



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

25 April 2023

Longhill Park

Our tasks were:

- 1) Weed round new hedge next to knee-high fence in car park.
- 2) Remove creeping thistle from centre of meadow. Ragwort pullers proved very effective in removing thistle roots.
- 3) Beyond steps remove rhododendron regrowth from area to where road is, and also do this between the steps near houses. Stack cleared material in piles so it cannot reroot.

The weather was sunny with little wind, quite warm in the sun.

21 volunteers attended.



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2 May 2023

Lily Hill Park

Our first task was to clear grass and weeds from a hoggin path along the edge of the hay meadows. Volunteers formed themselves into small groups and worked out effective ways of tackling this task. There was general satisfaction with the task: it was possible to see the result of our work, and this was good for motivation.

Other volunteers weeded around planted shrubs at the north end of the path.

The weather was overcast, but remained dry. 19 volunteers attended.



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Coming up next

9 May 2023

Cabbage Hill

Task: ragwort pulling

16 May 2023

Bucklers Forest

Task: tree guard removal and conifer regeneration removal

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Monday 8 May 2023 (Coronation bank holiday)

10:00 – 12:00

We encourage you all to volunteer in "The Big Help Out" - Please come along any time between 10 am and 12 midday with some old and broken pine cones, bamboo canes, sticks, pieces of ceramic plant pots, pebbles, untreated wool or other organic materials and add them to the bug palace we are creating at Carnation Hall, Winkfield Row:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Carnation+Hall/@51.4262928,-0.7113606,2904m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m6!3m5!1s0x48767e7f0aa7af21:0x3326fdac249c5ad6!8m2!3d51.427422!4d-0.7096398!16s%2Fq%2F11bzx9wn6q>

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)

Monday 15 May 2023

doors open 19:15 for 19:30 start

Evening talk: "ANCIENT TREES AND ALL THAT ROT"

Dr Helen Read, Burnham Beeches Conservation Officer

Recital Room, South Hill Park

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

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