

VOLUNTEER WORKDAYS : NOVEMBER 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024

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<p>SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER</p> <p>THURLBY WOOD</p> <p><i>Private wood*</i></p>	<p>We'll be kicking off our new programme at this super privately owned wood. Our efforts are a valuable contribution to the successful upkeep of this wood which Colin, its custodian, has managed over many years. The day's work is likely to include coppicing and cutting back encroaching scrub for the benefit of wild flowers.</p>	<p>Meet at the wood entrance.</p> <p>Grid ref: SK 848 862</p> <p>w3w: overlaid.scramble.approvals</p> <p>Contact: Julian 07900 805049</p>
<p>SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER</p> <p>SOUTHREY WOOD</p> <p><i>Butterfly Conservation</i></p>	<p>Butterfly Conservation are running a day of coppicing in their reserve, located within Southrey Wood. There won't be a leader from our group so please contact Steve at BC directly for further info if needed. Tools provided; take your own gloves and food and drink. It is a usual 10am start.</p>	<p>Turn off B1190 into the track at</p> <p>w3w: rinses.munch.status.</p> <p>Park at w3w: attaching.locals.large</p> <p>Walk over footbridge to meet at work site at w3w: hoped.warbler.dripped.</p> <p>Contact Steve Green: 07928 053335.</p>
<p>SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER</p> <p>WOODHALL SPA AIRFIELD</p> <p><i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>A winter trip this time to this unique reserve which still has the original runway used during WW2 by Lancaster bombers. The expected work is removing scrub from the reedbed embankment area and possibly working in the reedbeds themselves.</p>	<p>Meet at the airfield, Woodhall Spa.</p> <p>Grid ref: TF 206 608</p> <p>w3w: copycat.disco.opposing</p> <p>Contact: Sophie 07891 846961</p>
<p>SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER</p> <p>WHISBY NATURE PARK</p> <p><i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>Today our work might involve removing birch and gorse that's swallowing up a fence line or working by Long Pond, clearing grassland of encroaching scrub. It should be enjoyable whatever we do and nice to spend time at a site which, amongst its attractions, is host to a fantastic spectacle of winter starling murmurations.</p>	<p>Meet at the warden's office at the park.</p> <p>Grid ref: SK 911 663</p> <p>w3w: group.darting.dumplings</p> <p>Contact: Jeff 07813 919662</p>
<p>THURSDAY 28 DECEMBER</p> <p>DIGBY CORNER</p> <p><i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>It is many years since we visited this small (one hectare) nature reserve close to Digby village. Our work will include raking up and burning cut bramble and other scrub that has grown up along the bank of a ditch running through the reserve and cutting back scrub that is encroaching on the limestone wildflower meadow.</p>	<p>Meet at the grass parking area by the farm track near the reserve entrance.</p> <p>Grid ref: TF 088 551</p> <p>w3w: rates.anchovies.bowls</p> <p>Contact: Jude 07770 742471</p>
<p>SUNDAY 7 JANUARY 2024</p> <p>BOULTHAM MERE</p> <p><i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i></p>	<p>A lovely, quiet, hidden-away spot on the edge of Lincoln, where we've enjoyed working in previous winters. We will continue the job of coppicing trees to open up the woodland and will have a bonfire to burn the brash.</p>	<p>To confirm. We'll probably meet in Farm Foods car park, Tritton Rd.</p> <p>Grid ref: SK 965 705</p> <p>w3w: mile.sands.square</p> <p>Contact: Steve 07842 966639</p>
<p>SUNDAY 21 JANUARY</p> <p>SCOTGROVE WOOD</p> <p><i>Forestry Commission</i></p>	<p>We will continue the work of previous winters, creating 'scallop' in the margins along the main rides in the wood. Keeping these areas clear lets more light reach the woodland floor. Brown Hairstreak butterflies in particular enjoy the conditions we help maintain in these areas.</p>	<p>Meet at the wood entrance just past Scotgrove Farm (Henry Lane)</p> <p>Grid ref: TF 130 698</p> <p>w3w: tags.built.reverses</p> <p>Contact: Jonathan 07708 016019</p>
<p>SUNDAY 4 FEBRUARY</p> <p>HARTSHOLME COUNTRY PARK</p> <p><i>City of Lincoln Council</i></p>	<p>We will be hedgelaying, helping to ensure that hedges in the Park remain in good condition and continue to provide cover and safe habitats for wildlife. A stretch of hedge that we laid earlier in the year has grown well over the summer. An ancient and enjoyable countryside craft.</p>	<p>Meet at Hartsholme Rangers Office (opposite café).</p> <p>Grid ref: SK 946 695</p> <p>w3w: gets.officials.mindset</p> <p>Contact: Julian 07900 805049</p>
<p>SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY</p> <p>CROSS O'CLIFF ORCHARD</p> <p><i>Lincolnshire County Council</i></p>	<p>Our group provides a great boost to Richard, the orchard's custodian, in helping with the more labour-intensive tasks that, on his own, would take him many days to complete! We will work as he directs and expect this will involve cutting back along hedge lines, bramble clearance and some supervised tree pruning.</p>	<p>Meet at the orchard entrance on Cross O'Cliff Hill, Lincoln</p> <p>Grid ref: SK 974 687</p> <p>w3w: carpentry.compound.discloses</p> <p>Contact: Nicola 07900 805149</p>

* These workdays raise funds for the group

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