Join in Feel Good! A programme of Conservation Volunteering to improve local green spaces.



Norfolk Environmental Action Team April 2024

FREE Minibus leaves at <u>10am</u> from the Corner of Queens Road & Brazen Gate, by the traffic lights next to the big Sainsbury's car park, near Norwich bus station [what3words: single.affair.robe]. If you would like to get a lift from near UEA, please ask. **Booking is NOT usually needed** - just turn up on the day, unless you want to be sure of a place on the minibus for days marked **BM** below (book via <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> / 07740 899 691). See last page of this document for more information about joining these activities, including details about who can attend (most people). Sessions run from arrival on site (depends on traffic and travel distance) to 3.15pm on site, returning to central Norwich by 4.15pm.

Date	Site	Activity	Site Meeting Point (if coming by car or bike) at 10.15am unless otherwise stated
Mon 1 st	NO TASK	Pruning spaghetti trees. In order to ensure a good harvest, we need to prune the spaghetti trees on this specific day.	*** NO TASK TODAY ***
Tues 2 nd	East <mark>BM</mark> Ruston Poors Land	Will it be willow, will it be gorse, you'll have to wait and see (we hope it's gorse, it's gorse). Clearing scrub.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Wed 3 rd	East <mark>BM</mark> Ruston Poors Land	The mystery deepenswe still don't know whether we will be clearing willow (welly boots permitting) or small gorse.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.

Mobile number to contact us on the day: 07740 899 691.

Thurs 4 th	East BM Ruston Poors Land	Curiouser and curiouser, said Alice (and all the other volunteers curious as to whether it will be willow or gorse today).	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Fri 5 th	Drayton Green Lanes	To Sleeper, perchance to dream? The dream of a new set of steps for this lovely little site will soon be fulfilled	Small car park on Low Road, Drayton (near Norwich) (OS grid ref TG 189 126) [what3words: riper.customers.shatters] Arriving approx 10.20am.
Mon 8 th	Jolly trip 1 BM (8 SPACES)	The first of our treats for regular volunteers: chips all round and a little boat trip from Oulton Broad.	Booking essential, priority will go to our longest-serving volunteers. Please contact Mark Webster 07740 899 691 <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> if you wish to join us on site.
Tues 9 th	NO TASK	Sorry, no task today.	*** NO TASK TODAY ***
Wed 10 th	Jolly trip 2 BM (8 SPACES)	On The National (Trust) Express. Just our usual minibus, a trip to Oxburgh Hall (crisps and tea etc included).	Booking essential, priority will go to our longest-serving volunteers. Please contact Mark Webster 07740 899 691 <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> if you wish to join us on site.
Thurs 11 th	NO TASK	Sorry, no task today.	*** NO TASK TODAY ***
Fri 12 th	Bungay Falcon Meadow	Bridge of Scythes. Cutting nettles and dredging ditches.	Entrance to Falcon Meadow, Falcon Lane, just off Bridge Street / Ditchingham Dam, Bungay, NR35 2JQ. [what3words: estimated.upgrading.rapid] Arriving at approx. 11am on site.
Mon 15 th	Mulbarton Meadows BM	Green Grow the Grasses- OI'll sing you One-O, as we cut back the rank grasses around the newly planted trees here.	Co-op shop car park, Cuckoofield Lane (near junction with Birchfield Lane), Mulbarton, NR14 8BA. [what3words: playful.victory.trombone] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Tues 16 th	Jolly trip 3 BM (11 SPACES)	Let's all Muckleburgh in. Visit to the Military Museum: the nearest thing we have to a long-service medal for our regular volunteers.	Booking essential, priority will go to our longest-serving volunteers. Please contact Mark Webster 07740 899 691 <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> if you wish to join us on site.

Wed 17 th	Mousehold Heath	As easy as walking off a log. Making steps from very locally harvested tree trunks.	Car park in front of Zak's Mousehold Diner halfway up Gurney Road opposite the bandstand, Norwich, NR1 4HW. [what3words: sobs.deeply.charm]
Thurs 18 th	Mousehold Heath	Here comes the Hotstepper. Lyrical or not, all volunteers welcome to help finish building a set of steps.	Car park in front of Zak's Mousehold Diner halfway up Gurney Road opposite the bandstand, Norwich, NR1 4HW. [what3words: sobs.deeply.charm]
Fri 19 th	Drayton Green Lanes	The buck stobs here. Adding stobs to hold our new steps in place.	Small car park on Low Road, Drayton (near Norwich) (OS grid ref TG 189 126) [what3words: riper.customers.shatters] Arriving approx 10.20am.
Sat 20 th	Queen's Hills Community Park	Spring cleaning time? Tidying up our raggedy piles of brashings to give this lovely site that "looked after" feeling.	Car park by small waterworks on Alfred Munnings Road, between the Longwater Shopping Centre and Queen's Hills housing estate, Costessey, Norwich: nearest postcode NR8 5EY. [what3words: lows.science.remarking] Meet at 10am on site, sorry no minibus from central Norwich today.
Mon 22nd	Broadland Country Park	Under the boardwalk, down by the streambuilding the first steps towards a new nature trail.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Tues 23 rd	Broadland Country Park	A board walk for a broad land: boardwalk construction.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Wed 24 th	Broadland Country Park	Are you getting board yet? A third chance to help build this boardwalk through the woods.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Thurs 25 th	Broadland Country Park	Let the drain take the strain. Building a boardwalk and culverts to keep walkers' feet dry.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Fri 26 th	Broadland Country Park	All hands on decking: boardwalk construction continues.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.

Mon 29 th	Charter Wood	Give us the stools and we will do the job. Fitting mini-fences to protect coppice 'stools' from nibbling deer.	Draper Way near Craske Mews, Chapel Break, Bowthorpe, Norwich, NR5 9NG [what3words: amber.rebounder.cracker]
Tues 30th	Charter Wood	Stool pigeons (ha-cha-cha- cha). No need to turn the joint upside down, we are just protecting coppice stools with mesh.	Draper Way near Craske Mews, Chapel Break, Bowthorpe, Norwich, NR5 9NG [what3words: amber.rebounder.cracker]
Wed 1 st May	Broadland Country Park	If you are bored, you can walk! Boardwalk construction - the finishing touches.	Village Hall car park, B1149 Holt Road, Horsford, NR10 3DN. [what3words: credible.pave.entrust] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Thurs 2 nd May	Jolly trip 4 <mark>BM (11</mark> <mark>SPACES)</mark>	Full steam ahead for a blooming marvellous trip for regular volunteers to Bressingham for trains, plants and a museum.	Booking essential, priority will go to our longest-serving volunteers. Please contact Mark Webster 07740 899 691 <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> if you wish to join us on site.
Fri 3 rd May	Jolly trip 5 <mark>BM (11</mark> SPACES)	A Breckland Mystery Tour for our regular volunteers. In and around Thetford, perhaps both overground and underground	Booking essential, priority will go to our longest-serving volunteers. Please contact Mark Webster 07740 899 691 <u>mark.webster@tcv.org.uk</u> if you wish to join us on site.

BOOKING There is usually enough space for everyone on the minibus if we are working in or near Norwich, but for some longer trips the minibus might get full, please email or text Mark (details below) to be sure of a place on the bus. If you would find it helpful to ask us anything before coming on a project for the first time, please do contact us - see below. Otherwise, if you are over 18 and don't have any unspent convictions for serious crimes, you can just turn up and join in. If you are 16 or 17 you will need a parent or guardian to sign our permission form before you can get started please contact us if you need one. If you may be the form you will not be able to only our will not be able to volunteer with TCV (please contact us for a confidential chat if you need to check if this applies to you). <u>MEETING POINTS</u> If you would like a map, or directions to the site, please contact us. FREE Minibus transport is available from outside stated pick-up points only, returning to the same place at the end of the session. We do our best to keep to time, but due to traffic etc, all timings are approximate.

WE PROVIDE All tools and protective equipment are provided, please bring your own refreshments (drinks and a packed lunch) for the day. If a site has toilets this is indicated on the programme by 'WC' in the 'Site Meeting Point' column.

PLEASE WEAR Old work clothes, suitable for the weather. If you have them, please bring reasonably sturdy shoes or boots, and rainwear. We provide work gloves and everything else necessary for the task. You are advised to check if your tetanus inoculation is up to date.

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