

## Conservation Volunteering

Throughout the year, the Wildlife Trust BCN runs volunteer work parties which are of a physical nature but can be tailored to suit volunteers of all ages and abilities. For information of work parties in other counties or on other days of the week, please go to [www.wildlifebcn.org/work-parties](http://www.wildlifebcn.org/work-parties).

Most sites are away from towns, so bring a packed lunch and something to drink. You will also need to bring stout shoes, boots or wellies and should wear old clothes that may get dirty and worn. The Trust supplies all tools, training and supervision.

New volunteers are asked to contact the Trust to arrange an informal chat with one of our Reserves Officers prior to starting.

## Transport arrangements

Come and meet us at **Lings Local Nature Reserve** to be ready to leave at **9.25am on Wednesdays** and **9am on Thursdays**; the Trust office is sign-posted from Lings Way. We normally get back to Lings at around 4.00pm.

Alternatively you can meet us on site, but please telephone beforehand to confirm that you are coming and that the task is still going ahead at that location.

See our website, [www.wildlifebcn.org](http://www.wildlifebcn.org) for directions to our sites and more information about the Trust.

## PROTECTING THE COUNTRYSIDE

**The Wildlife Trust for Northamptonshire** is part of the Wildlife Trusts partnership, and is the only voluntary organisation in Northamptonshire wholly concerned with all aspects of the protection of wildlife in town and countryside. The Trust manages over 45 reserves in Northamptonshire, all of which need work to maintain and increase their value as important sites for wildlife and people.

We need volunteers to help with this management of our reserves. In return for your help, we will teach you traditional countryside management skills, such as fencing and coppicing. This gives you the opportunity to visit some of the best sites for wildlife in the county, while you are helping to improve your local environment. The Trust also runs Wildlife Training Workshops, which can be free for long-term, regular volunteers.

For more information about the work that we carry out, or about the Trust, please contact us by calling **(01604) 405285** or by writing to:

Lings House, Billing Lings,  
Northampton,  
NN3 8BE.



Bedfordshire  
Cambridgeshire  
Northamptonshire

## *Practical Conservation Days*



*Enjoy a day out  
volunteering with the  
Wildlife Trust in  
Northamptonshire  
April to June 2018*

## April

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Woodford Halse**  
Carrying out repairs to fencing and steps.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Woodford Halse**  
Continuing yesterday's task.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Barnes/Becks Meadow**  
Fencing repair work on this wetland reserve.

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Barnes/Becks Meadow**  
Continuing with yesterday's fencing.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Clearing clematis and birch from Stonepit.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Continuing with yesterday's work.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Lilbourne Meadows**  
Fencing on our newest reserve.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Lilbourne Meadows**  
Continuing yesterday's fencing.



## May

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Fencing repair work on this limestone grassland reserve.

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Continuing with yesterday's fencing work.

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Abington Meadows**  
Fencing on this urban wetland reserve.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Summer Leys**  
Fencing on this wetland reserve.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Barford Wood and Meadow**  
Fencing repair work on the parkland area.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Stortons Pits**  
Fencing repairs on this wetland reserve.

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Titchmarsh**  
Fencing repairs around the reserve.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Titchmarsh**  
Continuing with yesterday's task.

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Kingsthorpe Meadows**  
Fencing work around the meadows.

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Lings Wood**  
Maintenance around the woodland reserve.

## June

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> High Wood**  
Removing bracken and bramble on this acidic grassland reserve.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> High Wood**  
Continuing yesterday's task.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Ramsden Corner**  
Bracken clearance on this grassland reserve.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Ramsden Corner**  
Continuing yesterday's task.

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Ragwort clearance at this limestone grassland.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Old Sulehay**  
Continuing with yesterday's task.

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Collyweston Quarries**  
Bramble and small scrub clearance on this limestone grassland.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Collyweston Quarries**  
Continuing with yesterday's task.

***Please ring the Trust on (01604) 405285 before coming out as task details may be subject to change.***