

Up-date Sept 2017

Well that was one wet "summer" this year, which does make progressing with the plans a lot more difficult, but we are still working hard to achieve them.

The nightmare still continues with the landlords of the carpark. We now have no choice but to pay for 2 carparks, it is putting a strain on things, so we can't afford to convert the new carpark at this time. I would love to do it tomorrow, but without the funds it is impossible. We still have another couple of years where we will have to pay for the two as we can't get out of the old lease early, but we need the security of having a carpark for the next 20 years. There is so much more to be told about this story, I could write a book that would seem so unbelievable at times it would almost be a scary comedy, but I live in hope that Karma will kick in & all will come to an end soon with all the truths coming out. It is not going to get us down though, thanks to your support so I would like to up date you on what we have been up to.

We converted the old shed at the back which was just filled with rubbish into a **poly shed** to grow some of our own produce. We enlisted the help of some local kids who helped us plant all the seeds & now this is what it looks like







The old shed, roof taken off, cut out the sides, cover with polythene, Put down a floor, plant the seeds & watch it growing so you can eat it







Our **composting station** is up & running, hopefully next year we will be using our own compost for growing the seeds in our poly shed.

We are continuing to add to our **Wildlife garden**, we are adding some more habitats & plants for the wildlife to take cover in this wet weather.



The Kids eat free offer continues on, we have refurbished & added to the garden so there is more for the







Our Rustic woods made a new **tractor**, which the kids & adults seem to be enjoying





We also added in a **car road** & another **sit on** for the kids to enjoy which seems to be a great hit





We refurbished the **memorial bench** for the family as it was in need of some TLC, so walkers can enjoy sitting on it to take in the views



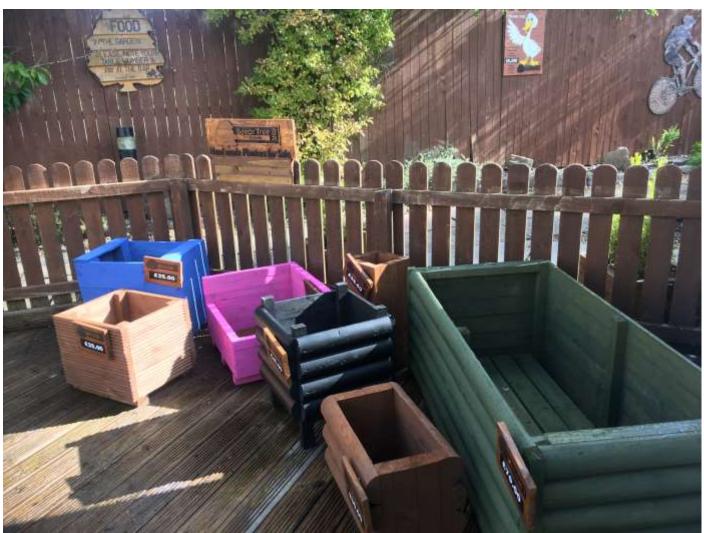
The **rustic woods** side is branching out. Like most businesses we need to add to what we do to keep the business going. So we are now pleased to announce we are now making more products and are using re-claimed wood wherever possible



We are now making routered out house signs which you can see on the way in. These are made with recycled pine boards.



Our **Rustic Planters** are made from reclaimed timber & off cuts, so no two are the same as it depends on what we can make with the wood available. The aren't prefect, but they are rustic! They will last for a long time & are made with care. Why not have a look next time you are in to see if any suit you.







Here are just some of the other projects that **Rustic Woods** have been working on this year for other people.





It is with regret that we say goodbye to **Donna** my assistant Manager at the end of this month. She has worked for me for 9 years so deserves a medal for that if nothing else. She is seeking a new challenge &

although we wish her well & hope she will return one day, she will be greatly missed at the Beech Tree. She has been brilliant for the Beech Tree in so many different ways.

We are changing our **opening hours** which are as below from this week, a little early this year, but with the weather the way it is, it is just not cost effect to be open all the time.



Hopefully soon we will have some **exciting news** to tell you on the **animal** front, but will keep you posted on our facebook page & website. The animals are all doing great, this year we have had a couple of zebra finch babies, the Chinchillas have settled in so well with Two tone, Billy & Tom the goats are just loving getting all the attention. The three mini Shetland ponies—Teddy, Comet & Bolt are just having so much fun in their new paddock even though they have been so wet, Ernie the rabbit is still hanging on, although going blind aswell, we are monitoring him, but as long as he still enjoys life we will continue to nurse him along. The other three Bandit, Penelope & Alfie all enjoy you feeding them. The three new ducklings are now fully grown & have merged so well with the others.

Soon we will have a new menu on. We don't always get it right, but the whole team works so hard to try & make your experience at the Beech Tree a good one. Like in any job, sometimes that just doesn't happen for one reason or another, we are only humans, but we do try & do care such a lot.

Thank you for using the Beech Tree & I hope you continue to support us.

Lynne Alldritt

Proprietor