



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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15 June 2023

What we've been doing

23 May 2023

Garth Meadows

The tasks were:

1. To clear large pond of hawthorn and blackthorn
2. Repair fence posts and restaple wire
3. At Jocks Lane gate, repair fence inside kissing gate
4. Replace fence posts on fence near river
5. Sand, stain and colour bridge structure and benches around site

The weather was partly sunny with some wind. 17 volunteers attended.



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30 May 2023

Cabbage Hill

The task was ragwort pulling, but there was not much ragwort present. Cleared almost all the top field with a small group, including most verges. We were able to see the benefits of our efforts over the last couple of years.

The weather was cool initially, but warm and sunny by coffee time, with a strong breeze.

12 volunteers attended



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6 June 2023

Ambarrow Court

We dug ditches to connect a damp meadow and pond previously dug by BFC to a drainage ditch the far side of the track, aiming to reduce flooding of the track. We also did some clearance around seating areas.

The weather was overcast with a cool breeze. 15 volunteers attended.



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13 June 2023

Lily Hill Park

Light weeding was done for all orchard trees, and they were then mulched with some of the wood chip. Weeds for composting were placed in designated areas. We then cleared the edges of local paths, "flicking" the material into the undergrowth.

We started our AGM at 12:00, but did not succeed in finishing proceedings. An extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) has been scheduled for 4 July 2023 at South Hill Park by the amphitheatre.

The weather was sunny and getting hot. 18 volunteers attended.



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Coming up next

20 June 2023

Peacock Meadows

Task: knee rail repair and ragwort pulling

27 June 2023

Long Hill Park

Task: repair steps

What's on

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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