

VOLUNTEER WORKDAYS : MARCH TO JUNE 2019

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SUNDAY 3 MARCH BRIDGE FARM, SNITTERBY <i>Private owner *</i>	<p>We will be planting a hedge in an area we helped clear last year. This 37-acre farm, by the New River Ancholme, comprises a 9-acre certified organic field, grassland, an orchard and a willow bed. The owner runs courses in cheese-making, apple tree grafting and basketry. Soup and bread will be provided for us at lunchtime.</p>	<p>Meet at Bridge Farm, Snitterby Carr, Gainsborough, DN21 4UX Grid Ref: TF 018 947 w3w: forge.grumbling.agreeable Contact: Jeff 07813 919 662</p>
WEEKEND OF 16–17 MARCH BRANSDALE, YORKSHIRE <i>National Trust</i>	<p>A weekend away in a newly refurbished water mill. We last stayed here in 2011. We will know the work details nearer the time, but whatever we do, it will be in lovely surroundings. We will just be working on the Saturday, with Sunday free for a walk. What's not to like?</p>	<p>Shared travel on the Friday evening, 15th March. Arrangements to be confirmed Contact: Jonathan 07708 016019</p>
SUNDAY 7 APRIL KIRKSTEAD OLD MILL COTTAGE <i>Private owner</i>	<p>We shall be helping the owner of this private nature reserve, located alongside the River Witham, with ongoing maintenance – clearing and burning brash, clearing footbridges and dead heading the many daffodils throughout the grounds – and probably having a bonfire. This year we will take our own food for lunch.</p>	<p>Meet at the cottage – LN10 6UQ Grid ref: TF 188 603 w3w: sharpens.readings.charging Contact: Julian 07900 805 049</p>
SUNDAY 21 APRIL SOUTH COMMON, LINCOLN <i>City of Lincoln Council</i>	<p>A welcome return to this 80-hectare Common, designated a site of nature conservation importance. Our last task here was in 2010! Details of the work are not known at present but will be appropriate to the time of year. It is a good place to see short eared owls hunting during the day.</p>	<p>Probably meet on Cross O' Cliff Hill – to be confirmed. Grid ref: SK 977 684 Contact: Nicola 07900 805 149</p>
Hedgehog Awareness Week 5-11 May 2019 (organised by the British Hedgehog Preservation Society www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk)		
SUNDAY 5 MAY HILLSIDE COMMUNITY GARDENS <i>Green Synergy</i>	<p>Our second visit to this 2.5 acre community garden created from unloved and overgrown land behind Lincoln Hospital. Green Synergy are creating wheelchair accessible areas and edible and therapeutic gardens and have a polytunnel. Expect seasonal garden tasks and possibly some garden construction too.</p>	<p>Meet at Green Synergy's office: 49 Roman Pavement, LN2 5RD Grid ref: SK 994 716 w3w: wiping.blues.poems Contact: Nick 07812 522 418</p>
SUNDAY 19 MAY MONKS WOOD <i>Nettleham Woodland Trust</i>	<p>We will be helping NWT with a variety of spring jobs at this community woodland, part of Ashing Lane Nature Reserve. Tasks may include mulching around trees, laying bark chippings on paths and some ride management. Lincolnshire Co-op volunteers may be joining this workday too. Last year's group photo showed 25 people were there. Can we beat that this year?</p>	<p>Meet at the reserve on Ashing Lane, just north of Lincoln off the A46 Dunholme bypass. Grid ref: TF 041 793 w3w: streamers.code.desktops Contact: Jude 07770 742 471</p>
SUNDAY 2 JUNE HARTSHOLME PARK, LINCOLN <i>City of Lincoln Council</i>	<p>We have offered our services for seasonal work, as yet unknown! In the past jobs have included clearing ragwort, building steps and working by the lakes helping to repair damaged edges. I'm sure amongst the 200 acres there will be some valuable work for us to do that will help keep this country park in good condition for its many visitors.</p>	<p>Meet at Hartsholme Rangers Office (opposite the café) Grid ref: SK 946 695 w3w:gets.officials.mindset Contact: Niamh 07789 834 150</p>
SUNDAY 16 JUNE FISKERTON FEN <i>Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust</i>	<p>Our annual visit to this smashing little reserve. Most likely we will be re-staining fencing, seating and signage and scything and cutting back growth to keep the paths clear. We will probably hold our AGM too. Enjoy your lunchtime sandwiches in some nice surroundings with bee orchids to be found for the keen eyed!</p>	<p>Meet at the reserve car park (near Short Ferry). Grid ref: TF 084 720 w3w:parkland.dinner.fans Contact: Jude 07770 742 471</p>
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