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Date	Time	Location	Task	Lead / contact
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00	Maes Hiraddug, Dyserth	We plan to carry out our annual summer hay cut at Maes Hiraddug, weather permitting. There will be opportunity to practice scything around the magnificent ant hills where the machines won't reach!	Mike Klymko
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Maes Hiraddug, Dyserth	Hopefully we will be baling the grass cut last Friday and spreading some of the green hay with seeds on to a neighbouring meadow.	Mike Klymko
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Aberduna, nr Mold	Following our disastrous attempt at making hay at Aberduna (the rain beat us to the hay last week!), we have a lot of grass to pick up. SO we plan to pick up as much as we can with our mini baler to compost on site. Many hands will make light work!	Graham Berry
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Big Pool Wood, Gronant	Come and join our 'Big Pool Wood Volunteers' who meet on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month. This month we will be putting in footings for a new bird hide to be located on one of the islands overlooking the reed bed.	Mark Hughes
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Coed Y Felin, Hendre nr Mold	Picking up residual grass cuttings from the hay cut a week ago. Meet at the main car park.	Graham Berry
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Old Pulford Brook Meadows, Poulton near Rossett	Come and have a go using an Austrian Scythe when we'll be cutting areas of field margin on this species rich flood meadow as well as preparing the way for some new fencing that will enable grazing of the fields.	Graham Berry
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Coed Y Felin, Hendre nr Mold	We are well into the annual Himalayan Balsam bashing season this year and need to recce the Dolfechlas Brook for any patches of Balsam. Successive years of pulling have significantly reduced the balsam on this tributary of the river Alyn.	Mike Klymko

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Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Aberduna, Maeshafn, Mold.	Join the Aberduna Volunteers who meet every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday when we will be scything / strimming areas of species rich grassland and spreading the hay containing seeds of wild flowers to other areas of the nature reserve. Meet at the Aberduna office car park	Graham Berry
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	10:00	Minera Quarry, Wrexham	Come and join the Minera Quarry Volunteers when we will be cutting some of the poorer quality grassland areas using a combination of power scythes and Austrian scythes. If we get the chance we will collect seed from neighbouring areas to spread around.	Peter Aiken
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>			No Task – Bank holiday weekend	
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>			No Task – Bank holiday weekend	
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Minera Quarry, Wrexham	We'll be continuing our task cutting the grassland area	Peter Aiken
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>			No Task – everyone's on holiday sorry!	

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Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:30	Pisgah Quarry, Froncysyllte, Wrexham	Enjoy the commanding views over the Dee and Vale of Llangollen toward Castell Dinas Bran whilst we cut the calcareous grassland glade.	Graham Berry
Weds 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Minera Quarry, Wrexham	Come and help us maintain these special sites, we'll be undertaking a range of tasks including access improvements and scrub clearance.	Peter Aiken
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Coed Cilygroeslwyd, Meet Siop Pwllglas car park	Join in to help with our annual meadow cut using Austrian scythes, learn about the rare limestone woundwort the county flower of Denbighshire.	Mike Klymko
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	Graham Berry
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Marford Quarry, Wrexham	The Marford Quarry Volunteers will be returning to Marford after the summer recess. Jobs will include cutting some of the species rich grassland areas, clearing paths and pulling up ragwort.	Peter Aiken
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Big Pool Wood, Gronant	Support our 'Big Pool Wood Volunteers', meeting on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month. Water levels permitting – join the adventures of reed bed cutting to maintain areas of open water for over-wintering waterfowl.	Mark Hughes
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Coed y Felin, Hendre, Mold	Weather permitting, we'll be doing the annual cut of the limestone grassland area next to the main car park.	Graham Berry
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Minera Quarry, Wrexham	Come and help us maintain these special sites, we'll be undertaking a range of tasks including access improvements, grassland management and scrub clearance.	Peter Aiken

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Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	10:30	Y Ddol Uchaf, Afonwen	End of season scything session to manage the species rich grassland around the ponds.	Mike Klymko
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	10:00	To be confirmed	To be confirmed - Weekend task every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Graham Berry
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup>		To be confirmed	An end of the month catch up task to tackle 'the unexpected'. Contact us for more details.	Graham Berry
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Marford Quarry, Wrexham	Come and help us maintain these special sites, we'll be undertaking a range of tasks including, scrub management and creation of bare sandy ground to benefit rare invertebrates.	Peter Aiken
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