



Shenley Park August 2022 Newsletter

Once a private Estate known as Porters Park, then a site of a Mental Hospital, Shenley Park is now a unique self-funded Park for all. The Park is steeped in history and hosts an Orchard, Meadow, Woodland walks, Historic buildings and an amazing 2 acre landscaped Walled Garden with an Amphitheatre. The Park is open all year round and is free to use as are the car parks. Events are held throughout the year; it is a perfect base for walks and has a Tea Room that is open daily from 8am.

Walled Garden

The Garden is like most parts of the country desperate for rain. We do have a large underground rainwater tank that was installed by the hospital during the war so we can selectively water newly planted areas.

During July and August the Walled Garden will stay open until 5pm at weekends.

At weekends a member of staff will be available to take card payments at the Walled Garden Produce stall. Throughout the year this stall sells apple juice, plants and seasonal fruit when available.

Chilli plants are now on sale!

We have 20 or so varieties of chilli and peppers ready - come and visit the stall in the Walled Garden.

*The Garden is sometimes closed for functions, check our website for closure dates.

We are pleased to say that our box is recovering, our methods of hand picking the caterpillars and spraying nematodes seem to have had an effect.



Whats happening in the Park

Apples are ripening, albeit smaller than they might be with a good soaking of rain. The next few weeks of heat are not ideal but we do start picking soon.

There are signs up around the orchard asking people not to pick the fruit. We sell fruit directly from our produce stall in the Walled Garden, on Apple Day (Sun 16th Oct) and make apple juice which we also sell.

We will hopefully be holding some apple picking days where families are invited to help us pick in exchange for a bag of apples to take home. Notice of these dates will be posted around the orchard so keep visiting the park to see them.



The long grass in the orchard and meadow will be cut from Sept onwards.

The apples are picked when they are ready, there will be drop from the trees especially with this excessively dry hot weather.

Any apples that are left on the trees and floor will be a gift for the wildlife.

Outdoor exercise classes



Hatha Yoga
@Shenley Walled Garden

Hatha Yoga for all abilities. In the beautiful walled garden. Revitalise your body & mind. Breathe, Stretch, Strengthen.

Saturdays @8am 1 hour
Shenley Walled Garden
£8 to drop in, bring a mat
weather dependant



Mary McLellan Yoga

www.marymclellanyoga.com



Saturday 6th August, 7pm

War of the Worlds by The Pantaloons

Open Air Theatre and Concerts this summer

Tickets are on sale now.

Also available by cash or card on the day.

Visit our web page for FAQs

Visit our website to book for our summer shows

www.shenleypark.co.uk/events



Saturday 20th August, 3pm

The Reluctant Dragon by Quantum Theatre



Events

Sat 6th August - War of the Worlds

Sat 20th August - The Reluctant Dragon

Sun 16th October - Apple Day

Sat 7th January 2023 - Wassailing

Tennis Courts

The tennis court situation is ongoing, the subsidence in the corners of the area is very costly to fix. We are hoping to install at least one court back into Shenley Park and are awaiting news of a funding application, as of this month we are still awaiting news.

We will keep you updated here in our newsletters and on our website.

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