

Charcoal and Biochar production and marketing – Kilns vs Retorts: online training event 29 January 2021, 11.00am

Introduction

This training event was one of a series organised by the Community Woodlands Association between January and March 2021. The main presenter was Matt Edmonds from Stag Charcoal which produces a range of single and mixed species charcoal widely distributed across the UK, as well as biochar. Matt discussed his experience of using a retort for charcoal and biochar production. Topics covered included:

- What is the difference between a retort and a ring kiln?
- Which is the better option for a community woodland group?

Presentation

Matt's presentation is available at: https://youtu.be/5jY6KySwUYk

| Delegates | Organisation (where known) |
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| Matt Edmonds | Stag Charcoal |
| Amanda Calvert | CWA |
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| Steven Hutcheon | |
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| Lynn Turner | Applecross Community Company |
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