



North Wales Wildlife Trust

Nature Reserve Work Parties in NW Wales - Anglesey, Conwy & Gwynedd

April 2026

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with North Wales Wildlife Trust. With 35 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. Now that spring has arrived, it's a great time of year to volunteer on our nature reserves and discover why they are such special places.

This programme lists the volunteering opportunities that are available throughout **April 2026** on our nature reserves in Anglesey, Conwy & Gwynedd. **If you wish to attend any of the work days, you must book ahead directly with the task organiser (their contact details are listed below). Thank you.**

In summary there is usually:

- 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 Luke Jones on 07764 897414 or luke.jones@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer work day every Thursday on one of our reserves near Llandudno, 10 a.m. at the reserve – approx. 3.30 p.m. **Contact Luke Jones on 07764 897414 or luke.jones@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 Matt Cole on 01248 351541 or 07375 520493 or matt.cole@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- 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**
- Work parties most Tuesdays at our Bryn Ifan site near Clynog Fawr, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. **Contact Dafydd Thomas on Dafydd.thomas@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk or 07940 008799.**

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** You will need to wear work clothes and stout boots/wellingtons and bring along waterproofs and a packed lunch and a drink. We will supply work gloves and tools. Please make sure your work boots or wellies are clean; biosecurity is an important part of our work - you can find out more on our website.

Wednesday 1st April

Coed Crafnant, Llanbedr, near Harlech. 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Filled with primitive plants and ancient oak trees, a visit to Coed Crafnant feels like stepping back in time to the ancient wildwoods of Wales. Today we will be carrying on with the removal of old sections of post & wire fencing which was originally installed around regenerating trees to prevent them being damaged by grazing animals. The trees are now established, and so the fencing can be removed. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 1st April

Sorry – no work party on Anglesey this week. Why not spend the day visiting one of your favourite nature reserves or join us at Coed Crafnant.

Thursday 2nd April

Dolgarrog Memorial Gardens & woodland in the Conwy Valley. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Park near the entrance to the Memorial Gardens, Conwy Road, Dolgarrog. Grid reference SH769676, What3Words: lectures.whiplash.series and nearest postcode LL32 8JR.

Today we will be working with staff from our Gwneud Traciau (Making Tracks) Project in Dolgarrog. This is a 2 ½ year-long project, funded by the Nature Networks Programme. It is being delivered by the Heritage Fund, on behalf of the Welsh Government. Today will be a mix of tree planting, footpath clearance and finishing off a section of hedge laying. Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend on susan.loughran@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk or 07943 137561.

Tuesday 7th April

Bryn Ifan, near Clynnog Fawr. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Today we will be working with Dafydd Thomas, our Bryn Ifan Project Officer, carrying out various jobs at our 450-acre site on the Llŷn Peninsula. Working in partnership with local farmers and communities, North Wales Wildlife Trust is managing Bryn Ifan for the benefit of people and wildlife. Today we will be doing a variety of jobs including fencing, improvements to the public rights of way and a reptile survey (weather dependent). Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 8th April

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth, Gwynedd. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

From 1865 until 1995 this site was home to a world-renowned explosives factory. North Wales Wildlife Trust took over the site when it was decommissioned in 1998 & since then nature has flourished. Today we will be carrying out various tasks around the nature reserve including work in our tree nursery. Depending on the weather, we might carry out a reptile survey. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 8th April

Mariandyrys, near Llangoed, Anglesey. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

This nature reserve lies on a rocky limestone outcrop that raises it above the surrounding area and offers stunning, far-reaching views all year round. In spring and summer, this site comes alive with wildflowers that thrive on this lime-rich soil. Today we will be carrying out scrub clearance on the limestone pavement and a reptile survey. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 9th April

Every Thursday we will be working on one of our nature reserves in the County of Conwy (10 a.m. until 4 p.m.). This includes our three nature reserves near Llandudno and Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws y Coed. Our work on these reserves can be weather dependent – we will always be working on one of them every Thursday, but the weather forecast will determine which one! We will confirm which reserve at the start of each week via WhatsApp, text message, etc. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Luke Jones. He will then contact you at the start of each week to let you know where we will be working.

Friday 10th April

Llyn Celanedd (Spinnies Aberogwen), near Bangor, Gwynedd. Morning only 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

A series of lagoons and surrounding habitat provide shelter & food for wildfowl, waders, and smaller birds, especially during the autumn & spring migrations. Today we will be carrying out a variety of tasks around the reserve including repairs to the bird hides & a litter pick along the shoreline. There will be an opportunity to do some bird watching so don't forget your binoculars! Meet at the nature reserve at 10 a.m. Contact Matt Cole for more information.

Wednesday 15th April

Morfa Bychan, near Porthmadog. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Morfa Bychan is a truly maritime nature reserve, allowing you the rare chance to experience the whole range of habitats within a dynamic dune system. Today we be carrying out a number of different jobs including bridge and fencing repairs, a litter pick along Black Rock Sands and, weather permitting, a reptile survey. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 15th April

Bryn Ifan, near Clynnog Fawr. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Today we will be working with Dafydd Thomas, our Bryn Ifan Project Officer. We will be working with a group of students from Bangor University carrying out a variety of jobs including fencing. Many hands make light work and so why not come along and join us. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 16th April

Every Thursday we will be working on one of our nature reserves in the County of Conwy (10 a.m. until 4 p.m.). This includes our three nature reserves near Llandudno and Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws y Coed. Our work on these reserves can be weather dependent – we will always be working on one of them every Thursday, but the weather forecast will determine which one! We will confirm which reserve at the start of each week via WhatsApp, text message, etc. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Luke Jones. He will then contact you at the start of each week to let you know where we will be working.

Tuesday 21st April

Bryn Ifan, near Clynnog Fawr. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Today we will be working with Dafydd Thomas, our Bryn Ifan Project Officer, carrying out various jobs around the site including improvements to the public rights and way; scrub clearance and fencing repairs. Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 22nd April

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth, Gwynedd. 10 a.m. until 4.00 p.m.

Our work focusses on maintaining the variety of habitats whilst protecting the history of the nature reserve. Today we will be carrying out various tasks around the nature reserve, including work in our tree nursery and weather permitting, we will carry out a reptile survey. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 22nd April

Cors Goch, near Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey. 10 a.m. until 4.00 p.m.

Cors Goch reflects a long history of human activity. Used by the local community for centuries, it is a place where cattle grazed, reeds were cut, and stone was quarried to make millstones. Discover the spectacular patchwork of habitats, each with its own unique character and array of wildlife. Today we will be carrying out a variety of jobs including fencing, timber extraction, and a reptile survey. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 23rd April

Every Thursday we will be working on one of our nature reserves in the County of Conwy (10 a.m. until 4 p.m.). This includes our three nature reserves near Llandudno and Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws y Coed. Our work on these reserves can be weather dependent – we will always be working on one of them every Thursday, but the weather forecast will determine which one! We will confirm which reserve at the start of each week via WhatsApp, text message, etc. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Luke Jones. He will then contact you at the start of each week to let you know where we will be working.

Friday 24th April

Eithinog, Bangor, Gwynedd. Morning only - 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Overlooking the Menai Strait on one side and with views of Snowdonia on the other, this is a much-loved wild oasis in the heart of Bangor. This is one of our monthly tasks to help us keep on top of site management. Our jobs today will include installing a boardwalk, checking cattle, and doing a litter pick. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 28th April

Bryn Ifan, near Clynnog Fawr. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Today we will be working with Dafydd Thomas, our Bryn Ifan Project Officer, carrying out various jobs around the site including improvements to the public rights and way; scrub clearance and fencing repairs. Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 29th April

Coed Crafnant, Llanbedr, near Harlech. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Filled with primitive plants and ancient oak trees, a visit to Coed Crafnant feels like stepping back in time to the ancient wildwoods of Wales. Today we will be working with our friends from Snowdonia Society, carrying on with the removal of old sections of post & wire fencing which was installed around regenerating trees to prevent them being damaged by grazing animals. The trees are now established, and so the fencing can be removed. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 29th April

Gwaith Powdwr, near Penrhyndeudraeth. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

For those people not wanting to go along to Coed Crafnant, we will also be working at Gwaith Powdwr in the tree nursery with our Tree Nursery Officer, Sarah Ellis. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 29th April

Cors Goch, near Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Today we will be doing a variety of jobs including a reptile survey, repairs to the boardwalk and footpath maintenance. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 30th April

Every Thursday we will be working on one of our nature reserves in the County of Conwy (10 a.m. until 4 p.m.). This includes our three nature reserves near Llandudno and Cors Bodgynydd, near Betws y Coed. Our work on these reserves can be weather dependent – we will always be working on one of them every Thursday, but the weather forecast will determine which one! We will confirm which reserve at the start of each week via WhatsApp, text message, etc. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Luke Jones. He will then contact you at the start of each week to let you know where we will be working.

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

