



# Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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5 December 2024

## What we've been doing

**12 November 2024**

**South Hill Park**

The task was to clear bramble, holly and bracken from an area starting at William Gladstone's holm oak, forming a triangle bounded by paths and a bat sculpture fashioned from a dead tree. Cleared material was put into bags.

The weather was sunny and cold. 24 volunteers attended.



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**19 November 2024**

**Circle Hill**

The task was to clear holly and laurel and to burn cleared material on a bonfire.

The weather was cloudy with showers, and it came on to snow later, but this did not settle. 22 volunteers attended



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**26 November 2024**

**Englemere Pond**

The task was to clear scrub from an area to the right of the main path to the pond. Cleared material was burnt on a bonfire.

We had a very good turnout of 26 volunteers. The weather was dry and mild with some sunny periods.



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**3 December 2024**

**Westmorland Park**

The task was to clear brambles down to the pond and open up the canopy at the rear of the pond. The aim was to join 3 ponds together.

The weather was bright and sunny but cold, below 10°C We had a good turnout of 23 volunteers.



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## Coming up next

**10 December 2024**

**Peacock Meadows**

Task: chestnut fencing.

**17 December 2024**

**Farley Copse**

Task: coppicing; holly and bramble clearance

**19:30 Christmas meal at Peacock Farm**

## 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***

### **Wildlife Quiz**

**Monday 24 February 2025**

**19:00 for 20:00 start**

**At The Stag, 63 High Street, Ascot, Berks SL5 7HP**

***Teams of up to 4, register interest by e-mail to Wildlife in Ascot  
"[ascot.wildlife@gmail.com](mailto:ascot.wildlife@gmail.com)"***

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