



# Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

Newsletter No. **203**

7 November 2024

## What we've been doing

**15 October 2024**

**Bucklers Park**

The task was gorse management, creating 5m wide fire breaks, using the cleared material to refill the dead hedge.

The weather was grey but dry with early morning mist. 20 volunteers attended.



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**22 October 2024**

**Circle Hill**

This was our first visit to this site, which is managed by Crowthorne Parish Council.

The tasks were:

1. Cutting back holly and laurel
2. Burning cleared material on a bonfire

22 volunteers attended. The weather was dry and mild, but overcast.



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**29 October 2024**

**Bucklers Park**

The main task was to continue preparation of the community garden area, finishing work on the raised beds and paths.

This comprised laying down weed suppressant membrane, laying woodchip on the paths and putting topsoil in the raised beds and using Mypex to cover the beds.

The weather was cloudy and damp, reaching 12.5°C, but there was no rain. 20 volunteers attended.



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## 5 November 2024

## Ambarrow Court

The tasks were:

- 1) To create a new access path, adding side boards and M4 gravel.
- 2) Clearing brambles near the main car park.

The weather was dull and overcast, but dry, and mild.

We had a good turnout of 23 volunteers. We were glad to welcome a new volunteer.



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## Coming up next

**12 November 2024**

**South Hill Park**

Task: clearing bramble and bracken in the South Woods.

**19 November 2024**

**Circle Hill**

Task: holly and laurel to cut and burn

## What's on

***Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT)***

**Sustainable Christmas trees - from your local nature reserves**

**Saturday 7 December 11.00 to 15.00**

**Edgbarrow Woods Car Park**

**Wildmoor Heath, Sandhurst Road, Crowthorne near RG45 7PP**

**The Scots pine trees are sourced from local heathland and nature reserves by the Wildlife Trust. These sustainably-grown Christmas trees are freshly cut the weekend of the sale and drop-resistant. Felling the trees helps with the heathland management and restoration.**

**Holly, pine cones and willow stars will also be on sale.**

**Come on down to Edgbarrow Woods Car Park, Wildmoor Heath on Saturday 7 December for your Christmas tree and other goodies.**

**All proceeds go to the Wildlife Trust – Berks, Bucks & Oxon (BBOWT).**

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BBOWT A4  
Christmas Trees post

## ***Wildlife in Ascot***

**Saturday 9 November 2024**

**09:30 - 12:30**

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

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

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/seRhoQsrTEsyqWw2A>

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