#) to help end food waste.

TOAST
BREWED WITH BREAD



You will also be able to enjoy a host of local beers at Real Ale, Cider and Perry Society's Beer Festival in February.

News from further afield

How to save money and use less energy – ofgem

We all have a good idea of the things we can do to save money by using less energy but do you know how to switch tariff or supplier? Read [ofgem's guidance](#), which also includes information on smart meters, energy grants and support available to keep costs down.



Institutions to embed sustainability within teaching

EAUC-Scotland are running a new project to support institutions to embed sustainability within teaching courses, and we need your help!

Starting with four initial subject areas - economics, fine art, psychology and computer science - the project will consider the opportunities for sustainability ideas to be embedded into the teaching of core concepts or discussions around the impacts of the subject area on the world.

If you would like to be involved people follow this link:

http://www.eauc.org.uk/embedding_sustainability_in_teaching_courses

Events

24 Hours of Reality

Climate Reality Campus Corp are hosting a [24 hours of reality watch party](#) on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th December. Join them on the Piazza during the day to watch as Al Gore, a number of celebs and teams across the world bring you an update of how climate change is affecting their regions and what actions everyone can take to tackle this issue. The UK hour is at 7pm GMT and Climate Reality will be in Oculus OC0.01 from 6:30pm until 9pm to enjoy this in the warmth.

If you are unable to make it to the Piazza you can watch it live from your devices.

<https://www.24hoursofreality.org/>



What can we do about climate change?

On Friday December 7th Global Sustainable Development is hosting a event called - What can we do about climate change?

This will be at 10:00-12:00 in Lecture Room MS01, Zeeman Building, Warwick University please sign up here: www.warwick.ac.uk/climatechange/event

Bike Sale

Still looking for a bike to travel to or around campus? Grab a bargain on 5th December at the Bike Sale on the Piazza from late morning! <http://www.recycleyourcycle.org.uk/>



Always Something For You

We shall be joining the SU "Always Something For You" Fair on 15th January 10.30am to 6pm, for all first year Undergraduates and Postgraduate students.

The fair will take place at SU Atrium and Copper Rooms 1,

The fair will include information stands from the Students' Union and the University:

- Information about Sports Clubs and Societies
- Tasty samples from the SU's Food Outlets
- Chances to take part in instant-win competitions
- Help and Advice from the SU Advice Centre on a wide range of issues including housing, support with finances and health & wellbeing
- Information about how to get involved in the latest SU Campaigns



Institute for Sustainable Futures Green Christmas Lecture



"Knowledge and a Transforming World"

Professor Ioan Fazey

Thursday 6th December
6pm-7pm

Salvin Room, Keele Hall

Book your free ticket at:

<https://tinyurl.com/GreenChristmasLecture2018>

Mulled wine and mince pies from 5.30pm

Opportunities

British Heart Foundation

The British Heart Foundation shop in Warwick needs help! This little shop helps turn unwanted items into thousands of pounds to fund life-saving medical research, but they need fresh enthusiasm and energy to keep up the good work. Whether you are looking for a one-off group volunteering opportunity, a couple of hours a month or a regular weekly commitment, they need you!

Opportunities include:

- Department Volunteer – sorting out and displaying donations in a particular department, tracking your department's sales and seeing the difference you are making.
- Online Listings Volunteer – Researching unusual and collectable items and packing into eBay boxes.
- Play Shop – Come and man our till, be the friendly face of our shop, get to know our regular customers and watch the life-saving funds add up.
- Behind the Scenes (Group Volunteering Opportunity) – picking collectables and designer items, helping to size and code clothes, removing unsold stock, or displaying fresh items.

Reasonable travel costs are covered and they also offer a 25% discount.

To get involved contact Martha or Sam on 01926 497279 or email w05@bhf.org.uk.

BHF shops in Leamington Spa and Coventry are also looking for volunteers, visit their website to find out more about opportunities in alternative locations.

Hubbub Jobs

Hubbub is on the hunt for a Project Lead, deadline for applications is 5th December.

<https://www.hubbub.org.uk/job-opportunities>

Green Stories

Southampton University are seeking writers for a number of competitions that they are running to inspire greener behaviours so as to raise awareness and move the fictional narrative away from catastrophe. They ask writers to check out potentially transformative solutions on their website

<http://www.greenstories.org.uk/> and integrate them into their story.

Competitions include:

- playwriting competition (deadline June 2019),
- radio play/series competition (deadline July 2019),
- novel competition (deadline August 2019)
- and other formats (film tv etc.).

All are free to enter and have prizes. They are also running a writers workshop on 19th/20th January 2019 to generate ideas – see <https://store.southampton.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/southampton-business-school/events/writing-for-sustainability-workshop>

Ethical Living Guide update – Can you help?

Our NEW Ethical Living Guide was updated by one of our student interns over the summer. It is very close to being finished but we need a little bit more help with research and finishing it off. If you are interested, please contact us to find out more: sustainability@warwick.ac.uk