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# the nightingale centre

The Holiday & Conference Centre set in the heart of the Derbyshire Peaks

## 2010 at Hucklow

*Hello!*

*As the new year approaches I am writing to let you know about the wide range of events available at the Nightingale Centre to interest Unitarians & Free Christians and their friends in the coming year. Many well-loved events remain on the programme but there are also new activities to think about. We hope there is something for everyone!*

*Each season has its own charm and many of you will know from experience that Great Hucklow is a good place to stay at all times of the year - either as a place to be active, to sightsee or just to 'chill out'. Walks from the doorstep are a joy, and there are nearby opportunities for cycling, horse riding, gliding and other active sports. Chatsworth, Haddon Hall and Blue John Cavern are easily reached. Alongside Eyam and Castleton you can visit several other attractive villages, some famous for their "well dressings". For culture, it's just 13 miles to Buxton with its pavilion gardens, opera house, museum, spa and famous Georgian and Victorian architecture.*



*Meanwhile those who are looking for spiritually-based activities will not be disappointed. Many societies will be hosting their annual events and not to be missed are the ever popular Hucklow Summer School and Unitarian Experience Week. Young people will also be able to enjoy the comprehensive National Youth Programme and much more.*

*In addition, if you want to celebrate a family event or have other ideas that require a bespoke package we will be happy to discuss this with you.*

*At the Nightingale Centre we will strive as always to provide the hospitality you have grown to expect. So see what we have to offer, and perhaps bring your friends along.*

*We really look forward to welcoming you!*

*Stella* Centre Manager

## Hucklow Open Day

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Fun for all the family and a time to meet up with old friends**

**All the usual stalls, side shows etc  
Lunch 12.00-3.30pm, Fair from 2-4pm**



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## **New** Open Day Weekend Break

28th May – 30th or 31st May

Take in 'Hucklow Open Day' and stay on for 2 or 3 nights - ideal for those who have a distance to travel, or for those who would like to extend their stay over the Bank Holiday.

**Two nights full-board stay including Sunday lunch from only £93**



## Come and go as you please

Spring 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> May **New**

Summer 31<sup>st</sup> Aug – 3rd Sept

Half board mid-week breaks with nothing fixed except good food and lodgings and beautiful scenery. For those who want to explore there are numerous places to visit. This break will suit independent travellers, groups of friends and couples - anyone who enjoys doing their own thing!

Spring - Mon-Fri Half-Board from £156

Summer - Tue-Fri Half-Board from £117



## Especially for Church groups ...

### Congregations Weekends

Spring 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> March **New**  
Summer 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August  
Autumn 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October



Come to Hucklow with a small or larger group from your church, meet with other church groups, perhaps explore the neighbouring area, and enjoy a weekend together in this peaceful corner of rural Derbyshire.

## Returning by popular request...

### American Patchwork Quilting

19<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> March

Open to beginners and experienced quilters (preferably with machines). Dr Judy Campbell (American Unitarian Community Minister and Fabric Artist) will be demonstrating a strip quilting called *Cross of St Brigid*.

**From £120 (including materials)**



### Writing retreat

21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> March (with optional extension to 26th)

Dr Judy Campbell (US Community Minister and author) says 'Come and polish your skills, learn new ones, pick up some tips, and work on that project you've left on the back burner for too long.'

**From only £217 for four nights fully inclusive**



### Wildflower walks and gardens

29<sup>th</sup> May-1<sup>st</sup> June

A look at the intimate gardens of Great Hucklow with expert guidance from Julie Dadson, plus a fascinating evening walk with Europe's most eminent ecologist, Steve Furness, with time also for rest and exploration and evening entertainment. **From only £110 including all expert guidance**



## Annual favourites - full board mid-week breaks

### Over sixty... but young at heart

12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> July

Enjoy a truly relaxing break in good company

**Please apply for latest price information**



Nearby Haddon Hall

### Autumn Break

18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> October

Out and about during the day and back to cozy surroundings with quizzes, beetle drives and other entertainment organised in the evening

**Prices from only £177 for four nights full board**

There are price reductions for children, and supplements for en-suite and single occupancy.

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For more details of prices and other information, and to book any of the events or the Cottage please contact Centre Manager Stella Burney Tel No: 01298 871218 e-mail: [info@thenightingalecentre.org.uk](mailto:info@thenightingalecentre.org.uk)

## Enjoy a full week at Hucklow!

### Unitarian Experience Week

24<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> July  
Day visitors also welcome

#### 'Reaching the High Notes'

To strive, to seek, to find...the positives in life

Making, creating, walking, dancing, socializing, free time, workshops, stories, reading, singing, meditation, epilogues and music appreciation

For more details contact: Kathy Becket 02380 273420  
Kathy@kptaylor.wanadoo

### Hucklow Summer School

21<sup>st</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August

#### 'Speaking of God'

A rich mix of activities for the heart and the head, optional sessions showcasing activities which participants might "take home" and try out in their own communities.

And plenty of opportunities for relaxed fellowship and fun!

For more details contact: Mel Prideaux 01924 781020  
e-mail info@hucklowsummerschool.org.uk

## The National Youth Programme for 2010



5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> February

Junior Weekend (age 7-11years)

26<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> February

Inter and Senior Weekend (age 11-17 years)

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> April

Pre - GA Youth Workshop for those who will be attending GA (12-17years)



14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May

Bridging weekend (16-21 years)

7<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August

Five Days Away (age 12-17year)

1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Junior Weekend (age 7-11years)



19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> November

Inter and Senior Weekend (age 11-17 years)

For more information about any of the above events please contact John Harley tel. no. 07985 900 935 or e-mail jharley@unitarian.org.uk

### Provincial Assembly 'Fun Day' 17<sup>th</sup> July



The Provincial Assembly's Family 'Fun Day' should not be missed as those who have been before will know! This all day event welcomes families to come along and take part in a host of activities.

If you would like more details about the 'Fun Day' please contact: Janet Ford  
Tel. 0161 330 2970 e-mail: janetmford@yahoo.com



### Family Activity Weekend 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> July

This is an opportunity for families with children to take a short break at the centre and meet other families. The activities of the Provincial Assembly 'Fun Day' on 17<sup>th</sup> July will be available. Also, included in the price (using car-sharing) will be additional activities including a surprise fun trip after breakfast on the Sunday morning. Parent(s) and children, grandparent(s) and grandchildren, all are welcome.

Adults from £96 full-board Friday evening to Sunday breakfast including all activities, with children's prices starting from just £52

There are price reductions for children, and supplements for en-suite and single occupancy.

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# Unitarian Society Events

For society members and all wanting to explore these interests further

## Unitarian Music Society

### Gather the Spirit - through Music

17th- 19th February

Everyone welcome, musicians, singers and lovers of music

For more details contact: Helen Merritt  
Tel: 0151 625 5488  
e-mail: richardandhelenmerritt@hotmail.com

## Communication and Coordination Network

### How to get your

### congregation noticed

19th-21st Feb

For more details contact: Valerie Walker  
Tel: 01296 615073  
e-mail: vawalker55@gmail.com

## FOY Society Annual Conference 30th April – 3rd May

### 'You can tell I'm serious ... because I'm laughing'

This year featuring **Stuart Stokell**, well-known lecturer, singer, comedian. Not to be missed!

For more details contact: Joan Partington  
Tel: 01228 670565  
e-mail: partingtons@gmail.com

## Unitarian Music Society

### Annual UMS Conference (including Hucklow Village Gala Day)

13-16th August

Come along for singing, playing, listening, learning - and sharing good fellowship

For more detail contact: Adrienne Wilson  
Tel: 01483 421905  
e-mail: adie@adiewilson.co.uk

## Unitarian Society for Psychical Studies

### USPS Weekend 3rd- 5th September

For more details contact: Jo Rogers  
Tel: 01539 568 631  
e-mail: Jocelyn@jocelyn9.orangehome.co.uk

## Earth Spirit Network

### U E S N Weekend

29th-31st October

For more details contact: David Arthur  
Tel: 0141 571 1171  
e-mail: davidarthur\_uk@yahoo.co.uk

## Unitarian Women's Group

### UWG Conference 29th-31st October

For more details contact: Stephanie Ramage  
Tel: 01625 423 417  
e-mail: stephanieramage@btinternet.com

## National Unitarian Fellowship

### N U F Weekend 5th-7th November

For more details contact: Elizabeth Barlow  
Tel: 01297 625955  
e-mail: treasurer@nufonline.org.uk

## Attractively furnished 2- bedroom Holiday Cottage



Sleeps up to 4 normally but with some flexibility for increased family accommodation (and cot/high chair available). Duvets, linen, towels provided. PLG gas-fired c/h and power included. Gas cooker, fridge, washer, freezer, microwave, colour TV/DVD. Good-sized garden with garden furniture, BBQ, external lighting. Parking. Pets by arrangement.

**Please enquire about our very reasonable weekly rates, with w/end & midweek lets also available**



## ...AND ADVANCE NOTICE FOR YOUR 2010 DIARY

CHRISTMAS WALKERS/ HUCKLOW VILLAGE LIGHTS WEEKEND  
3RD to 5TH DECEMBER



"HUCKLOW AT CHRISTMAS" WEEKEND  
10TH to 12TH DECEMBER

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