



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

14 March 2023

Bucklers Forest

The task was to remove tree guards, stakes and ties from an area close to the car park. We then continued along the adjoining area past the retirement home. Stakes were stacked in the trailer and guards were placed in recycling bags. The terrain was very challenging, with deep ditches which were difficult to get in and out of. It was bitterly cold and overcast at first, then became sunny and warmer after our tea break. 19 volunteers attended.



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21 March 2023

Garth Meadows

The task was cutting back blackthorn and hawthorn. A clump next to the pedestrian entrance was dug out with roots (this was very hard work). Hawthorn and blackthorn along the fence line was cut back to ground level. There were some initial problems getting the bonfire going, but eventually we burned most of the cleared material.

The weather was overcast and warm for the time of year, very windy.

17 volunteers attended.



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Tree cover in Bracknell

Friends of the Earth has mapped tree cover in England: Bracknell Forest is second in the rankings at 35.4% of the area covered by trees:

<https://policy.friendsoftheearth.uk/insight/mapping-english-tree-cover-results-ranking-and-methodology>

Coming up next

28 March 2023

Task: ditch and wetland work

Westmorland Park

4 April 2023

Task: tba

Lily Hill Park

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Sunday 16 April 2023

06:00 – about 08:00

Dawn chorus walk in Mill Ride Golf Club, led by David Calcutt

Dress warmly with stout shoes. No dogs please.

Please email us at ascot.wildlife@gmail.com to book your place.

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)

Evening talk: "Jewels on the wing: the secret life of the dragonfly"

Nick Percival – British Dragonfly Society

Monday 17 April 2023 doors open 19:15 for 19:30 start
Recital Room, South Hill Park

BFNHS members £1, visitors £3 (pay at door)

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