



A programme of Conservation Volunteering to improve local green spaces. Join in whenever suits you.

Norfolk Environmental Action Team

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**Join us whenever you can, we do not require any regular commitment to**

**attend.** FREE Minibus leaves at 10am from the Corner of Queens Road & Brazen Gate, by the traffic lights and glass canopy next to the big Sainsbury's near Norwich bus station [what3words: single.affair.robe]. If you would like a lift from near UEA, please ask. **Booking is NOT usually needed** - just turn up any day, but to be sure of a place on the minibus for days marked **BM** below, contact [mark.webster@tcv.org.uk](mailto:mark.webster@tcv.org.uk) / 07740 899 691. See end of this document for more info, including details about who can attend (most people). Sessions run from arrival on site (depends on traffic and travel distance) to 3.00pm on site. If you do not need to get the minibus back, **you can leave whenever you need to** (just let the leader know). Minibus returns to central Norwich by 4.00pm. **Mobile number to contact us on the day: 07740 899 691.**

Date	Site	Activity	Site Meeting Point (if coming by car or bike) at 10.15am unless otherwise stated
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Salle (Farm Woodland)</b>	That's Salle folks! Hunting for Himlayan Balsam at this lovely peaceful spot, it's not finished yet...	Outside the church (St Peter & St Paul), The Street, Salle, near Reepham, NR10 4SD. (OS grid ref TG 109 248) [ what3words: solution.gathers.contemplate ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.35am.</b>
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Dunston Common NEW SITE</b>	Are we Dun here? No, we haven't even started here yet: there's paths to cut back and invasive balsam still to pull up.	Dunston Common car park, Stoke Road, Dunston, Stoke Holy Cross, just south of Norwich, NR14 8PF. (OS grid ref TG 227 025) [ what3words: rationing.plunger.petulant ] <b>PT</b>
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Smockmill Common NEW SITE</b>	Run of the Smockmill? Not ordinary, it's a lovely new site with path	Smockmill Common small car park, Cargate Lane, Saxlingham Thorpe, Newton Flotman, NR15 1TU. (OS grid ref: TM 218 980)

		work and balsam control needed.	[ what3words: jump.intruding.adopters ] <b>Arriving ~ 10.25am. PT</b>
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>The Forum (Central Norwich)</b>	Stall with activities at the Voluntary Norfolk Extravaganza event. Please come along and help us out!	The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich, Norfolk, NR2 1TF. Stall setting up from approx. 9am, event runs 10am until 3pm. <b>WC L *** Meet from 9.30am on site, sorry no minibus today ***</b>
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>East Hills Costessey NEW SITE</b>	If you see a crocodile, don't forget to scream! No row-row-rowing of your boat required, it's path work on dry land...but look out for the chainsaw sculptures...	Play area car park, Grove Avenue (between Farmland Road and Oak Close), Costessey, Norwich, NR5 0HZ. [ what3words: reader.kind.diner ] <b>WC PT</b>
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Oulton Broad Orchard Walks</b>	This Oult to have been done by now...cutting back along the paths, so that people can continue to enjoy this super little (but very varied) site.	Near the turning for Nursery Drive on Monckton Avenue (off Normanstone Drive near roundabout with Peto Way), Oulton Broad, NR32 3EG. [ what3words: brush.filed.sparks ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.55am. WC in Normanstone Park (opposite). PT</b>
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lyng Riverside</b>	Ro-Lyng with the Homies. Getting active at the activity centre, we are on patrol along the river for patches of invasive Himalayan balsam.	Car park by Sparham Pools nature reserve (marked only by footpath fingerpost), Lyng Road, near Lyng Village, NR9 5QY (OS grid ref TG 073 179). [ what3 words: hood.relegate.renewals ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.30am.</b>
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mousehold Heath</b>	I'm Bracking Britain. Wherever you are from, you can help with removing bracken	Car park in front of Zak's Mousehold Diner halfway up Gurney Road opposite the bandstand, Norwich, NR1 4HW. [ what3words:

		from a fine British heathland.	sobs.deeply.charm ] <b>WC next to Zak's PT</b>
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Queen's Hills Community Park PT</b>	Brack to habitat work. Pulling bracken, coppicing hazels, tidying up cut branches. And putting the finishing touch to our water harvester!	By small waterworks on Alfred Munnings Road, between Longwater Shopping Centre and Queen's Hills housing estate, Costessey, Norwich: nearest postcode NR8 5EY. (OS grid reference TG 153 117) [ what3words: lows.science.remarking ] <b>Arriving ~ 10.25am.</b>
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Hellesdon old Station</b>	You lucky, lucky people! It's the perfect day for Himalayan Balsam pulling down by the river.	Hellesdon abandoned train station, on Marriotts Way path, just west of Hellesdon Road, Norwich, nearest postcode NR5 8XN, OS grid ref TG 197 100 [ what3words: plans.larger.bars ]
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Drayton Green Lanes</b>	It's good to touch the Green, Green Balsam of Home. Tackling an invasive species.	Small car park on Low Road, Drayton (near Norwich) (OS grid ref TG 189 126) [ what3words: riper.customers.shatters ] <b>Arriving approx 10.20am. WC in Drayton Village via minibus at lunchtime.</b>
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>East Ruston Poors Land</b>	Brack in the USSR? Not that far East (or that far back in history) but the timeless task of bracken pulling and cutting.	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] <b>Arriving approx 10.45am. PT</b>
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lyng Riverside</b>	Ro-Lyng, Ro-Lyng, Ro-Lyng...Move 'em up, head 'em out! In fact use any methods to pull up the invasive Himlayan Balsam.	Car park by Sparham Pools nature reserve (marked only by footpath fingerpost), Lyng Road, near Lyng Village, NR9 5QY (OS grid ref TG 073 179). [ what3 words: hood.relegate.renewals ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.30am.</b>

Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>East Ruston Poors Land</b>	Brack in the old routine? Back to this Special Heathland for more of the same task of controlling bracken.	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] <b>Arriving approx 10.45am. PT</b>
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Drayton Green Lanes</b>	Green, Green Balsam, Blue, Blue Sky. Pulling up invasive balsam from this beautiful riverside spot.	Small car park on Low Road, Drayton (near Norwich) (OS grid ref TG 189 126) [ what3words: riper.customers.shatters ] <b>Arriving approx 10.20am. WC in Drayon Village via minibus at lunchtime.</b>
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Lenwade Riverside</b>	Another Brick in the Walcis. Tackling the Himalayan menace away from it all along the Wensum Way.	Outside Kelly's Bakery / Butchers / Fish and Chip shop, A1067 Fakenham Road, Lenwade / Great Witchingham, NR9 5AE. [ what3words: flight.bonfires.ignoring ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.30am.</b>
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Flordon Common</b>	Alder Small Things. We can't Blink now, we must face down the rest of the alder seedlings spreading onto the SSSI wetland.	Opposite gate marked "Harvey House", Norwich Road (north of Marsh Lane), Flordon, NR15 1RZ. (O.S. Grid Ref TM 181 974) [ what3words: sheep.apart.winter ] <b>Arriving approx 10.30am</b>
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>East Ruston Poors Land</b>	Brack again? Of Gorse we are! Removing small gorse seedlings from the scraped areas to save the heather.	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] <b>Arriving approx 10.45am.</b>
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lyng Riverside</b>	Like a Ro-Lyng Stone? How does it feel - to be gathering no moss, but plenty of invasive Himlayan Balsam?	Car park by Sparham Pools nature reserve (marked only by footpath fingerpost), Lyng Road, near Lyng Village, NR9 5QY (OS grid ref TG 073 179). [ what3 words:

			hood.relegate.renewals ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.30am.</b>
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Wensum Riverside (Norwich)</b>	You Wensum, you lose some? We may never get them all, but we are winning against the tide of balsam.	By the garages at the end of Sycamore Crescent (Sycamore Crescent is reached from Maple Drive, off Waterworks Road near the junction with Dereham Road) NR2 4HD [what3words:passes.thus.retire]
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lenwade Riverside</b>	If life gives you lemons, make Lenwade the place you come to tackle invasive Himlayan Balsam.	Outside Kelly's Bakery / Butchers / Fish and Chip shop, A1067 Fakenham Road, Lenwade / Great Witchingham, NR9 5AE. [ what3words: flight.bonfires.ignoring ] <b>Arriving at approx 10.30am.</b>

**PT** means petrol-powered tools likely to be in use for at least some of the day: extra ear defenders are available for you if you want them. All other tasks are expected to be done with hand tools so should generally be quite quiet.

**\*\*\* FREE bus travel for ALL days this month - tickets refunded for all volunteers for any bus journeys to and from either of our meeting points on the day \*\*\***

**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, if you wish you can email or text Mark (details below) to be sure of a place on the bus – this is especially advised on days marked **BM** above. 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 have unspent convictions** for sexual or violent offences, you 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).

**MEETING POINTS** 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, 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, unless a task is marked **L** above,

when lunch is provided from a nearby shop or takeaway. If a site has toilets available nearby this is indicated on the programme by '**WC**' in the 'Site Meeting Point' column (if this toilet is more than 5 minutes walk away we will go there by minibus at lunchtime).

**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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