

Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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What we've been doing

10 October 2023 Westmorland Park

The task was coppicing hazel alongside a path and creating brash bundles for a later project on the nearby Bullbrook.

We also extended and topped up an existing dead hedge.

The weather was warm and sunny. There was a record turnout of 28 volunteers.



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17 October 2023

Wildmoor Heath

We worked in an area we had previously visited (31 January 2023) clearing silver birch regrowth, pine saplings and some gorse. All cut material was burnt on a bonfire.

The terrain is difficult on this site, one volunteer fell in a drainage ditch, but no harm was done.

The weather was cool and clear initially, then the Sun emerged and it became delightfully warm with a welcome breeze.

23 volunteers attended.



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24 October 2023

Bill Hill

We cleared holly, laurel and some rhododendron on the slope up towards the top of the hill. This is a continuation from the last task on this site (14 February 2023). All cut material was burnt on a bonfire site well away from the top of the hill, as this site is a scheduled Ancient Monument.

The weather was mostly sunny with a few drops of rain, the tree cover provided dappled shade for working.

20 volunteers attended.



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Coming up next

31 October 2023 Englemere Pond

Task: scrub clearance on heath, dead hedging

7 November 2023 South Hill Park

Task: clear up around the car park

What's on

Wildlife in Ascot

Saturday 11 November 2023

09:30 - 12:30

Conservation work at Allens Field - we will be planting a few saplings and continuing work on controlling the growth of rhododendron and laurel in the woodland.

Meet in the car park - off Liddell Way, South Ascot SL5 9UZ here:

https://maps.app.goo.gl/seRhoQSrTEsygWw2A

Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT)

Saturday 2 December 2023

11:00 - 15:00

Christmas Tree sale

Edgbarrow Woods Car Park
Wildmoor Heath, Sandhurst Road, Crowthorne near RG45 7PP

Sustainable Christmas trees - from your local nature reserves

The Scots pine trees are sourced from local heathland by the Wildlife Trust.

The 'green' Christmas trees are sustainably grown, freshly cut the weekend of the sale and drop-resistant. Felling the trees helps with the heathland management and restoration.

Christmas gift items, holly and pine cones will also be on sale.



Christmas Trees -December 2023.pdf

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