

## CELT

### **November NEWSLETTER & Provisional COURSE Dates 2007**

At our recent CELT A.G.M., Members heard about a successful year of events and activities including:

- 3 Big "In the Woods" Events at Bealkelly
- UL Training day for Occupational therapy students,
- an Aer Rianta Eco Family Day at Bealkelly,
- an Open day (Heritage week)
- Also, DEMO's at Bemullet, Athlone, Tramore, Fingal, Killaloe etc. and Seedsavers training days eg. Wallbuilding (with Bob W.) and Hedgerows (with Ted Cooke)

Existing directors were re-appointed with an addition of Dave Lowson who takes over as Treasurer. New Chairman is Saul Mosbacher and Company Secretary is Bob Wilson.

Next CELT Meeting is on Wednesday 6 December, 8pm at Ryans, Scariff.

CELT Christmas PARTY is on Friday 22 December, 4pm onwards, Bealkelly Woods, nr. Tuamgraney.

### **CELT Provisional COURSE Programme 2007**

**Jan 20 / 21**

*CELT Footpath construction course at Seedsavers*

**Feb 3 / 4**

*CELT Footpath construction course at Seedsavers*

**Feb 10 and Feb 24**

*CELT Hedgerow maintenance courses at Seedsavers*

How to maintain a healthy hedgerow with high biodiversity and an effective stock-proof boundary.

Introduction to hedge-laying for closing gaps and careful management of hedgerow trees and ivy to maintain structure and habitats.

**March 3 / 4**

*CELT 'Woodlands - Survey and Assessment' course at Tuamgraney Community Woodland*

Identification of species, measurement of distribution, mapping of the site, assessment of suitable areas for open glades, footpaths, water features, assessment of materials required for structural work.

Tutors : Andrew St.Ledger / Bob Wilson

**March 10 / 11**

*CELT 'Native Woodlands - Design and Management' at Seedsavers*

Site survey, species identification, options for design, helps and constraints to management. Native trees and shrubs - growing requirements and growth patterns. Planting layout.

Tutors : Ted Cook / Bob Wilson

**Mar 24 /25**

*CELT Dry-stone and Lime Mortar Walling course at Seedsavers*

Techniques for construction of a strong dry-stone wall and stone-work garden features, plus use of lime mortar for a solid boundary or house wall. Will include work on base of a roundhouse.

Tutors : Richard O'Gorman / Bob Wilson

**Mar 31 / Apr 1**

*CELT 'Management Planning for Native Woodland' at Tuamgraney Commtty Woodland*

Management options and how to draw up a plan for management of a woodland with emphasis on native trees for the benefit of native wildlife, but allowing for educational access, skills training opportunities, public amenity and economic sustainability.

Tutor : Bob Wilson

**Apr 7 / 8**

*CELT 'Construction of footpaths, boardwalks, fences' at Tuamgraney Commtty Woodland*

Various techniques of construction for access paths, steps, boardwalks, post and rail fencing, deer fencing.

Tutors : Saul Mosbacher / Richard O'Gorman

**Apr 14 / 15**

*CELT Dry-stone and Lime Mortar Walling course at Seedsavers*

Techniques for construction of a strong dry-stone wall and stone-work garden features, plus use of lime mortar for a solid boundary or house wall. Will include work on base of a roundhouse.

Tutors : Richard O'Gorman / Bob Wilson

**Apr 21**

*CELT 'Woodlands / Wetlands - Flora and fauna identification' at Seedsavers*

Use of identification keys and books to check out all the flora and fauna of the woodlands, hedgerows, wetlands.

Tutor : Bob Wilson

**Apr 28 / 29**

*CELT 'Construction of footpaths, boardwalks, fences' at Tuamgraney Commty Woodland*

Various techniques of construction for access paths, steps, boardwalks, post and rail fencing, deer fencing.

Tutors : Saul Mosbacher / Richard O'Gorman

**May 5 / 6*****WEEKEND IN THE WOODS, Bealkelly***

Choice from 16 different training courses in ecology / traditional skills. See website for details / on-line booking.

**May 19 / 20**

*CELT 'Native Trees and Shrubs - Identification and timber uses, + intro to Coppice crafts' at Seedsavers*

How to identify all the species of native trees and shrubs. Suggested uses for the timber. Introduction to coppicing and Coppice crafts.

Tutors : Stuart McIntyre / Bob Wilson.

**May 26**

*CELT 'Woodlands / Wetlands - Flora and fauna identification' at Seedsavers*

Use of identification keys and books to check out all the flora and fauna of the woodlands, hedgerows, wetlands.

Tutor : Bob Wilson

**June 2 / 3**

*CELT 'Pond design and construction' at Tuamgraney Community Woodland*

Examining flow of water through the site and how to harness it to create ponds. Design and construction of ponds for maximum biodiversity with access for 'dipping' and other educational activity.

Tutors : Bob Wilson / Richard O'Gorman

**June 16 /17**

*CELT 'Construction of timber benches and thatched shelters' at Tuamgraney Commty Woodland*

Use of locally sourced timber to build benches and shelters with thatched roofs.

Tutors : Saul Mosbacher / Harry Bartelink

**July 6 / 7 / 8**

***Feile Brian Boru, Killaloe*** - CELT skills demos & Workshops

See website for details.

**July 28 / 29 / 30**

***SUMMER IN THE WOODS, Bealkelly***

Choice from 16 different training courses in ecology / traditional skills. See website for details / on-line booking.

**Aug 30**

***ISSA / CELT Heritage Day at Seedsavers***

See website for details.

**Sept 8 / 9**

*CELT 'Tree Nursery establishment' at Tuamgraney*

See website for details.

**Sept 15 / 16**

*CELT 'Establishing a Community Woodland' at Tuamgraney Commtly Woodland*

See website for details.

**Sept 29 / 30**

***WEEKEND IN THE WOODS, Bealkelly***

Choice from 16 different training courses in ecology / traditional skills. See website for details / on-line booking.

**Oct 14**

*CELT 'Hedgerows - Ecology / History / Maintenance' at Seedsavers*

Our rich hedgerow heritage - how it developed, native trees, shrubs, wildflowers - how to maintain and protect it.

Tutor : Ted Cook

**Oct 20 / 21**

*CELT 'Establishing a Community Woodland' at Tuamgraney Commtly Woodland*

See website for details.

Hope to see you all there!

Regards

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