



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

9 May 2023

Cabbage Hill

The task was to replenish woodchip on the path through the wood. Part of the group did a great job removing weed from the edge of the path in preparation. Some bluebells were spared from weeding. As the pile of woodchip was right at the bottom of the hill there was a lot of shovelling into the ranger's trailer to move it somewhere more convenient and to reduce the effort involved in barrowing it uphill.

The field where ragwort was to be pulled was extremely wet underfoot, with standing water in some places.

The weather was warm, muggy and overcast; rain was expected later.

16 volunteers attended.



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16 May 2023

Bucklers Forest

The car park was partly closed for maintenance, so there was some initial difficulty in finding spaces. There is some street parking in Ellis Road, if this problem arises again.

The tasks were:

- 1) Remove tree guards and rescue as many stakes as possible.
- 2) Remove small pine seedlings to prevent regeneration of the woodland.

The weather was sunny but with a cool breeze. 19 volunteers attended.

One of the rangers found newts in a pond near our lunch site



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Coming up next

23 May 2023

Task: ragwort pulling

Garth Meadows

30 May 2023

Task: ragwort pulling

Frost Folly

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Saturday 10 June 2023

09:30 – 12:30

Conservation work at Allens Field - building a dead hedge, surveying for birds and planting a few saplings.

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.

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)

Monday 19 June 2023

doors open 19:15 for 19:30 start

***Evening talk:* " THE CUCKOO AND THE NIGHTJAR
Brian Clews**

Recital Room, South Hill Park

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

These two charismatic birds, quintessential to our British summers, have many things in common, but also have very secretive lives. Naturalist expert Brian Clews looks at their journeys, their part in our folk history, and what modern science has helped us to find out about them.

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