



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

26 October 2021

The Parks

The site was an area of woodland to the east of Hastings View and to the west of Lysander Drive. Some planting and clearance work has been done in this area by local residents. We followed directions from local volunteer Robert to sort previously cut rhododendron and laurel into suitable stakes to create a dead hedge. We built the dead hedge around the western end of the site. Some volunteers cut back laurel encroaching on a path. A large laurel stump was removed with some difficulty.

The weather was warm for the time of year, with sunny spells. There were a few spots of rain but it was mostly dry.

We had a very good turnout of 20 volunteers.



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Lily Hill Park

One group of volunteers cut down willow from around the pond on the Eastern Meadow. A dead specimen of a purple emperor butterfly has been found at Lily Hill Park, and it is hoped that this means that this beautiful butterfly is living in the tree tops at Lily Hill Park, and that its caterpillars will be able to feed on the willow when it regrows.

See: <https://butterfly-conservation.org/butterflies/purple-emperor>

Cleared material was piled for later removal by BFC rangers. This job was completed by coffee time, so we then worked on clearing brambles and other vegetation from around trees in the meadow.

Another group worked on rebuilding a dam in the stream bed near the veteran oak, A substantial dam was built using timber provided by the rangers.

The weather was quite cold, with a sharp frost at first, but quite sunny later.

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Coming up next

9 November 2021

Hayley Green Wood

Task: bramble clearance

16 November 2021

Wildmoor Heath

Task: scrub cutting

What's on

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)

Working party at Nightingale Triangle

Saturday 6 November 2021

10:00 – 14:45

Street parking in Firlands.

Wildlife in Ascot

Working party at Carnation Hall to create a wildflower patch

Sunday 7 November 2021

14:00 – 16:00

Meet in the car park at Canation Hall, Chavey Down Road, Winkfield Row RG42 7PA
Dress for gardening work with gloves and tough shoes and bring a rake or fork if you have one,

Conservation work at Allen's Field

Saturday 13 November 2021

09:30 – 12:30

Meet in the car park off Liddell Way off Bouldish Farm Rd South Ascot SL5 9UZ
Volunteers organised by Groundwork South. Dress for gardening work. Contact Matthew.Hartgrove@groundwork.org.uk for more info.

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