

Young people: Children and young people are welcome. Please let us know numbers, ages and any special needs. There'll be a kids' space, hopefully a teen space, and some activities, but you're still responsible for any young people you bring.

Cost: At the gate, we'll be asking for £15 from every adult (including all the people who are helping out) to cover the cost of organising the gathering. Earth First! has no central office, no members, no paid workers, and also no money. Any donations will be much appreciated. Please make cheques and postal orders payable to **Earth First!** and post to the address below.



Food: GM-free vegan food will be available at the gathering from *Anarchist Teapot*. You can buy meal tickets for £4 a day (3 meals) or bring your own food to cook and a camping stove. There will also be cooking facilities for people with children to cook food either individually or communally.

Dogs: This year's gathering is being held at a dog-free site. One of the conditions of using the land is that there will be no dogs permitted at the gathering. Any dogs arriving on site will be turned away, so please make alternative arrangements for your dog. If you need to bring a guide dog or other support dog, please contact us in advance to discuss. Thanks.

Cameras and press: This is not a press event, so if you're coming as a journalist then you're not welcome. Please respect the wishes of some people not to be photographed and leave your camera at home.

Earth First! Summer Gathering 2007

Write to: EFi, 16 Spring Gardens, Bradford BD1 3EJ
(this address will be operating until 25 June)

Phone: 07780 623385

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Web site: www.earthfirstgathering.org.uk

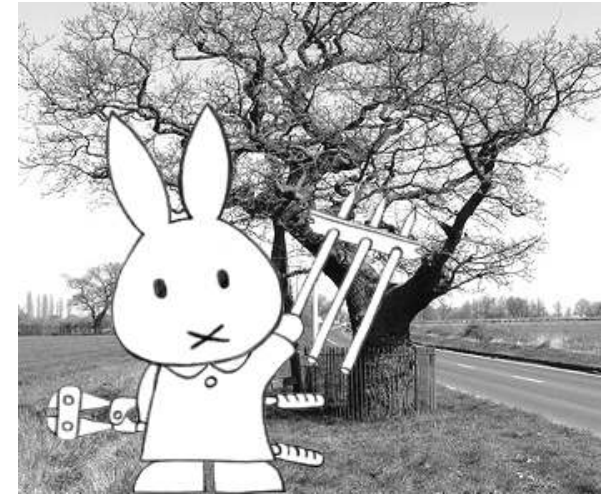
Lots more information on the web site.

EXPLORING ALTERNATIVES TO THE CORPORATE
WORLD OF GREED, LIES & EXPLOITATION

Earth First!

Summer Gathering 2007

For everyone who wants to share skills and ideas on direct action for people and planet



will be held in East Anglia
Wed 18th - Sun 22nd July

Five days of low impact eco-living, being together, playing, planning and plotting to avert the destruction of our precious planet. Please join us - we aim to make this an inclusive gathering.

- **Are you fed up with bare-faced lies from politicians, big business and the media?**
- **Have you had enough of a world where corporate profit comes before life and dignity?**
- **Do you want to see an end to mindless consumption?**
- **Do you believe that direct action is the way to bring about the changes we need?**

Then this Gathering is for you! Read on...



Earth First! is about organising in a non-hierarchical way and using direct action to challenge the forces which are heading us towards the destruction of our planet and its creatures. The Summer Gathering 2007 is an opportunity to spend five days with like-minded people, to share ideas, learn new skills, plan future actions and have FUN!

What's On: This year's sessions will cover a range of practical skills and struggles. Could you run or facilitate a workshop? Email: efgathering@aktivix.org, or write to the address on the back page.

Sessions will be listed on the website, but those already planned include kids' workshops; self-defence; climbing; action first aid; Faslane 365; road and airport expansion; setting up a squat, housing co-op or social centre; organising actions and campaigns; blockade tactics. Some sessions will run over several days to allow time for people to form working groups ready for Climate Camp (www.climatecamp.org.uk) and other actions.

Facilities: Reception tent; vegan catering by *Anarchist Teapot*; a café by *Veggies*; kids'/young people's area; reading library; a women's/queer space; compost toilets; first aid facilities; healing area; *Re-pressed* will be running a stall selling books and pamphlets. Commercial stalls are not welcome, but remember to bring along any information about your group, campaign or upcoming action.

Getting there: The nearest mainline stations will be on the web site at least a month before the Gathering, and the exact location of the site, map and bus times will be announced a week before. For a map and travel details by post, send a first-class stamped addressed envelope marked GATHERING MAP to the address on the back page to arrive by June 25th at the latest. We will post it back to you by July 9th. Alternatively, check the web site from that date. We'll run pickups from the nearest train station for anyone who can't use the bus service, but we will need plenty of notice to arrange this.

Arriving & leaving: sessions start at 1pm on Wednesday 18th July, so aim to arrive by the evening of Tuesday 17th if you want to come to the whole event; the gate will be open from 12 noon. The last session will end on Sunday 22nd at 6ish.

Set-up & tat-down: If you can help with set-up or tat-down on site for a few days before or after the Gathering, please let us know as soon as possible.

Everyone is Site Crew. That means you too! Loads of stuff needs to be done, like chopping vegetables; entertaining young people; facilitating for disabled people; looking after the gate tent; keeping the compost toilets clean. Helping out is a good way to meet new people and learn new things. You can sign up for shifts when you arrive but you can also get involved beforehand. See the website for more details. Being part of the camp means actively looking out for and looking after each other. There'll be people around who can assist you to resolve any differences which arise.

Camping: The accommodation is camping only, so come equipped. A women's & queer camping space will be provided and also a quiet camping area. For people who are unable to camp, we'll have space for a limited number of live-in vehicles. Please don't just turn up with your live-in vehicle. It's important to contact us and book in advance.



What to bring: You will need to bring shelter, warm waterproof clothes and boots. You'll need money for the gate and for food from *Anarchist Teapot* unless you're catering for yourself. Do photocopy and bring along any information about things you've been doing or planning which might be of interest to others.

Access: We will do whatever we can - given our limited budget and being in a field! - to make it possible for you to come along, whatever your impairments. If you need assistance, then people at the gathering will be very happy to help under your guidance. The site is fairly even and on a slight slope. We'll have an accessible compost toilet with hoist and basic washing facilities. There should be a place to charge electric wheelchairs. There are usually people at the gathering with some BSL (sign language) skills. We can provide information in large print if we know in advance. The gathering is a safe place for people who experience mental distress. If you, or any child you are bringing with you, have any special needs at all, please let us know what these are in plenty of time. Contact details on back page.