Woodland

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 please contact Nick 01284-723847 or Sue 01284-700046

Date	Planned Activities	Meeting Point
Sunday 9 th January	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
10 am to 12 noon	Path maintenance	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 13 th February	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
10 am to 12 noon	Hedge planting	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 13 th March	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
10 am to 12 noon	Hedge planting	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
<u>10.30</u>	<u>10th Anniversary Celebration</u>	<u>Please come & join us in</u> Natterer's Wood
Sunday 10 th April	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
10 am to 12 noon	Tree & hedge maintenance	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 8 th May	Trip to RSPB	Meet at Community Centre
	Lakenheath Fen	Car park – car sharing
Sunday 12 th June	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
10 am to 12 noon	Tree & hedge maintenance	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 10 th July	AGM	Moreton Hall Community Centre
10 am to 12 noon	Woodland Ways Pond	Meeting room
	Hay rake & pond dipping	And afterwards WW Pond
Sunday 14 th August	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
9.30 to 12.30	Wildflower meadow	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
	Hay rake	
Sunday 11 th Sept	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Sunday 9 th October	Woodland Ways Pond	Lawson Place car park
10 am to 12 noon	Hay rake	(by Osteopaths)
	Sycamore Felling	
Sunday13 th November	Natterer's Wood	Natterer's Wood
	Bee orchid count	Kingsworth Road/Arundel Close
Sunday 11 th December	Pond Covert/	Moreton Hall Community Centre
10 am to 12 noon	Home Covert	Car Park
	Path maintenance	

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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2011 is going to be special it's our 10th birthday and we are going places! (see outings planned overleaf and please book early to avoid disappointment...)

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Natterer's Wood Path Maintenance

We've been restoring the edges of the tarmac path for several months, cutting back the grass and weeds. It was a surprisingly hard task and we are grateful to Dwaine Gray and the Nowton Park volunteers for their help in finishing off the job.

The walk through Natterer's Wood is a popular route to and from town and the grass path from the bottom of Mount Road up to the tarmac path is now worn and muddy. During the 9th January workparty we laid woodchips on the worst bit which will make it a cleaner, less slippery walk. There was a very good turnout of volunteers on a sunny but chilly morning. We were very grateful for the coffee and biscuits provided by Gillian!

New members

A warm welcome to recent new members. As a small local charity, we always need new members, active or armchair supporters – so please spread the word to your friends and neighbours.

New opportunities

It's always nice to see new members at workparties even if you just stop by to say hello. But it's not all work, we've got some very special outings planned this year and everyone is welcome to come along. 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 this area of arable land into a large wetland of grazing marshes and reedbeds which have attracted many birds eg cranes, warblers, bitterns, golden orioles. You are invited to join us for a guided walk through the reserve.

• Bradfield Woods - Sunday 19 June

An afternoon walk followed by this year's summer barbecue! Bradfield Woods is a working wood that is unique as it has been under continuous traditional coppice management since 1252, fulfilling local needs for firewood and hazel products.



Bradfield Woods is one of Britain's finest ancient woodlands and is a glorious haven for wildlife. This is a not-to-be-missed chance to walk through the woods with site manager Pete Fordham.

Meet at the wood at 2pm or the Moreton Hall Community Centre at 1.30. The barbecue starts at 4.30 if you would like to come for that only; this will be our summer barbecue in place of our August event just for a change.

• Badgers at Flowton, Ipswich (date to be arranged)

A visit to the badger hide to get good close-up views of badgers as the sun sets. All welcome, but small children must be able to keep quiet for a couple of hours. Maximum of 16 people booking will be needed, and it will cost \pounds 7.50 per adult and \pounds 2.50 per child over 7.

• 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.

Even more opportunities

The Duke of Edinburgh award scheme aims to inspire, guide and support young people in their self-development and to recognise their achievements. Woodland Ways can offer activities to help young people to achieve a Duke of Edinburgh award.

Congratulations to Rebecca Evans and Luke Sibbett who achieved a DofE Silver Award in 2010. Thanks Rebecca and Luke for all your hard work and enthusiasm!

And last but not least...

Woodland Ways is 10 years old this year. Come and join us for a birthday celebration **Natterer's Wood** Sunday 13 March at 10.30am The Mayor and Mayoress will join us to plant a commemorative oak tree.