



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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22 March 2017

What we've been doing

21 March 2017

Snaprails park

Leader: Jon Munday

BFC ranger: Alison Levy

There were 3 tasks:

1. We made a pen for compost, 4m x 3m, using stakes and branches provided by the Rangers
2. We painted a bridge with non-slip paint.



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3. We resurfaced the picnic area around the seating with scalplings.



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Ten volunteers attended. It was sunny but cold.

We were joined by Alison's dog Jack for part of the time:



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Previous visits

We last visited Snaprails on 17 January 2017; we removed *Rhododendron ponticum* and made some ornamental trelliswork with pieces of *Rhododendron* stem.

On 13 December 2016, we visited Snaprails with Ranger Liz. We planted hedging along the side of the cycle path into the park; this is now growing up nicely. We also cleared rhododendron and bramble and snowberry.

Snaprails Park

Snaprails Park is an area of 3.5 hectares near Owlsmoor in Sandhurst. The Park was formerly the grounds of a 19th Century house. There are open areas, a stream and pond and native woodland. Ornamental trees include giant redwood (*Sequoiadendron giganteum*), swamp cypress (*Taxodium distichum*), coast redwood (*Sequoia sempervirens*) and tulip tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*). The park came into ownership by Bracknell Forest Borough Council in 1985.

See:

<http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/discover-snaprails-park.pdf>

Coming up next

28 March 2017

Lily Hill Park (Starch Copse)

Scrub clearance, continuation of previous activity, see Newsletter No.15, 080317.

Spring flowers

Primroses were flowering at Snaprails:



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What's on

South Hill Park

Community Litter Pick

Thursday 23 March 2017 10:00-11:00

Meet at courtyard in front of SHP reception, Ringmead, Bracknell RG12 7PA

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