

North Wales Wildlife Trust

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

November 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. Autumn 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 **November 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 3rd November

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.

Today we will be working in Coed Dolgarrog, doing a **nibbled nut survey – looking out for hazel nuts which have been nibbled by the elusive – and very cute – dormouse!** Some walking uphill is involved and so please wear appropriate footwear. Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

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Tuesday 3rd November

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.

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 farm conservation, maintenance, and survey work. Please contact Dafydd Thomas if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 4th November

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 4th November

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. Today we'll be doing heathland management work. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 5th November

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 6th November

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 including reed cutting and having a general tidy up on the nature reserve. There will be an opportunity to do some bird watching so don't forget your binoculars! Contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend and if you would like a lift from our Bangor Office.

Tuesday 10th November

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. Today we will be working in Gwydyr Forest, removing invasive conifers and rhododendron. 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 11th November

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 out various jobs including halo thinning - a woodland operation which retains space and light around our old oak trees. This is beneficial for the trees and for the wildlife that lives in the many niches that these ancient trees provide. We may also carry out maintenance work on the tree guards which are protecting regenerating oak trees up on the ffridd. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 11th November

Cors Goch, near Llanbedrgoch, Anglesey. 10 a.m. until 4 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. Today we'll continue with our heathland management work.

Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 12th November

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Tuesday 17th November

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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Tuesday 17th November

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.

Our work today involves removing invasive, non-native plants from the Memorial Gardens and Coed Dolgarrog National Nature Reserve and maintaining & clearing footpaths. 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 18th November

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 heathland management. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

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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 on with our heathland management work. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

Thursday 19th November

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 Coed Dolgarrog National Nature Reserve and maintaining and clearing footpaths. Please contact Sue Loughran if you would like to attend.

Tuesday 24th November

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.

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Wednesday 25th November

Caeau Pen y Clip, Menai Bridge, Anglesey. 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Surrounded by agriculture and urban housing, these wildflower-rich fields and mature hedgerows create a haven for wildlife. The grassland is studded with flowers during spring and summer, with bright yellow bird's-foot trefoil amongst the purples of common spotted-orchids and knapweed. Wetter areas are covered in the green spikes of rushes, sprinkled with white tufts of meadowsweet. Today we will be coppicing willow. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

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Wednesday 25th November

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 with our Tree Nursery Officer, Sarah Ellis. Please contact Luke Jones if you would like to attend.

Thursday 26th November

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 27th November

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 our monthly task to help us keep on top of site management. Today we will be carrying out various jobs including scrub clearance, checking the cattle and fence lines, and carrying out a litter pick. Please contact Matt Cole if you would like to attend.

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

