



# Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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## What we've been doing

**26 March 2024**

### **Cabbage Hill**

At our task on 6 February 2024 we completed 50 yards of dead hedging in Long Copse. Today we continued the dead hedging task almost to the N entrance to Long Copse. A small amount of coppicing of hazel stools was also done.

The weather was lovely: a sunny Spring morning. Primroses, cowslips and bluebells were in flower, and we saw a brimstone butterfly. The wood was full of bird song: chiffchaff, wren, robin and nuthatch. 21 volunteers attended.



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**2 April 2024**

## **South Hill Park**

The task was to remove a number of box (*Buxus sempervirens*) trees from lengths of box hedging and transfer them to fill in gaps in the knot garden in the Italian garden. Some weeding was also done on the edges of the knot garden.

From 11:00 – 12:00 we held an Extraordinary General Meeting inside the South Hill Park mansion. BCV supplied coffee/tea for all volunteers. .

The weather was overcast but remained dry while we were working. It was mild for the time of year. 21 volunteers attended, we were glad to welcome a new volunteer..



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## Coming up next

**9 April 2024**

**Garth Meadows**

Task: bonfire and hawthorn cutting and some fence repair work

**16 April 2024**

**Bucklers Forest**

Task: conifer clearance and tree guard removal

## What's on

### *Friends of Nightingale Triangle*

#### **Work party at the Triangle**

**Saturday 6 April 2024**

**start 10:00**

Street parking in Firlands.

### *Wildlife in Ascot*

#### **Conservation work**

**Saturday 13 April 2024**

**09:30 - 12:30**

Conservation work at Allens Field – work to be decided. Please bring gardening gloves and wear sturdy boots/shoes.

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

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/seRhoQSrTEsyqWw2A>

### *Bracknell Forest Natural History Society (BFNHS)*

#### **"Black-Backed Jackals - unlocking the Secrets of their Success"**

by **Jack Merrifield**.

**Monday 15 April 2024**

**start 19:30**

**Recital Room, South Hill Park: £1 for members, £3 for visitors, pay on door, doors open about 19:15**

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