



Some reminders of the amazing things on offer this month and next. Bring family and friends and join us as we welcome in the spring.

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There is a lot going on this spring

**Whether you fancy:
a food tasting event
a walk on the wild side
want to learn more about climate education
or what the British Film Institute has found in their "Sustainable Hampshire"
archive
Read on for details.**



Alton Sustainable Eating

Healthy Food, Healthy Planet



At our next Sustainable Eating event we will be offering a completely plant-based high tea with delicious sandwiches and home made cakes to tickle your fancies.

This will be the second of our 3 food tasting events where we will be debunking some of the many myths surrounding plant-based diets.

We will show a short film and follow it with fun, facts and a delicious high tea to set us all straight.

Don't miss Dee's scrumptious sandwiches, Alec's fabulous flapjacks and James's cracking cup cakes.

Please let us know if you are coming so we have an idea how much food to prepare.

Register by email to altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com



Alton Sustainable Eating
Healthy Food Healthy Planet

Truth, Lies & Fairytales

Plant-based foods don't fill you up?
Plant-based foods are boring!
Plant-based food leaves you tired & weak.

**Join us to sort fact from fiction
at our food tasting**

7:30-9pm on Thu 21st Mar

Alton Community Centre, GU34 1HN

Register at
altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com



At our third sustainable eating event we will be focussing on practical tips and recipes for cheap, tasty and nutritious plant-based meals.

Join us at 7:30-9pm on Thu 18th Apr
Alton Community Centre, GU34 1HN

Register via email altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com



Alton Sustainable Eating
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Making it work

Plant-based cooking is too difficult!
You need all sorts of weird ingredients.
You can't eat out.

**Join us for tips and practical advice
and an all important food tasting**

7:30-9pm on Thu 18th April

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Eco-Streets Free Walks

The River Wey

Sun Mar 17th 12pm meet at the bridge across the river in the new CALA estate

for a shore ramble along the Alton stretch of the River Wey. We will walk up to Flood Meadows. On the way, we will examine the restoration work in the urban stretch of the river and learn more about chalk streams – one of the rarest habitats on the planet, which we are lucky enough to have on our doorstep!

Woodland Ecology

Sat Mar 23rd 2pm meet at Alton Cricket Club, Northfield Lane, GU34 1SN

Eco Streets project consultant and trained ecologist Scott will talk about some of the most common animals and plants we are likely to encounter in the fields and forests around Alton. From the tiniest lichen to the hugest trees, you'll learn fascinating facts that will help you connect to the nature around you.

The walk takes 90 mins at a slow pace and is suitable for adults and children.

Myths & Fairytales

Sun Mar 24th 2pm meet at Alton Cricket Club, Northfield Lane, GU34 1SN

Did you know that it's dangerous to walk through the bluebell woods because you could easily be snatched by the fairies? Or that pieces of beech wood were thought to bring good fortune to the wearer? Dive with us into the Celtic mythology behind common plants and animals of the British Isles and stock up on stories you can tell your children! Through learning what an important part nature played in the lives of our ancestors, we can let ourselves be inspired to seek that deeper connection to nature and welcome her power back into our lives.

The walk takes 90 mins at a slow pace and is suitable for ages 15+.

This walk is repeated on Sat 6th Apr 4-5:30pm

Local Wildlife

Sun Mar 31st 2pm meet at Alton Cricket Club, Northfield Lane, GU34 1SN

From the conspicuous squirrels and deer to the elusive harvest mice and adders, Alton and the surrounding area has a lot to offer when it comes to wildlife. This walk will take participants through the woods and hills where we will hopefully catch some glimpses of the diverse wildlife. Trained environmental scientist Scott will talk about the lives of some of the most common species, fostering a sense of the importance of a diverse ecosystem and explaining the threats and what we can do to protect it.

The walk takes 90 mins at a slow pace and is suitable for adults and children.

Local Bats

Sun Apr 7th 12pm meet at Alton Cricket Club, Northfield Lane, GU34 1SN

Find out about the various species of bats in the many green spaces in Alton – and in our gardens too. Feel more connected to nature and appreciate its importance in our lives.

The walk takes 90 mins at a slow pace and is suitable for adults and children

Poetry Workshop

Sun Apr 7th 4pm meet at Alton Cricket Club, Northfield Lane, GU34 1SN

This walk takes a small group of people out into nature. Before the walk, environmental scientist and educator Scott Gudrich, who is also an artist, will give some easy to follow input regarding the local ecosystem as well as guidance on the writing of a poem. After a silent, contemplative walk of approximately 20 minutes, the group will settle down somewhere and Scott will take them through some guided contemplation and present an easy to follow outline to get everyone writing poetry based on their sensory and emotional experiences in nature.

This walk is suitable for ages 14+ and takes approximately 90 minutes, participants should bring a pen and paper/a notebook.

Climate Education

Film Screening & Panel Discussion



26 3:30pm
March
Alton College

Join young people and
educators discussing the future
of climate education

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**TO SIGN UP FOR THIS
FREE EVENT, PLEASE
SCAN THE QR CODE.**



Tue 26 March – Alton College (Martin Read Hall)

- 3.30pm – Arrival and Refreshments
- 4.00pm – Welcome
- 4.15pm – Film Screening
- 4.30pm – Panel Discussion
- 5.30pm – Close

The Ministry of Eco Education & Young ACAN welcome anyone interested in climate education to attend.

Please click here to sign up for free tickets – <https://buytickets.at/ministryofecoeducation/1156322>

You are invited to a workshop

at Alton Library on Mon 25th Mar 11am - 1pm.



Drinks and refreshments will be provided.

The British Film Institute have made much of their digital archive available to replay, free of charge, exclusively to UK public lending libraries.

From iconic TV moments to rarities, unseen for decades, BFI Replay contains thousands of digitised videos from the BFI National Archive and partner UK regions and nations film archives. To support the platform, a series of activity packs have been developed, which guide users through some of the collection highlights and encourage debate around particular themes.

The BFI would like to understand how users engage with these packs with a view to enhancing these resources and ensuring that they are presented in a format that will encourage audience engagement.

ACAN has been invited to bring up to 20 people to a free pilot workshop hosted by the BFI, during which they will run through an activity from their:

‘Our Changing World’ activity pack, which explores the history of environmental sustainability in Hampshire.

This will be followed by a discussion on the activity, with a particular focus on how it could be developed to encourage further use.

So far 6 ACAN members have signed up for this event, we could take 14 more so if you are interested please get in touch on altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com
