



North Wales Wildlife Trust Nature Reserve Work Parties North-West Wales October & November 2019

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with North Wales Wildlife Trust. With 36 nature reserves to manage throughout North Wales, there is always lots of work to be done and we would love you to come along and join us. This programme lists the volunteering opportunities & events taking place on our nature reserves in Anglesey, Conwy & Gwynedd & as part of our Anglesey Fens Living Landscape project. As autumn leads into winter, it's a great time of year to visit our nature reserves and discover why they are such special places.

In summary there is usually:

- Surveying or practical work on one of our Anglesey Fens Living Landscape sites (Llangefni, Benllech & Moelfre area). Lifts available from our Bangor Office. **Contact Henry Cook on 07940 008799 or henry.cook@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer work day every Wednesday on one of our Anglesey or Bangor reserves, 10 a.m. at the reserve – approx. 4 p.m. **Contact Matt Cole on 01248 351541 or 07375 520493 or matt.cole@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer work day every Wednesday at our Gwaith Powdwr reserve, near Penrhyndeudraeth, 10 a.m. at the reserve – 3.30 p.m. **Contact Rob Booth on 07764 897414 or rob.booth@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer work day every other Thursday on one of our reserves near Llandudno, 10 a.m. at the reserve – approx. 3.30 p.m. **Contact Rob Booth on 07764 897414 or rob.booth@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer work day at the Spinnies, Aberogwen, near Bangor, held on the first Friday of every month – 10 a.m. at the reserve until 1 p.m. **Contact Kate Gibbs on 01248 681936 or kategibbs.nwwt@gmail.com**
- A monthly work party at Eithinog, near Bangor, held on the 4th Friday of the month – 10 a.m. at the reserve until 3.30 p.m. **Contact Matt Cole on 01248 351541 or 07375 520493 or matt.cole@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- Gardening work days each month at our Bangor Office - Llys Garth, Garth Road, Bangor LL57 2RT, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. **contact Anna Williams on 07917 455367 or anna.williams@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**

Our work parties provide an interesting and lively mix of practical work and informal training. Each work day will consist of a brief introduction to the nature reserve and its management. There will also be some training in tool use and appropriate health and safety issues. **Details of the locations of our nature reserves can be found on our website www.northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk** Lifts can sometimes be provided. To arrange a lift, please contact the member of staff who is leading the task (contact details above). You will need to wear work clothes and stout boots/wellingtons and bring along waterproofs/sun cream and a packed lunch and a drink. We will supply work gloves & all of the necessary tools.

To confirm details, arrange a lift or to let us know that you will be meeting on site, please contact the relevant member of staff. This is important as details and dates may change. Thank you.

Thursday 3rd October, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Talwrn, Anglesey.

Meet at Tai Lon Newydd, Talwrn (GR: SH 48945 77189) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

Help to install a pond-liner so that the pond can fill with water over the winter. Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Friday 4th October, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Spinnies Aberogwen, near Bangor.

A variety of tasks around the reserve including scrub clearance and path repairs. Meet at the reserve at 10 a.m. Contact Kate for more details.

Sunday 6th October, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Trefriw, Conwy Valley.

Meet at Gower Road car park, Trefriw, GR: SH 782 630.

Fungus Foray! Identify and learn about the fascinating life cycles of fungi on this circular walk lead by Dave Prime. Contact Joan Prime on **07889 851300** or email

joanprime@icloud.com for more details and to book. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Donations encouraged.

Wednesday 9th October

Coed Porthamel, near Brynsiencyn, Anglesey.

Glade & woodland management to help maintain a diverse range of plants. Please contact Matt for more details.

and

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth.

A variety of tasks around the nature reserve. Contact Rob for more details.

Thursday 10th October

Rhiwledyn, Little Orme.

Gate and fencing repairs. Please contact Rob for more details.

and

Llangefni, Anglesey, **10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Meet at the church hall car park (GR: SH 45857 75908) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

Help open up the understorey of a woodland using hand tools and rakes. Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Friday 11th October, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Brynrefail, Anglesey.

Meet at the small car park by the A5025 in Brynrefail (GR: SH 48047 86894) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

Help thin out Ash trees in a planted woodland to make way for a wider diversity of trees. Bring sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Sunday 13th October, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Trefriw, Conwy Valley.

Meet at Gower Road car park, Trefriw, GR: SH 782 630.

Fungus Foray! An opportunity to identify and learn about the fascinating life cycles of fungi on this circular walk lead by Dave Prime. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Contact Joan Prime on **07889 851300** or email **joanprime@icloud.com** for more details and to book. Donations encouraged.

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Spinnies Aberogwen, near Bangor, **11 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Bird Watch Day! Come to the shore hide to identify birds and chat about the local wildlife with experts. Contact Kate Gibbs for more details. Donations encouraged.

Wednesday 16th October

Cors Goch, Rhuddlan Fawr, Anglesey.

We will be managing recent areas of tree planting on this part of Cors Goch. The trees were planted to improve the hedgerows and woodland areas. Contact Matt for more details.

and

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth.

A variety of jobs around the nature reserve. Contact Rob for more details.

and

Talwrn, Anglesey, **10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Meet at Tai Lon Newydd, Talwrn (GR: SH 48945 77189) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

Learn how to lay a hedge that is leggy and needs rejuvenating using a traditional method.

Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Saturday 19th October, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Eithinog, Bangor.

Meet at the entrance gate to Eithinog Nature Reserve, Ffordd Eithinog before Ysgol Cae Top, Bangor (GR: SH 563 713).

Fungus Foray! Identify and discover a variety of fungi including waxcaps, earth-tongues and fairy clubs at our Eithinog nature reserve. Donations encouraged. Please contact Anna for more details.

and

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth

Clearing water horsetail from the pond. Wellies essential! Contact Rob for more details.

Sunday 20st October, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Eithinog, Bangor.

Today we will be working with students from Bangor University. Come along & help us clear scrub as part of the grassland management. This will be a good opportunity to look out for colourful waxcap fungi. Please contact Matt for more information.

Wednesday 23th October

Cors Goch, Anglesey.

Heathland management to increase structural diversity on the Caban section of the reserve. Please contact Matt for more information.

and

Greenacres, near Porthmadog.

Today we will be clearing willow with the help of our friends and volunteers from the Snowdonia Society. Please contact Rob for more details.

and

Benllech, Anglesey, **10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Meet at Lower Wendon Car Park, Benllech, LL74 8QE.

Fungus Foray! Join us for an informative day of recording fungi under the expert guidance of David Winnard from Discover the Wild. Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Contact Henry for more details.

Thursday 24th October

Bryn Pydew, near Llandudno.

Mowing and raking the limestone grassland glades. Contact Rob for more details.

and

Brynrefail, Anglesey, **10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Meet at the small car park by the A5025 in Brynrefail (GR: SH 48047 86894) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

We will be opening up some overgrown ditches to help wetland species. Bring sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Friday 25th October

Eithinog, Bangor.

Scrub clearance as part of the grassland management as well as other tasks around the reserve. Please contact Matt for more information.

Monday 28th October, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Llys Garth, Garth Road, NWWT Bangor Office, Bangor, LL57 2RT.

Wildlife gardening work party in the garden at our Bangor office. Garden maintenance & work on the upper garden. Please contact Anna for more information.

Tuesday 29th October, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Benllech, Anglesey.

Meet at Lower Wendon Car Park, Benllech, LL74 8QE.

Scrub clearance at Glyn. Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Wednesday 30th October

Mariandyrys, Anglesey.

Scrub clearance as part of heathland/grassland management to maintain a diverse structure to benefit plants and invertebrates. Please contact Matt for more information.

and

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth, and nearby reserves.
A variety of tasks around the nature reserve. Contact Rob for more details.

Friday 1st November

Spinnies Aberogwen, near Bangor.
A variety of tasks around the reserve including scrub clearance and path repairs. Meet at the reserve at 10 a.m. Contact Kate for more details.

and

Brynteg, Anglesey, **10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
Meet at the California Hotel, Brynteg (GR: SH 49492 82543).
Clearing cut grass from a field famous for hosting the rare Frog Orchid. Tools and gloves provided. Please bring sturdy footwear and lunch. Contact Henry for more details.

Tuesday 5th November, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Talwrn, Anglesey.
Meet in at Tai Lon Newydd, Talwrn (GR: SH 48945 77189) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).
Clearing cut vegetation to manage this flower-rich verge. Bring lunch and sturdy footwear. Tools and gloves provided. Contact Henry for more details.

Wednesday 6th November

Cors Goch, Anglesey.
Heathland management on the Castell section of the reserve to increase structural diversity. Please contact Matt for more information.

and

Coed Crafnant, near Llanbedr, Harlech.
Today we will be clearing and checking nest boxes; checking boundary fences & carrying out essential ditch maintenance with the help of our friends and volunteers from the Snowdonia Society. Contact Rob for more details.

and

Brynteg, Anglesey, **10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**
Meet at the California Hotel, Brynteg (GR: SH 49492 82543) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).
Join us to plant up several small hedges helping to create wildlife corridors around the Anglesey Fens Living Landscape. Tools and gloves provided. Please bring sturdy footwear and lunch. Contact Henry for more details.

Thursday 7th November

Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws-y-Coed.
Scrub control on the wetland area and fencing repairs. Please confirm with Rob in advance.

Monday 11th November, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Llys Garth, Garth Road, NWWT Bangor Office, Bangor, LL57 2RT.

Wildlife gardening work party in the garden at our Bangor office. Garden maintenance & work on the upper garden. Please contact Anna for more information.

Wednesday 13th November

Cors Goch, Anglesey.

If weather conditions are favourable, heather & gorse burning may be carried out, if they are not, we will do gorse management work. Please contact Matt for more details.

and

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth.

A variety of tasks around the nature reserve. Contact Rob for more details.

Monday 18th November, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey.

Meet at Llanbedrgoch village hall (GR: SH 51057 80500) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

We will be clearing vegetation from an overgrown pond near to our Cors Goch nature reserve to create open water for amphibians and other wildlife. Tools and gloves provided. Please bring sturdy footwear and lunch. Contact Henry for more details.

Tuesday 19th November, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey.

Meet at Llanbedrgoch village hall (GR: SH 51057 80500) or lift offered from Bangor Office at 9.30 a.m. (Llys Garth, Garth Road, LL57 2RT).

We will be creating a new pond at the same site as yesterday to improve opportunities for amphibians. Tools and gloves provided. Please bring sturdy footwear and lunch. Contact Henry for more details.

Wednesday 20th November

Mariandyrys, Anglesey.

Scrub clearance as part of heathland/grassland management to maintain a diverse structure to benefit plants and invertebrates. Please contact Matt for more information.

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Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth.

Rhododendron clearance. Contact Rob for more details.

Thursday 21st November

Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws-y-Coed.

Scrub control on the wetland area and fencing repairs. Please confirm with Rob in advance.

Friday 22nd November

Eithinog, Bangor.

Scrub clearance as part of the grassland management as well as other tasks around the reserve. Please contact Matt for more information.

Saturday 23rd November

Venue Cymru, The Promenade, Llandudno, LL30 1BB

Lacey Lecture – Averting the Insect Apocalypse. Dave Goulson, specialising in bee ecology and author of the Sunday Times bestseller *A Sting in the Tale*, alerts us to the crisis affecting insects, the potential impact on the planet and what we can do about it. Enjoy refreshments, discover more about the work of the Wildlife Trust and pick up wildlife-themed gifts for Christmas. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Tickets cost £10 when bought through the branches or NWWT Bangor Office and £12 when brought through Venue Cymru Booking Office. Contact NWWT Head Office on 01248 351541 or e-mail info@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk to purchase your tickets.

Sunday 24th November

Cors Goch, Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey.

Join us on this weekend volunteer session with students from Bangor University. We will be carrying out various jobs to conserve the wetland habitat on this beautiful nature reserve. Please contact Matt for more information.

Monday 25th November, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Llys Garth, Garth Road, NWWT Bangor Office, Bangor, LL57 2RT.

Wildlife gardening work party in the garden at our Bangor office. Garden maintenance & work on the upper garden. Please contact Anna for more information

Wednesday 27th November

Cors Goch, Anglesey.

Scrub control on the wetland area. Please contact Matt for more information.

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Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth.

Rhododendron clearance. Please contact Rob for more details.

We would like to thank Natural Resources Wales for supporting our conservation management work.



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