



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

1 August 2023

Lily Hill Park

The main task was repairing the amphitheatre installed by BCV in 2008 (or thereabouts). Most posts and panels were rotten so these were removed and replaced, and were painted when finished.

We also cleared bramble and holly and burned cut material together with the rotten wood from the amphitheatre.

The weather was warm and dry but there was some cloud cover. 20 volunteers attended.



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8 August 2023

Whitegrove Copse

The task was to renew as necessary an old dead hedge with brash coppiced by a previous group. We made a new section of dead hedge on the side of a path. All previously coppiced material was used.

The weather was wet until about 11:00, this was not forecast by the BBC. 18 volunteers attended

Michael J. Norton, tools coordinator, gave a demonstration of country crafts. A three-legged stool, which could also serve as a sawing horse or small bench, was constructed using cleaved timber. Tenons were cut on the legs using a dowel plate. A barrel auger was used to drill holes in the stool top for the tenons. Some volunteers found that they were unexpectedly forceful in their use of the auger.



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Coming up next

15 August 2023

Horseshoe Lake

Task: bank erosions spiling and in-filling

22 August 2023

Big Wood

Task: tree guard removal

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Saturday 12 August 2023

09:30 – 12:30

Conservation work at Allens Field.

We will be working to complete the dead hedge at the dog agility area and carrying out wild flower and pollinator surveys as well as pond dipping to see if anything is in our new pond in the woodland.

Meet in the car park off Liddell Way off Bouldish Farm Rd South Ascot SL5 9UZ
Dress for gardening work.

Contact us at ascot.wildlife@gmail.com for more info.

Friends of Nightingale Triangle

Saturday 12 August 2023

10:00 – 14:30

Work Party at Nightingale Triangle

Street parking in Firlands.

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