

Routeways to Employment

Routeways to Employment for Disabled People (Liverpool and Knowsley) continues to perform well. The project has recruited 288 people from Liverpool.

Thanks to Routeways participant Paul Henwood and Work Based Learning and Employment Manager Christian Adeniran who were recently interviewed on Radio Merseyside about the issues that disabled people have when looking for employment. Hear the interview at <http://www.greenbankemployment.org.uk/index.php/radio-merseyside-interview>

To find out more about the Routeways Project contact Lisa / Shirley - routeways@greenbank-project.org.uk

Welfare Rights Advice

Greenbank offers welfare rights sessions in partnership with Merseyside Welfare Rights at Greenbank College and community locations - ask for details.

Employer's Forum

Routeways To Employment Employers' Forum is free to join and offers a number of services for members including:

- Free disability awareness training advice around issues of employment for disabled people
- An opportunity to network with other employers and share good practice
- Specialist discussion and access to experts about subjects selected by members
- E-newsletter and links to appropriate contacts

The last Employers' Forum meeting was held on Thursday 29 April 2010. The theme of the meeting was 'Fairer recruitment for disabled people' and included a quiz, speakers from Aintree Hospital NHS Trust, Liverpool FC and Criminal Records Bureau and a video presentation featuring Routeways participants Donna Phelan and Anthony Drewitt and Job Coach Trevor Wright. These can be viewed at <http://www.greenbankemployment.org.uk/index.php/routeways/employers/employers-forum>

Working at Greenbank

Greenbank College and Sports Academy job vacancies are now advertised at greenbankemployment.org.uk. Check regularly for updates.

Future Jobs Fund (FJF)

Greenbank's Future Jobs Fund (FJF) has now created jobs for approximately 188 new staff. Two people (Deborah Cook and William Bennett) have now moved into full time employment having completed their 26 week placements.

FJF staff are currently working with a range of partners including Irish Community on Merseyside, Love & Light, Fittings and Liverpool Life.

Welcome to the following staff now on FJF placement at Greenbank:

Daniel Quinn (Groundsperson), Mathew Khader (Librarian), Wilma Mwanza (Catering / Admin Assistant), Sean Keatley (Front of House Assistant) and Linda Buchanan (Archivist).

Greenbank FJF opportunities are promoted at greenbankemployment.org.uk and through Jobcentre Plus.

FJF offers organisations an employee at no cost for 26 weeks. Greenbank's FJF contract ends on 31 March 2011.

Contact FJF Department if you know of any employers that may benefit from FJF **0151 291 9565**.



Diary

- **Catering Training Evening** - Thursday 1 July 2010 (5 - 9pm)
- **Open Day** - 14 July 2010
- **End of term** - Friday 16 July 2010
- **Enrolment week** - 31 Aug to 3 Sept 2010
- **Start of term** - 6 September 2010

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Enrol now for September start

Greenbank College has just finalised its course offer for courses starting in September.

There are an exciting range of subjects to choose from, including those offered by a new department – Hairdressing, which will be operational from September. This will offer City and Guilds Level 1 NVQ Certificate in Hairdressing and Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing.

Other subject areas remain the same; Business and Administration, Catering, English, IT, Fashion and Textiles, Maths and Sport.

The new course guide detailing all Greenbank College courses on offer 2010/11 will be available to download from greenbankcollege.org.uk from 14 June and as a printed copy from 21 June.

Thanks to all the students featured in the guide for their help and co-operation. Thanks also to Future Jobs Fund participant Laura Staniford for photography and Finch for design work.

To guarantee places current students wanting to re-register for 10/11 academic year need to do so as soon as possible.

• Current 16 to 18 year old students who would like to return in September should register immediately and no later than 16 July`

• Current students aged 19 and above should register from 21 June onwards and no later than 16 July.

Places are also available for new students, who can apply at any time. Contact Guidance - 0151 733 7255 / greenbankiag@greenbank-project.org.uk for more details.



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Open Day 14 July

Greenbank College's next Open Day will take place 10am to 12 noon and 2 to 6pm on Wednesday 14 July.

The Open Day gives an opportunity for visitors to:

- Find out about free careers advice for adults who want help in finding learning and work.
- Book an appointment with a qualified Guidance Officer for help and advice about what to do next.
- Have a look around to find out about the courses on offer at Greenbank College including Business and Administration, Catering, Fashion and Textiles,

Hairdressing, Information Technology, English, Maths, IELTS and Sport.

There are also a number of activity sessions happening on the day including:

- UK Online Myguide** - 10am-12pm & 2-4pm
- Interactive Media display** - 10am-12pm
- Resistance, Cardio and Stretch** - 11am-12pm
- Fashion & Textiles Exhibition** - 10am-7.30pm
- Design a Costume or Textile** - 2-3pm

All welcome!

Students' Union News

Greenbank College's Students' Union meets regularly to plan events and activities including:

Blackpool Trip

Congratulations to the students involved in fundraising for and organising a successful trip to Blackpool. Approximately 40 students (and several staff) had a fantastic day – and the sun shone!



End of Term

Greenbank College's Student of the Year Awards will take place from 12.30pm on Friday 16 July in the Rathbone Room. This will be followed by a buffet, raffle and disco at Time out (GSA Restaurant) organised by the College Students' Union.

Admission to the restaurant is by ticket only. Tickets priced at £2 are available from 28 June from Stephanie Willis or College Reception. College students and staff only please. Relatives of the Student Award winners are also welcome (by invitation).

Thanks to everyone for a successful and enjoyable academic year.

Raffle Prizes wanted

Do you have an item to donate for the end of term raffle? Contact Kurtis if you can help.

Table sale - Thursday 1 July

In the library between 12-1pm. Contact Kurtis if you have any items that you are willing to donate.

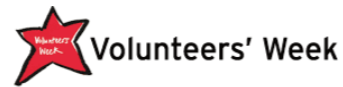
F&T Exhibition

Students from the Fashion and Textiles Department will display their work in F23 and F6/7 from Wednesday 14 (10am - 7.30pm), Thursday 15 July (10am - 12pm / 2 - 4pm) and Friday 16 July (10am - 12pm).

Drop in to congratulate the students on the fabulous work produced this academic year. Contact Colette / Ildi for more information.



Volunteers Week



Greenbank relies on the help and support of volunteers to offer the range of education and training and sport and recreation services currently available.

Volunteer's Week is a national campaign to highlight the important role that volunteering plays to many organisations, which this year took place from 1 to 7 June.

To thank its volunteers and mark the week Greenbank invited those who helped and supported the organisation on a voluntary basis for a meal. This took place on Thursday 10 June (linking in with the student catering evening) at Time Out, Greenbank Sports Academy Restaurant.

Student Catering Evening

Students, staff, families and the local community are asked to support Greenbank College catering department's 'Student Catering Evenings'.

The next event will take place on Thursday 1 July at Time Out (Greenbank Sports Academy Restaurant).

An excellent 2 course meal for just £7.50 or 3 courses for £9.50.

All welcome.



Myguide training

Would you like to know more about what benefits computers can offer and how you can save time by accessing services? Want to find out more? Greenbank College is offering Myguide training on a drop in basis on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday from 9am until 12 noon (this will be extended to 9am until 12 noon on Mondays). Sessions are for adults and are free to attend. Contact Guidance to find out more.



Fundraising

Thanks to the following organisations for supporting Greenbank recently:

Sf group – purchase of a hoist and sling for Greenbank College and part funding for a hoist and 2 slings for Greenbank Sports Academy (also funded by Tesco CT)

Action Earth - £50 for the purchase of seeds / compost / containers for a sunflower growing competition

Myguide – £14495 to fund myguide online basics, services and jobs courses until May 2011 (equipment and running costs)

West Derby Wastelands - £2000

Jaguar Land Rover - volunteers who decorated a College classroom and Academy conference room.



Shop and raise funds

If you shop online you may be able help Greenbank to raise vital funds (at no cost to you). Go to easyfundraising.org.uk, create an account and select Greenbank Liverpool as the cause that you want to raise money for. The website lists a whole range of retailers who have signed up to make donations to good causes. Simply access the site where you wish to shop using the link from easyfundraising and you will raise funds for Greenbank. Marks and Spencer pay 5% of whatever you spend, Amazon pay 2.5%. Visit easyfundraising to find out more.

Recommend a friend

Do you know anyone aged 16 to 18 who may be interested in coming to Greenbank College in September?

If you recommend a friend (or relative), with no previous connection to the College, aged 16 to 18 (after 1 September 2010) who then enrolls on a course for at least a term, you will receive £50*.

Please pass contact details to Guidance – greenbankiag@greenbank-project.org.uk / 0151 733 7255 or ask your friend to get in touch (quoting 'Recommend a Friend')

Offer available for current Greenbank College students only until 27 August 2010.

Feedback

It is important that staff at the College know about student experiences at the College – both good and bad.

All students will be issued with a 'Have Your Say' form before the end of term. The information provided will be used to form an action plan to improve services at Greenbank College.

The results from this survey will be published on the College Intranet and website (through the Focus Newsletter) by early September.

News

Staff • Students • Volunteers

Welcome

...to **Jenny Johnson** (Senior MI Admin Officer), **Lee Dalziel** (Cleaner), **Charles Hardisty** (Learning Support), **Jeremy McDonagh** (Data Admin Assistant), **Diane Crawford** (Finance / Payroll Administrator) and **Stephan Spendlove** (Chef).

Goodbye and good luck

...to **Kenny Roberts** and **Helen Stewart**.

Get well soon

...to **Sue Gough** who has been off ill since mid April.

Sports Academy update

Greenbank Sports Academy are offering 'after school activities' for disabled children aged 8 and above, their friends and siblings. Sessions run from 14/06/10 until 28/03/11 (term time only). There is also a 'summer holiday' activity programme from 04/08/10 until 20/08/10. For more details visit the 'Clubs and activities' section on www.greenbanksportsacademy.co.uk.

Time Out (GSA Bar & Restaurant) has a new 60 inch TV in time to screen all of the matches from the World Cup in South Africa. Join us for themed menus and drink offers throughout the tournament.