



Programme of Events 2011- workparties on 2nd Sunday of the month

Please pencil in a few dates to come and help.

No experience necessary.

For more information

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Date	Planned Activities	Meeting Point
Sunday 8 th May	Trip to RSPB Lakenheath Fen	Meet at Community Centre Car park – car sharing
Sunday 12 th June 10 am to 12 noon	Natterer's Wood Tree & hedge maintenance	Natterer's Wood Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 10 th July 10 am to 12 noon	AGM Woodland Ways Pond Hay rake & pond dipping	Moreton Hall Community Centre Meeting room And afterwards WW Pond
Sunday 14 th August 9.30 to 12.30	Natterer's Wood Wildflower meadow Hay rake	Natterer's Wood Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 11 th Sept	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Sunday 9 th October 10 am to 12 noon	Woodland Ways Pond Hay rake Sycamore Felling	Lawson Place car park (by Osteopaths)
Sunday 13 th November	Natterer's Wood Bee orchid count	Natterer's Wood Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 11 th December 10 am to 12 noon	Pond Covert/ Home Covert Path maintenance	Moreton Hall Community Centre Car Park

Events are subject to change so please check beforehand.
Weather, new needs etc can cause our plans to change occasionally

Information about work parties

The work parties last two hours but you don't have to stay to the end. We usually stop for coffee. Tools are provided. If you just want to stop by to say hello (or even shout words of encouragement from the path) we'd still be pleased to see you. Children are very welcome if accompanied by a responsible adult.



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For more information

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Have a look at our website, set up and regularly updated by Tim Smith

www.woodlandways.org.uk

Summer 2011
is definitely on its
way
and we've got plans for you
to get
out-and-about with
Woodland Ways
(see outings planned overleaf and



Woodland Ways is 10 years old this year.

We were delighted that the Mayor and Mayoress joined us for a birthday celebration at Natterer's Wood on a beautiful March morning. The mayor planted a commemorative oak tree before a large crowd of Woodland Ways members.

It's not all work, we've got some very special outings planned this year and everyone is welcome!

We've been on some outstanding visits with Woodland Ways and this year is the best yet!

- **RSPB Lakenheath Fen – Sunday 8 May**

In 1995 the RSPB converted some Lakenheath carrot fields into a large wetland of reedbed and grazing marshes. The reedbeds have attracted hundreds of pairs of reed warblers and sedge warblers, as well as bearded tits and marsh harriers.

Lakenheath Fen is now one of the best places in the UK to see Golden Orioles, and we might get a glimpse of cranes which nested here last year for the first time in the fens for 400 years.

Meet at the Moreton Hall Community Centre at 9am where we will arrange car sharing to travel to the fen where we will be met at 10am by a warden who will show us around. Bring binoculars if you have them and a minimum £2 donation per car. The walk will take about 2 hours. It's a great place to picnic or there are plenty of country pubs in the area for Sunday lunch.

- **Badgers at Flowton, Ipswich – Friday 13 May**

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Join us in the evening to watch badgers from a hide at Flowton. The exact time will be known on the Monday beforehand and will be announced then. Numbers are restricted and you must book with Jenny Green (tel 723857) and pay £7.50 adult / £2.50 child over 7 to secure your place. It will be fascinating to watch these striped omnivores only a few metres from us

- **Badgers at Flowton, Ipswich – Friday 20 May**

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

As Friday 13 May

- **Bradfield Woods - Sunday 19 June**

An afternoon walk around one of Britain's oldest woodlands and followed by this year's summer barbecue!

There is historical evidence of the wood being managed continuously since 1252 and we will be guided by site manager Pete Fordham MBE who has several decades of experience at the wood. Bradfield Woods is one of Britain's finest ancient woodlands and is a glorious haven for wildlife – a chance not to be missed.

Meet at Moreton Hall Community Centre at 1.30pm to arrange car sharing or arrive at the wood for the 2pm walk or get there at 4.30pm for the barbecue. £4 per person donation on the day.

This will be our summer barbecue in place of our August event so don't miss it! If you would like to bring a pudding, a salad and/or a bottle please contact Sue Gridley (tel 700046).

- **Sebert Wood School Family Fun Day- Saturday 25 June**

Please could some volunteers step forward to help on the day? Would you like to help to put up the new gazebo and/or take it down? Or could you spare an hour to represent Woodland Ways at our stall. People are very friendly at this event and it's a good opportunity to keep a presence in the community 12noon – 3pm.

- **and looking ahead...Fossils at Ramsholt Cliff, Deben Estuary**

Our Christmas party will involve mulled wine on the beach, a walk along the Deben Estuary near Woodbridge to Ramsholt Cliff, and a search for fossil sharks teeth. A pub nearby for lunch will need prior booking.