



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

15 February 2022

Larks Hill

We pruned apple trees in the orchard. The trees had not been pruned for some time, and it was very difficult to disentangle the rather matted growth. We had a brief talk from the ranger about pruning: creating an open "goblet" shape to promote ventilation, and removing dead, diseased and damaged growth in particular.

We had a bonfire to burn some material which had previously been cut, and also burnt the material we had pruned ourselves.

12 volunteers attended. It started to drizzle about coffee time, and later became very wet indeed. It was quite cold in the wind.

22 February 2022

Whitegrove Copse

We cleared bramble from an area bounded by the dead hedge made by BCV at our task on 20 April 2021. The aim was to allow bluebells to flower. Many bluebell leaves were visible. The weather was overcast and surprisingly warm for the time of year. We were very glad to welcome a new volunteer. 16 volunteers attended.



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Coming up next

1 March 2022

Lily Hill Park

Task: clear area near lychgate on site of former pub

8 March 2022

Ambarrow Court

Task: laurel/acacia clearance

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Working party at Ascot Heath Primary School infant's wildlife garden

Friday 25 February 2022

12:30 - 15:00

"Winter maintenance required to prepare the garden for the year so the children can spend productive time here and learn to appreciate wildlife. Dress for gardening work with gloves and tough shoes. Sign in at the infant school reception, the second building, Rhododendron Walk, SL58PN. It would be useful if you can let us know if you will be coming. Please email ascot.wildlife@gmail.com Subject: Ascot Heath."

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)

'The plight of the Orangutan'

Evening talk by Tony Buckel and Lesley Bradbrook

Monday 21 March 2022

start 19:30

Recital Room, South Hill Park: £1 for members, £3 for visitors, pay on door

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