



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

22 June 2021

Peacock Meadow

This was our third visit to Peacock Meadow. Again, we worked on ragwort pulling. The plants were mostly taller than before, and somewhat easier to pull up since the recent rain. There are 2 kinds of ragwort present: common and hoary ragwort. The hoary ragwort flowers later than the common ragwort, and forms low rosettes of leaves, which are very difficult to uproot; forks were needed.

11 volunteers attended. The weather was fine and quite hot in the sun. Fortunately there was some cloud later, which made it cooler.

The group car failed to start, but fortunately our Chairman was on hand to transport tools.



29 June 2021

Cabbage Hill

We parked at Jocks Lane and walked across the Binfield Road to the woodland adjoining Long Copse.

The first task was to clear bracken and bramble for about 1m either side of the path through the copse.

Task 2 was to drain a puddle which had formed by the gate to the field and fill in the dip so it wouldn't flood again.

Task 3 was to move a pile of woodchip and spread this on the path.

Task 4 was to clear aspen sucker regrowth from a clearing around an oak tree.

18 volunteers attended. The weather was overcast and quite humid, but dry. Heavy rain came on at about 15:30; we hope most volunteers were back home by then.



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Coming up next

6 July 2021

Hayley Green Wood

Task: bramble pulling

13 July 2021

Horseshoe Lake

Task: Himalayan balsam pulling

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