



BEAN THERE: Lynda Roach, Sheila and Mike Eggleton and June Gabriel pick up some plants; browsing the stalls; and, below, Hester Casey and Michael Lelliott with their beanpole scarecrows

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Day's terrific fun, old bean

CONSERVATIONISTS helped spread the word, raise money and educate the young as they held the fifth annual Bean Pole Day at Caversham Court Gardens.

Plants, bean poles and pea sticks were sold along with plant supports and items made by local willow weaver Christine Brewster and there was wildlife including bees and slugs which children were able to take a closer look at.

A special hive was brought along where children could see inside and spot the queen bee.

Alan Stevens, treasurer of Econet, which organised the day, said it raised £300 for the group.

He added: "The Woodland Trust started this idea to promote products from small local woodlands and promote their management."

