



## Newsletter : April 2013

Welcome to the latest from [www.alt-sheff.org](http://www.alt-sheff.org) - the guide to Sheffield's radical, alternative and ethical business and groups.

Alt-Sheff has been going for 5 years, dedicated to publicising activist and alternative stuff around Sheffield. Please tell your friends and contacts, and if you know about a good event that doesn't seem to be listed, just click "**Submit Event**" on the home page. Give as much detail and as much notice as you can, and we'll do the rest.

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### 1. If you like Alt-Sheff, you'll love this ...

"Talking Politics" is a discussion-based course which means a chance to explore, learn and share ideas about current issues in the UK and world-wide. Topics for discussion are worked out as the sessions continue. It's a fairly unique course, but it NEEDS numbers to keep it running, so if you think you may be interested please have a word with the tutor, Paul Boizot, see [www.paulboizot.co.uk/courses.htm](http://www.paulboizot.co.uk/courses.htm). It runs on Thursday mornings through until July and can be FREE if you're on means-tested benefits or Working Tax Credit, otherwise it's £65.

### 2. Help! Could you be a festival inputter?

Sheffield has a rich tradition of summer community festivals. These are run by volunteers, doing it for fun and to support community organisations, so Alt-Sheff has always tried to give them a bit of extra publicity, but finding and listing the details takes extra time from May onwards. If you can spare a few hours to help, please get in touch. No technical skills needed, just internet use, training given.

### 3. What's on in late April and May?

Alt-Sheff's events page is now pretty much updated for April and May. As well as all the regular interesting events, here's a sample of what's coming up.

#### Last week of April:-

The Green Film Festival 2013

"Time to Scrap Trident" tour reaches Sheffield  
Mental Self-Help Celebration  
Revolutionary Island Discs + free Cuban Salsa taster class  
"Come and fix yer bike" workshop

**May:-**

The Green Film Festival 2013 (continued)  
Chesterfield Community Arts Festival  
Vegan Gourmet Food Night  
World Laughter Day Playshop  
Chesterfield May Day Gala  
Sheffield Anarchist Book Fair 2013  
ASSIST Benefit gig with the Free Radicals  
Annual General Meeting of SYMAAG  
Talk: Salim Lamrani on Cuba and US sanctions  
Talk: Jazz musician Omar Puentes on Cuban Music Today

For more details of all events see [www.alt-sheff.org](http://www.alt-sheff.org)  
These are highlights listed so far. No doubt there will be more to come as the weeks roll on...

**And from the "News" section, here are the headlines:**

Cycle for Nicaragua 2013  
What you think about housing in Sheffield?  
Friday Night Ride seeks help  
Chapelton: Coal mining may resume  
Peace in the Park needs you!  
The weave of Asylum Support in Sheffield  
Northern Refugee Centre grows  
CycleBoost comes to Sheffield  
Frengle gets connected  
Sign here for sustainable S.Y. transport options

For more details of any of these items see [www.alt-sheff.org/stories](http://www.alt-sheff.org/stories)

## 4. Alt-Sheff is in print

Did you know that Alt-Sheff has a monthly "Localcheck" column in Sheffield's "Now Then" magazine? Editions are distributed free at various venues, and can also be downloaded from

[www.nowthenmagazine.com](http://www.nowthenmagazine.com). This month's article covers:

- \* Sheffield Anarchist Book Fair (this year in a bigger venue, Showroom Workstation 11th- 12th May, because it gets more popular every year)
- \* Bradley Manning and Wikileaks
- \* Prisoners who criticise the prison system
- \* SLAPPs
- \* And whether or not people should wear t-shirts with slogans.

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