

COUNTRYSIDE crafts and a slice of history came together to give people a wild day out.

Rhyl's Brickfield Pond was the focus of the town's latest free event which attracted hundreds of people from across Denbighshire.

Organised by Rhyl Town Council and Denbighshire Countryside Service, Wild Rhyl gave people the chance to have a go at crafts including willow weaving, hedge laying and pond dipping. Face painting, drumming, birds of prey, bird box making, cycling and spoon and badge making were also on offer.

Rhyl Mayor, Cllr Alan James, said: "This latest event put the spotlight on a different side to Rhyl. We are blessed with both sea and countryside and people were keen to come along and have a go at new activities and explore the Brickfield. It was good to see the event so well supported and we were pleased to be working in partnership with Denbighshire Countryside Service for a second year."

The day also gave people the chance to share their memories of the Brickfield over the years. With possible plans for a permanent history feature at the pond, people taking part in the event were invited to share their memories and artefacts as part of a consultation exercise.

Garry Davies, Denbighshire Countryside Service Countryside Officer (North), said: "The Brickfield has a rich history as a clay pit serving the town's brick works – it's an important part of the town's history and one we don't want forgotten. Many local people have memories of the brickworks and, by capturing them on the day, we will be able to use them to look at possible future plans for the site. We're very grateful to those who came along and recalled those times for us."

Wild Rhyl was the latest event from Rhyl Town Council and will be followed up with the showing of free Christmas films in December.

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