



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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13 October 2022

What we've been doing

4 October 2022

South Hill Park

We removed bramble in the South Wood, continuing from previous clearance done by BCV and by a corporate group.

The weather was cloudy. We had a good turnout of 20 volunteers



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Bucklers Forest

This was our first visit to this site. We created a bee bank with 2 steps, a lower step to encourage basking reptiles and an upper step. The vertical bank in between steps is intended to encourage burrowing bees.

We then pulled pine seedlings from a lower area to forestall encroachment by the forest. We had a very good turnout of 22 people, and were very glad to welcome 2 new volunteers.



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Coming up next

18 October 2022

Wykery Copse

Task: coppicing, protecting stools, dam repairs

25 October 2022

Englemere Pond

Task: scrub bashing

Lesser spotted woodpeckers

Lesser spotted woodpeckers have returned to Dorset after being thought to have died out locally. This is attributed to organic farming methods which favour wildlife.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-dorset-63158903?xtor=AL-72-%5Bpartner%5D-%5Bbbc.news.twitter%5D-%5Bheadline%5D-%5Bnews%5D-%5Bbizdev%5D-%5Bisapi%5D&at_campaign=64&at_custom3=%40BBCNews&at_custom2=twitter&at_custom4=3D43AD9E-4626-11ED-82DC-B7AB4744363C&at_custom1=%5Bpost+type%5D&at_medium=custom7

Butterflies in danger

The Big Butterfly Count for 2022 has recorded the smallest number of butterfly sightings in 13 years although some species have increased their number, such as the Common Blue, Gatekeeper and Comma.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/63169055>

What's on

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society

Monday 17 October 2022

start 19:30

DISCOVERING THE PURPLE EMPEROR

"This beautiful butterfly is on the increase! Matthew Oates, specialist adviser for the National Trust and Butterfly Conservation, and author of His Imperial Majesty, a Natural History of the Purple Emperor, explains why and how we are getting better at looking for and protecting it."

Recital Room, South Hill Park, Ringmead, Bracknell RG12 7PA
Entrance £3 at the door for non-members, £1 for members

Wildlife in Ascot

Saturday 12 November 2022

09:00 – 12:30

Conservation work at Allens Field
Meet in the car park off Liddell Way off Bouldish Farm Rd South Ascot SL5 9UZ
Dress for gardening work. Contact ascot.wildlife@gmail.com for more info.

Jealotts Hill Community Landshare

Saturday 22 October 2022

12:00 – 15:00

10 year anniversary Autumn Event, see poster:



10yr Autumn Event
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