# Sutton Nature Conservation Volunteers Task Programme March 2015 to June 2015

To book onto Biodiversity Team events, use the online portal: <a href="http://37.188.117.158/suttonecology/">http://37.188.117.158/suttonecology/</a> or for directions to events, drop us an email: <a href="mailto:biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk">biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk</a> (Monday to Friday)

Call 020 8770 5821 or email sncvvolunteers@hotmail.co.uk for additional information on our work

Don't forget: tasks are held at Sutton Ecology Centre every Wednesday of normal task weeks: 10 - 4pm!

### **MARCH**



Goat willow

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Queen Mary's Woodland Invasive species control

**Tuesday 3**<sup>rd</sup> Frogs by Torchlight
Sutton Ecology Centre 5.45 – 7pm. Find out more
about our amphibious friends and look for mating frogs
by torchlight. Suitable for: children 3 yrs+. Cost: £3.50
per child. Booking: essential!

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Roundshaw Woods Invasive species removal

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Spencer Road Wetlands Call Norman Jones, LWT Task Leader, for details on 020 8286 1874

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Carew Manor Wetlands
Call Ron Kriehn for details on 020 8395 7231

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Queen Mary's Woodland Site maintenance

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Beddington Farmlands
Tree sparrow nestboxes / site maintenance

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Sutton Ecology Centre Volunteer at SEC carrying out practical work in the grounds. Call Mark on 07872 510 122

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Roundshaw Woods**Snowberry bashing & site maintenance

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> SNCV Open Meeting Sutton Ecology Centre 7:30-930pm Come and join the discussion about current issues and future plans to 'Help Wildlife on Sutton's Doorstep'

**Thursday 19**<sup>th</sup> **Action Day** Dealing with any outstanding work

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> London Road Edge
Path clearance

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>** Carshalton Road Pastures Path cutting / mowing

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Wilderness Island Contact Derek Coleman, LWT Task Leader on 020 8669 7421

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>**Spring meadow cut

The Warren

### **APRIL**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Queen Mary's Woodland Site maintenance

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Spencer Road Wetlands Call Norman Jones, LWT Task Leader, for details on 020 8286 1874

**Tuesday 7**<sup>th</sup> **Wellfield East & West** Spring meadow cuts

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>** Avenue Primary / DANA Spring meadow cuts

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Carew Manor Wetlands
Call Ron Kriehn for details on 020 8395 7231

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Sutton Ecology Centre Volunteer at SEC carrying out practical work in the grounds. Call Mark on 07872 510 122

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Carew Manor Wetlands**Spring cut to the meadow & island

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Roundshaw Downs
Cutting the restoration area in the SE corner

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Anton Crescent Wetland Spring meadow cut & duckweed control

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sutton Common**Spring meadow cut to the scrape & hay rattle areas

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Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Wilderness Island Contact Derek Coleman, LWT Task Leader

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Wellfield South

Spring meadow cut

on 020 8669 7421

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Wellfield South

Finishing the spring meadow cut

#### **MAY**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Spencer Road Wetlands Call Norman Jones, LWT Task Leader, for details on 020 8286 1874

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dawn Chorus Walk Beddington Park Pavilion cafe 5am-7am. Improve your bird call and song recognition with an early morning stroll to nature's symphony. We will start and finish at the Pavilion Cafe, where you can purchase a breakfast bap & large hot drink of your choice for £4.95. Food & drinks must be booked in advance:

mailto:biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk. Cost: £4.50 per person. Suitable for. everyone that can get up that early! Booking: essential!

**Tuesday 5**<sup>th</sup> **Roundshaw Woods**Path maintenance and snowberry control

**Thursday 7**<sup>th</sup> **Kimpton Balancing Pond** Spring meadow cut

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>** Carew Manor Wetlands Call Ron Kriehn for details on 020 8395 7231

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Belmont Pastures**Path maintenance and spring cut to the scrape

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> SNCV Open Meeting Sutton Ecology Centre 7:30-930pm Come and join the discussion about current issues and future plans to 'Help Wildlife on Sutton's Doorstep'

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Wellfield 'C3' Spring meadow cut

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Bat Walk Whitehall Museum, Cheam. 8:50pm – 11pm. Bats have come out of their winter hibernation and are busy feeding to make up for losing body reserves over the cold winter months. We'll use bat detectors to explore the world of these fascinating nocturnal creatures. *Cost*: £tba per person. *Suitable for*: all. *Booking*: essential! For all enquiries and bookings, please call Whitehall Museum on 020 86431236 or email: whitehallmuseum@sutton.gov.uk

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Sutton Ecology Centre Volunteer at SEC carrying out practical work in the grounds. Call Mark on 07872 510 122

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Anton Crescent Wetland Duckweed control

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Therapia Lane Rough Maintenance of restoration areas

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** Roundshaw Downs Targeted mowing of problem vegetation

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue Primary / Cuddington** Spring meadow cut and path clearance

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Wilderness Island Contact Derek Coleman, LWT Task Leader on 020 8669 7421

#### JUNE

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Carshalton Road Pastures / Victoria Avenue

Path clearance & vegetation control

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Beddington Farmlands** Himalayan balsam removal

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Spencer Road Wetlands
Call Norman Jones, LWT Task Leader, for details
on 020 8286 1874

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Wellfield 'C3' & South** Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G04, CGRA)

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Sutton Common** Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G06)

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Carew Manor Wetlands
Call Ron Kriehn for details on 020 8395 7231

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Warren / Belmont Pastures**Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G06, G04, CGRA)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Away Day Join us for a trip to see some great wildlife sites

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Grasses & Meadows Study
Day

**Sutton Ecology Centre 10am-4pm.** A structured classroom session looking at the key features of flowering and vegetative grasses, their ecology and conservation, followed by a field trip to practice ID skills. *Cost.* £15 per person. *Suitable for.* Adults 16+. *Booking:* essential!

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Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Sutton Ecology Centre

Volunteer at SEC carrying out practical work in the grounds. Call Mark on 07872 510 122

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Carew Manor Wetland** Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G06)

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Kimpton Balancing Pond** Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G06)

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Wildflowers Study Day
Sutton Ecology Centre 10am-4pm. A structured
classroom session on common wildflower groups, their
ecology and conservation and then a field trip to practice
ID skills. Cost. £15 per person. Suitable for. Adults 16+.
Booking: essential!

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Carshalton Road Pastures**Botanical surveys (Phase 1, G04, CGRA)

# **Task Details**

Midweek tasks run from **10:00** to **16:00**. If you are interested in joining us for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, or we haven't seen you for a while, please give Mark or Dave a call to update your details.

If you require a lift, please meet at the Ecology Centre at **09:40** in order to help load tools and equipment into the minibus. You are also welcome to join us on site but you **need to inform us before you set off**, as sometimes circumstances lead to changes in the advertised programme. Call 020 8770 5821/4203 or 0773 633 8366 (Dave) / 07872 510 122 (Mark) to find out what we are up to.

#### Volunteering

There are volunteering opportunities on days of the week other than those listed in the above, such as completion of building projects, surveys, promotion (flyers, website, newsletters, posters), tools maintenance, projects with schools and other community groups. Please feel free to talk to Dave or Mark to find out about other volunteering opportunities.

## **Weekend Tasks**

# Spencer Road Wetland – London Wildlife Trust reserve

Tasks take place on the first Saturday of the month from 11:00 to 1:30. Meet by the reserve entrance gate on Spencer Road, Mitcham Junction. Task leader is Norman Jones - 020 8286 1874 / email:

norman.jones@blueyonder.co.uk http://www.wildlondon.org.uk/reserves/spencer-roadwetlands

#### **Carew Manor Wetland**

Tasks take place on the second Sunday of the month. Meet at 10:15 in the second car park behind the cottages in Beddington Park, near the Wildlife Hospital (end of Church Road). Task leader is Ron Kriehn - 020 8395 7231/ email: ronkriehn@hotmail.co.uk

### **Sutton Ecology Centre**

Takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month from 10:00 - 14:00. Meet outside Sutton Ecology Centre, Festival Walk. Contact Mark Featherstone on: 07872 510 122 / email:

mark.featherstone@sutton.gov.uk https://www.sutton.gov.uk/ecologycentre

#### Wilderness Island - London Wildlife Trust reserve

Tasks take place on the last Sunday of the month 10:30 to 1:00. Meet by the reserve entrance (at the junction of Mill Lane and Strawberry Lane). Contact Derek Coleman on 020 8669 7421/ email:

derek.coleman@hotmail.com

http://www.wildlondon.org.uk/reserves/wilderness-island

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