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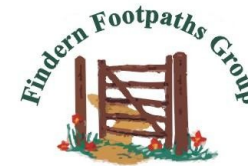
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- Derbyshire Police Safer Neighbourhood Team
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- Clare Orme, Findern Parish Clerk

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Summer walk in Stanhope Wood.

Pictured here : Making bird boxes at our Fun On the Green event, October 2011



ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR INCLUDE:

- An enlarged programme of community walks, including a Dawn Chorus Walk, The Crow Park Way Walk, Findern Historical Walk, Findern Frolic Walk, and Santa Stroll.
- Promotional exhibition to promote biodiversity at Findern Village Fete, Mercia Marina Open Day, Findern Church Christmas Tree Festival and The Big Lunch.
- Two half term events for families. At our Fun on the Green events the children make bird boxes and other activities to promote biodiversity.
- A programme of practical workshops on our wildlife sites with Derby Moor School children.
- Attendance at South Derbyshire Environmental Forum and Derbyshire Biodiversity Forum.
- Bird box making with British Waterways and their installation on our wildlife sites.
- Further development of our wildlife database which is shared with other organisations and voluntary groups.
- We helped to plan this year's programme of events for the South Derbyshire Environmental Forum and this year's National Forest Walking Festival.
- Regular workshops to maintain our sites including the removal of invasive species, seat painting and litterpick events.
- Assisting members of the public with the planting of commemorative trees.
- Maintenance of our 7 miles of public rights of way.