



# Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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## What we've been doing

**5 December 2017**

**Lily Hill Park**

**Leader: Graham Coe**  
**Ranger: John Morris**

The group cleared holly and rhododendron and burnt the cleared material on a bonfire. The weather was overcast and relatively mild. Thirteen volunteers attended, and we were pleased to welcome a new member to the group.

### *Previous visits*

We last visited Lily Hill Park on 7 November 2017. One group of volunteers rebuilt the bridge near the entrance from the Running Horse car park, which was the culmination of several weeks of work preparing the site and materials and removing the old bridge.

Other volunteers cleared rhododendron, holly and hazel and burnt the cleared material on a bonfire.

### *Lily Hill Park*

Lily Hill Park covers 56 acres. The site offers a wide range of habitats for wildlife including wildflower meadows, ornamental woodland and ancient woodland. The collection of specimen *Rhododendron* varieties is of historical importance, and has been largely untouched since 1922. The park has recently benefitted from some £80,000 worth of new path surfacing.

[https://files.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/sites/bracknell/documents/lily-hill-park-leaflet.pdf?6XOkn0JkIBE\\_idA7zQrXP9C6gNeNwG5w](https://files.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/sites/bracknell/documents/lily-hill-park-leaflet.pdf?6XOkn0JkIBE_idA7zQrXP9C6gNeNwG5w)

## Coming up next

**12 December 2017**

**Temple Copse**

Coppicing, park in Dunford Place, Binfield.

## BCV Christmas Outing

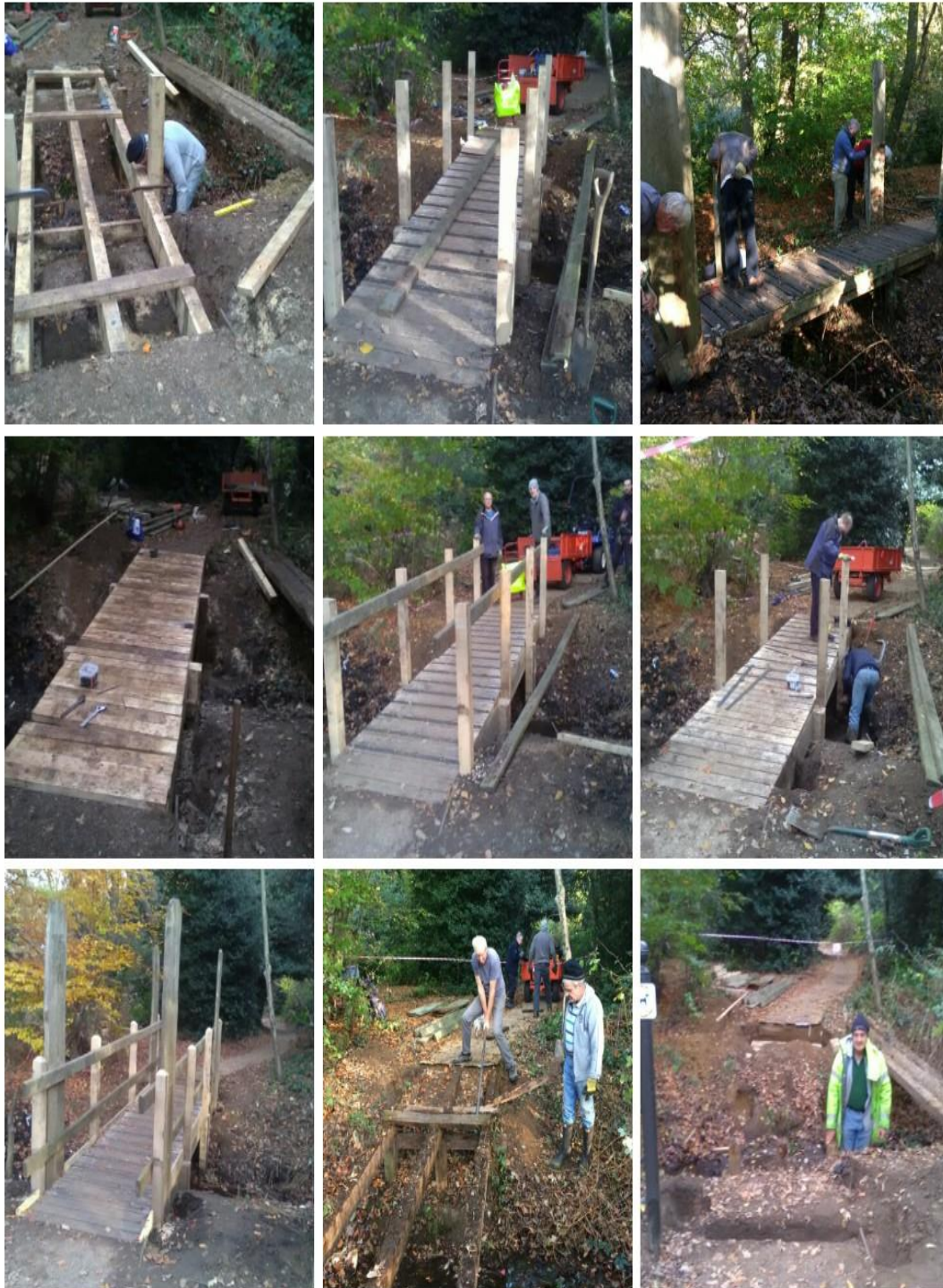
Just a reminder that on Tuesday 19 December BCV will be visiting the Reading Museum of Rural Life followed by a meal in the afternoon at the Golden Retriever.

Museum visit begins: 10:00

Table booked at Golden Retriever: 13:30

# Building the bridge at Lily Hill Park

A collage of photos of the bridge, in various stages of construction



## What's On

### ***Heathland Magic at Wildmoor Heath (BFC event)***

Saturday 16 December 2017 10:30 – 13:30

*[Get involved in our heathland conservation event. Enjoy a bonfire and marshmallows and possibly take home your own Christmas tree. Tools & refreshments provided. Please bring work gloves. Booking is required: 01344 354441]*

Wildmoor Heath car park, Crowthorne Road, RG45 7PP.

### ***Bracknell Forest Parks and Countryside***

All Parks and Countryside events are listed at:

<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/parks-and-countryside/events>

Events to April 2018

<https://files.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/sites/bracknell/documents/parks-events-prog-november-17-to-april-18.pdf?VGy1eW6B5kDoGmQezhyJoGJXLlRg.Mq>

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