

# VOLUNTEER CONSERVATION WORKDAYS : NOVEMBER 2017 – FEBRUARY 2018

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<p>SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER <b>LIQUORICE PARK, LINCOLN</b> <i>Liquorice Park Trustees</i></p>	<p>Lending our support again to this valuable green space in the heart of Lincoln, we will be helping with its general upkeep. Tasks will include cutting back brambles, scything overgrown grass, trimming branches and removing unwanted saplings.</p>	<p>Meet at the western end of Alexandra Terrace, Lincoln Grid ref: SK 971 718 Contact: Jude 07770 742471</p>
<p>SATURDAY &amp; SUNDAY 11–12 NOVEMBER <b>NORTH YORKSHIRE WORKING WEEKEND</b> <i>National Trust</i></p>	<p>A weekend away in the delightful Yorkshire Dales. We will be staying at Town Head Bunk Barn, travelling on Friday evening. The work will be clearing laurel from woodland and probably having bonfires too. We will self-cater so if you like beans on toast you'll love this weekend*! Places limited to 13. (*Other food is available!)</p>	<p>Town Head Barn, Buckden, Skipton, BD23 5JA Travel arrangements to be confirmed. Contact: Jonathan 07708 016019</p>
<p>SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER <b>CROSS O' CLIFF ORCHARD</b> <i>Lincolnshire County Council</i></p>	<p>We will be helping the volunteer warden of this special 150-year-old orchard by clearing bramble, working on a boundary hedge and cutting down elder. If weather permits we hope to have a bonfire too.</p>	<p>Meet at the entrance on Cross O'Cliff Hill, Lincoln Grid ref: SK 975 688 Contact: Nicola 07900 805149</p>
<p>SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER <b>THURLBY WOOD*</b> <i>Private reserve</i></p>	<p>We have been working with the owner of this lovely ancient woodland for many years. We will be coppicing hazel in some areas and possibly planting some new trees. We will have a chance to check the trees we've planted on previous visits – apparently they are still alive!</p>	<p>Meet at the wood entrance Grid Ref: SK 848 862 Contact: Jeff 07813 919662</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 27 DECEMBER <b>BOULTHAM MERE</b> <i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>Our traditional Christmas task to encourage people to get up off the sofa and have a refreshing day outdoors. Bring along those surplus mince pies to share! Woodland management.</p>	<p>Meeting place tbc Contact: Richard 07814 414285</p>
<p>Coppicing is an ancient form of woodland management that involves repeated felling of stems from the same stump, near to ground level, and allowing shoots to regrow from that stump (the coppice stool). It produces lots of fast-growing timber without the need to replant so historically it was very important to local economies.</p>		
<p>SUNDAY 7 JANUARY 2018 <b>SCOTGROVE WOOD</b> <i>Forestry Commission</i></p>	<p>Our first task in 2018! We will be maintaining woodland glades as part of the group's own management project, now in its 12th year. Expect a bonfire and lots of chopping down of sapling growth to increase light in the margins of the wood.</p>	<p>Meet at the wood entrance next to Scotgrove Farm (Henry Lane) Grid ref: TF 130 698 Contact: Jeff 07813 919662</p>
<p>SUNDAY 21 JANUARY <b>BRIDGE FARM, SNITTERBY</b> <i>Private owner</i></p>	<p>We will be helping the private owner to cut back an overgrown hedge. It is on the boundary of a 9-acre certified organic field comprising grassland, an orchard and a willow bed. Southern marsh orchids grow here. It is also a hunting ground for short-eared owls.</p>	<p>Meet at Bridge Farm, Snitterby Carr, Gainsborough, DN21 4UU Grid ref: TF 018 947 Contact: Niamh 07789 834150</p>
<p>SUNDAY 4 FEBRUARY <b>TUNMAN WOOD</b> <i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>This is another site the group has been going to for many winters. We will be coppicing to increase light levels within the wood. This is a fantastic wood for bluebells and our work will help them and other flora and fauna to thrive. Meet at Whisby Nature Park to car share to the site.</p>	<p>Meet at the wardens' office at Whisby Nature Park Grid Ref: SK 911 633 Contact: Julian 07900 805049</p>
<p>SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY <b>THURLBY WOOD*</b> <i>Private reserve</i></p>	<p>Our second trip of the winter to help the owner with general coppicing to open out the rides and glades in the wood and again possibly some tree planting. A bonfire too.</p>	<p>Meet at the wood entrance Grid Ref: SK 848 862 Contact: Nick 07812 522418</p>

\* These tasks raise funds for the group