



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

30 January 2018

Popes Meadow

Leader: Graham Coe

Ranger: Luke Dawson

One group created a laid hedge, extending an existing hedge. The other volunteers cleared dogwood and brambles. We were very pleased to welcome a new volunteer. Twelve volunteers attended. The weather was cold at first, later overcast. The ground was very muddy.

Previous visits

We last visited Popes Meadow on 13 June 2017. We removed invasive parrot feather (*Myriophyllum aquaticum*) using a boat. A botanical survey of the meadow was carried out. Some small trees were cut down and used for hedging.

Popes Meadow

This area of 13.7 acres of parkland in Binfield parish was at one time part of the grounds of Pope's Manor, which was the home of the poet Alexander Pope. The park has been given a Green Flag award. It has been designated a Local Wildlife Site.

See: <https://files.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/sites/bracknell/documents/pop-es-meadow-leaflet.pdf?GzFIpVwqGVLVMkHHMO6kQw0kDIOqNhHM>

Coming up next

6 February 2018

Nightingale Triangle

Woodland restoration.

Nightingale Triangle project

The first task session to start work on this project was held on Saturday 20 January. Several BCV volunteers and a good number of volunteers from Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS) and local residents attended on a wet and miserable day. About 30 volunteers attended in total. A large amount of holly was cleared and left to be collected for chipping.

Further events so far planned for this project are:

Residents and volunteers tasks (all invited):

Saturday 17 February 2018 10:00 – 15:00

Saturday 17 March 2018 10:00 – 15:00

BCV Tuesday tasks (check on website for confirmation):

Tuesday 6 February 2018 09:30 – 15:00

Tuesday 20 February 2018 09:30 – 15:00

Owl/kestrel boxes and native trees

Jealott's Hill Community Landshare has 2 owl nestboxes and 2 kestrel nestboxes available, for anyone who may have need for a suitable project. There are also some whips of native trees available, details of species not known at present.

Anyone interested please contact Roger Britt at:

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in the first instance.

What's on

Berkshire Conservation Volunteers

Conservation task: clearing holly

Bill Hill

Sunday 18 February 2018 meet at 10:15 at the site

Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT)

Evening talk: Mammal Recording - How Citizen Science is Informing Conservation

BBOWT Education Centre, Woolley Firs, Cherry Garden Lane, Maidenhead SL6 3LJ

Thursday 22 February 2018 19:30 – 10:00

See poster for details:



Mammal recording,
22 Feb 2018.pdf

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