



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

10 October 2017

Blackmoor Pond (Ascot)

Leader: Richard Elsbury
Ranger: Rob Solomon

One group cleared the island in the pond of invasive plants (mostly rhododendron and holly) and ferried the cleared material on the boat to shore. Cleared material was put in the trailer for disposal. For unknown reasons, the boat was christened "Brian".

The other volunteers cleared rhododendron and laurel from the bank opposite the island, to open up the view to the pond.

The weather was cloudy but quite warm. Ten volunteers attended.

Previous visits

We last visited this site on 2 April 2013, when we reinforced a bank with woven posts and willow binders.

Blackmoor Pond

Blackmoor Pond is just within the Bracknell Forest Council area. The boundary with Ascot (Windsor and Maidenhead council) runs through the southern end of the pond.

The Blackmoor stream runs into Blackmoor Pond

Coming up next

17 October 2017

Savernake Park

Tree felling and dead hedging.

Sand lizards

Captive-bred sand lizards have been released into the wild at Eelmoor Marsh near Farnborough in an attempt to revive local populations of this endangered native lizard:

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/news/2017/09/marwell-lizard.page>

Eelmoor Marsh:

<http://thefarnboroughsociety.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Walk-in-Eelmoor-Marsh.pdf>

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