



North Wales Wildlife Trust

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

August 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. Summer is a wonderful 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 **August 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 Llyn Celanedd (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.**
- Work parties every Tuesday at Dolgarrog with our Gwneud Traciau Project, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. **Contact Sue Loughran on 07943 137561 or susan.loughran@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** 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.

Tuesday 4th August

Dolgarrog, Conwy Valley. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Meet at the Community Centre in Dolgarrog. What3words: measuring.froth.heightens; Postcode: LL32 8JU.

Today we will be working with 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.

Our work today involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial Gardens and woodlands and helping contractors with fencing and step installation. Many hands make light work and so it would be great if you could come along and join us. Don't worry if you can't stay all day – any help is welcome! Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

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Tuesday 4th August

Bryn Ifan, near Clynog 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. We will be doing a variety of farm conservation, maintenance and survey work. Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 5th August

Sorry – no work party at Gwaith Powdwr this week.

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Wednesday 5th August

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 cutting firebreaks in the fen. It's a great opportunity to learn how to use an Austrian scythe. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 6th August

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! 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 7th August

Llyn Celanedd (Spinnies Aberogwen), near Bangor, Gwynedd. **Morning session only 10 a.m. until 1.30 p.m.** Meet at our nature reserve at 10 a.m. Lifts may be available from our Bangor Office, leaving at around 9.30 a.m.

The series of lagoons and surrounding habitat at Llyn Celanedd 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 nature reserve including cutting and raking the meadows, cutting back footpaths, tidying the bird hides and doing a litter pick along the shoreline. Contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend and if you would like a lift from our Bangor Office.

Tuesday 11th August

Dolgarrog, Conwy Valley. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Meet at the Community Centre in Dolgarrog. What3words: measuring.froth.heightens; Postcode: LL32 8JU.

Today we will be working with our Gwneud Traciau (Making Tracks)

Project in Dolgarrog carrying out various conservation tasks including the removal of invasive, non-native plants (cherry laurel, cotoneaster and Himalayan Balsam) and helping contractors with fencing and step building work. It would be great if you could come along and join us. Don't worry if you can't stay all day – any help is welcome! Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 12th August

Caeau Tan-y-bwlch, near Clynnog Fawr, 10.00 a.m. until 1.00 p.m. Meet at the reserve's small car park: SH 766 597.

Austrian scythe training course. An opportunity to learn the traditional art of scything using an Austrian scythe. It's very relaxing work and so much quieter than using a strimmer! Help us manage our wonderful flower-rich meadows on this beautiful nature reserve, whilst learning a new skill. **No experience required but booking is essential as places are limited. Please contact Luke Jones to book your place (contact details on Page 1 of this work programme).**

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Wednesday 12th August

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

The complex geology and wealth of different habitats make Cors Goch one of Wales's most diverse, colourful nature reserves & part of an internationally significant network of fens in Anglesey. **For any budding botanists out there, today we will be carrying out our annual Marsh Gentian count.** This is one of the key botanical species on the nature reserve. We'll also be cutting firebreaks on the fen using Austrian scythes. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

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Tuesday 18th August

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. We will be doing a variety of farm conservation, maintenance and survey work. Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

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Our work today involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial Gardens and woodland, maintaining footpaths and carrying out step building and revetment work. Don't worry if you can't stay all day – any help is welcome! Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 19th August

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 the tree nursery, footpath maintenance and the removal of invasive non-native plants. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 19th August

Sorry no work party on Anglesey today as we're hoping to be hay making!

Thursday 20th August

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.

Our work today involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial Gardens and woodland, maintaining footpaths and carrying out step building, waymarking and revetment work. Don't worry if you can't stay all day – any help is welcome! Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 25th August

Dolgarrog, Conwy Valley. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Meet at the Community Centre in Dolgarrog. Grid reference: SH769673; What3words: measuring.froth.heightens; Postcode: LL32 8JU.

We will be working with our Gwneud Traciau (Making Tracks) Project in Dolgarrog today. Our work involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial Gardens and woodland, maintaining footpaths and carrying out step building, waymarking and revetment work. Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 25th August

Sorry – no work party at Bryn Ifan this week.

Wednesday 26th August

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 working with Sarah Ellis, our Tree Nursery Officer, carrying out various jobs in the tree nursery. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 26th August

Sorry – no work party on Anglesey this week. Next work party on 2nd September.

Thursday 27th August

Dolgarrog, 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.

We will be working with our Gwneud Traciau (Making Tracks) Project in Dolgarrog today. Our work involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial gardens and woodland, maintaining footpaths and carrying out step building, waymarking and revetment work. Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

Friday 28th August

Sorry – no work party at Eithinog today.

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

