



North Wales Wildlife Trust Nature Reserve Work Parties in NE Wales (Denbighshire, Flintshire & Wrexham) September 2026

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with North Wales Wildlife Trust. With 35 nature reserves to manage across 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 **September 2026** on our nature reserves in Denbighshire, Flintshire & Wrexham. You can also volunteer at our tree nurseries in NE & NW Wales and with our Wrexham Industrial Estate Living Landscape Project - see below for more information.

Our work parties provide an interesting and lively mix of practical work and informal training. **Details of the locations of our nature reserves can be found on our website** www.northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk Please wear work clothes and stout boots/wellies and bring waterproofs and a packed lunch. We will supply work gloves & 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.

In summary, there is usually:

- A volunteer workday every Tuesday & Friday on one of our nature reserves in NE Wales. **Contact Carl Williams on 07946 089179 or carl.williams@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk or Paul Furnborough on 07880 033562 or Paul.furnborough@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk or Jordan Vigus-Hurst on 07764 897416 or Jordan.Vigus-Hurst@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- A volunteer workday at Minera or Marford Quarry (Wrexham area) on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month. **Contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst on 07764 897416 or Jordan.Vigus-Hurst@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk**
- Opportunities to volunteer with Sarah Ellis in our tree nurseries in NE & NW Wales. **Please contact Sarah Ellis on 07494 962909 or sarah.ellis@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk** for more information about how you can get involved.
- Work parties every Thursday at Wrexham Industrial Estate with our Living Landscapes Officer, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. **Contact Craig Wade on 07946 089178 or craig.wade@northwaleswildlifetrust.org.uk** for more information.

If you wish to attend any of the volunteer workdays, you must book ahead directly with the task organiser (contact details listed above). Thank you.

Tuesday 1st September

Ddôl Uchaf, (near Afonwen). 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet in the reserve car park – overspill parking is available in laybys along the Mold to Denbigh road (A541) which runs beside the reserve.

Today we'll be joined by Matt Cole, one of our NW Reserves Officers, to tackle some tree safety work, along with finishing bridge repairs. Please contact Paul Furnborough if you would like to attend.

Thursday 3rd September

Wrexham Industrial Estate mitigation site. 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Join us every Thursday for a volunteer workday and get stuck into practical conservation work at two remarkable sites hidden within the Wrexham Industrial Estate. In partnership with Wrexham County Borough Council, Enfys Ecology, Amphibian and Reptile Conservation, and Butterfly Conservation, we manage the HMP Berwyn mitigation site. This is a rarely seen haven for wildlife and home to species such as grizzled skipper butterflies and newts, as well as the wonderful Erlas Black Wood, an ancient woodland at the heart of an urban landscape.

Today we will continue pushing back encroaching scrub, scything, and tree popping in the meadows. Please contact Craig Wade if you would like to attend and to confirm the meeting point.

Friday 4th September

Pisgah Quarry. 10 a.m. until 3 30 p.m. Meet in the small car park at the end of Pleasant View. Parking is limited, so please car share where possible.

We are returning to this small yet charming nature reserve to scythe and rake the lovely grassland glade. We will also be carrying out some woodland thinning.

Please contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 8th September

Cors y Sarnau, Sarnau, near Bala. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet in Sarnau village.

Our regular monthly visit to this reserve. Today we're back to take on scrub clearance and we're stronger than ever! #NoTreeLeftBehind! Please contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 9th September

Marford Quarry, near Wrexham. Meet in the accessible car parking area off Springfield Lane (What3Words: creatures.galloping.spooked). 10 a.m. until 3.30p.m. Our Minera Quarry & Marford Quarry volunteers meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month. Why not join them and witness the incredible power of nature as it slowly reclaims these former quarries into wildlife havens? Today we will be working at Marford Quarry – a sandy nature reserve – managing the site for its many rare invertebrate species. Today we will be removing invasive saplings and evening primrose from across the nature reserve. Please contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst if you would like to attend.

Thursday 10th September

Wrexham Industrial Estate: Village Bakery. 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Join us every Thursday for a volunteer workday and get stuck into practical conservation work on different wildlife-rich sites within the Wrexham Industrial Estate. Today we will be scything and raking the meadow at Village Bakery to create a mosaic of different sward heights – brushcutters may also be used. Please contact Craig Wade if you would like to attend and to confirm the meeting point.

Friday 11th September

Graig Wyllt, 3 miles SE of Ruthin on the B5429. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet at the Three Pigeons Inn at 10 a.m., or if you are familiar with the reserve, feel free to head straight to the reserve entrance (What3Words: escorting.increment.sits) and we will meet you there at 10.15 a.m.

Today we return to this wonderful nature reserve to manage some of the important 'edge habitats' across the small glades and woodland edges. Please contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 15th September

Gors Maen Llwyd, near Llyn Brenig. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m.

A return to the moors! We will restart our programme of self-seeded sitka removal from the nature reserve. Many hands make light work and today we'll be joined by a group of corporate volunteers. Please contact Paul Furnborough if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 16th September

Big Pool Wood, 2.5 miles east of Prestatyn. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Parking off the road, close to the reserve entrance. Meet at the entrance to the nature reserve.

A wonderful reed bed and woodland site filled with wildflowers, birdsong and bird hides that allow you to get closer to wildlife.

Join our Big Pool Wood volunteer team for our new monthly management session, every third Wednesday of the month. Autumn & winter tasks will focus on reedbed management, but there's always a range of jobs to do – path clearing, hide and boardwalk maintenance, willow control & lots more! Please contact Paul Furnborough if you would like to attend.

Thursday 17th September

Wrexham Industrial Estate mitigation site. 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Join us every Thursday for a volunteer workday and get stuck into practical conservation work on wildlife-rich sites within the Wrexham Industrial Estate. Today we will be creating new access points and cutting back encroaching shrubs. Please contact Craig Wade if you would like to attend and to confirm the meeting point.

Friday 18th September

Aberduna nature reserve, Maeshafn, near Mold. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet at the office car park.

Aberduna is a striking 20-hectare nature reserve offering stunning views across the Alyn Valley to Moel Famau & the Clwydian Range. Today we will be scything the grassland in the wildlife garden and green spaces around the office buildings and car park. Please contact Carl Williams if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 22nd September

Coed y Felin, Hendre, near Mold. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet in the large car park: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sMwyyTmA4iZJvzSg9>

Coed y Felin is an ancient oak/ash woodland planted with sycamore, beech, and sweet chestnut. The woodland has a long post-industrial heritage, and its timber has been used to support the local mining village for centuries. This peaceful woodland & sunny grassland areas are filled with colour & life, including the nationally rare Deptford pink and dozens of other wildflowers.

Today we will be scything the Deptford pink slope after the long hot summer. Please contact Carl Williams if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 23rd September

Minera Quarry, Coedpoeth, near Wrexham. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet in the nature reserve car park.

Today we will be working at this former limestone quarry and it's a great opportunity to practice the traditional art of scything. We'll be undertaking annual management of our wildflower-rich meadows. Please contact Jordan Vigus-Hurst if you would like to attend.

Thursday 24th September

Wrexham Industrial Estate mitigation site. Erlas Black Wood. 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Join us every Thursday for a volunteer workday and get stuck into practical conservation work at wildlife-rich sites hidden within the Wrexham Industrial Estate.

Today we will make a start on some woodland management work, cutting back encroaching brambles. Please contact Craig Wade if you would like to attend and to confirm the meeting point.

Friday 25th September

Coed y Felin, Hendre, near Mold. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. **Meet in the small car park.**

September is the month for scything and today we will continue cutting and raking the grassland in the small field. Please contact Carl Williams if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 29th September

Coed y Felin, Hendre, near Mold. 10 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Meet in the large car park: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sMwyyTmA4iZJvzSg9>

Another day of scything! Today we will be working in the wildflower meadows behind the main car park. Please contact Carl Williams if you would like to attend.

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

