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Your Planet Needs You!

- Handy hints of the month
- Events hosted by the Angus Archives
- News from Other Church Committees about their Eco events

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Your Planet Needs You



Over the coming months the Green Team will be posting a number of editions of the Green Team Eco Newsletter on the teams pages on the East & Old Church website at <http://www.thebigkirk.co.uk/>

These articles are aimed at helping to promote the use of Green Eco-Friendly measures that will help you save money as well as save &/or enhance your natural environment.

Today the hints are all based on how to recycle at Christmas:

1. **On the First day of Christmas: buy recycled Christmas paper**
2. **On the Second day of Christmas: give a charity a hand - buy charity Christmas cards**
3. **On the Third day of Christmas: save the trees and send email cards via the computer to all of those tech savvy friends.**

On the Twelve Days of Christmas—Keep the Planet Green

4. **On the Fourth day of Christmas: have a Christmas clear out before all the new presents arrive—clothes and toys can be recycled via the charity shops .**
5. **On the Fifth day of Christmas: alternatively give last years now abandoned toys to a toy appeal for needy children.**
6. **On the Sixth day of Christmas: have a great atmospheric Christmas Eve—save on power and light your way by candle-light.**
7. **On the Seventh day of Christmas: God Bless You Every One.**
8. **On the Eighth day of Christmas: recycle your Christmas paper after unwrapping your presents on Christmas morning.**
9. **On the Ninth day of Christmas: left over Christmas food can be used to create great sandwiches or casseroles on Boxing Day.**
10. **On the Tenth day of Christmas: recycle the food that cannot be converted into other meals via your brown bin.**
11. **On the Eleventh day of Christmas: if you had a real tree this Christmas — recycle it via your compost heap or via your local recycle centre.**
12. **On the Twelfth day of Christmas: recycle your Christmas cards via your recycle bin when the Christmas season ends.**

Visit to Angus Archives

The East and Old Church organized two events at Angus Archives on the evening of the 25th October and two sessions during the day on the 27th October.

The Archives had arranged a display of items relating to both the church and Forfar in 1791 to celebrate the original opening of the church 225 years ago.

Amongst the gems on show were the 1668 land grant for the building of the original church as well as the 1778-1793 Forfar Town

Council minutes which documented the building of the church, the wall being built around the graveyard and a dispute over the seats inside the church for the Forfar Councillors.

Colourful plans showing the exterior and interior of the church in 1898 were also on show alongside items relating to the Strang Bell, graveyard, and the building of the church as well as the ministers, choir and Sunday School children from the late 1800s.

The Museum Service also

provided a number of communion tokens, collection ladle and a bell from 1707 which may have been bought to herald in the Act of Union when Scotland became part of the United Kingdom.

Christmas Tree Competition

This year the East & Old Christmas Tree Competition will be held on Friday 9th December and the theme this year will be the Nativity.

Come on everybody get your thinking caps on—how would you decorate a tree to illustrate the Nativity?



Merry Christmas from the Green Team

The Green Team wish all of you a very merry Christmas.

We also wish to thank you all for your assistance with the litter pick ups throughout this past year.

**Merry Christmas
from the Green
Team**

**May all your
Christmas dreams
come true**

