



Yorkshire
Wildlife Trust

Autumn/ Winter
2023

Volunteer Training Programme



**Leadership
skills**



ID Skills



Surveying



Learning

For further information or to enquire about booking a course,
please email **volunteering@ywt.org.uk** or call **01904 659570**

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SEPTEMBER



Dry Stone Walling Course

Tuesday 5th & Tuesday 12th
10:00am – 4:00pm

Venue: Chafer Wood,
Ebberston nr Pickering

Drystone walling is part of our heritage and culture as well as being a fun skill to learn. Join us for this 2 day training. You must be able to do both days to register for this course.



BEN WOLSTENHOFF



Outdoor Incident Management with Underwood Training

Thursday 27th & Friday 28th
9:00am – 6:00pm

Venue: Leeds

This First Aid training covers outdoor scenarios you could find yourself giving first aid. This 2 day course will provide you with a First Aid qualification for 3 years. There is a cost to this course and booking priority is given to volunteers who require this training to carry out their role.

OCTOBER



Get Your Career Started

Monday 2nd

10:00am – 4:00pm

Venue: York Office

The conservation sector is a competitive place. Get ahead of the competition by attending training, you'll look at writing good applications, interview techniques, how to sell yourself and stand out from the crowd.



Task Day Leader

Tuesday 17th

9:30am – 4:30pm

Venue: Stirley

If you are new to running practical conservation task days, or need to refresh your skills this course is for you. You'll learn all the essentials of running practical tasks, including what biohazards might exist, problem solving scenarios and the paperwork and H&S elements to complete.



Fungi ID Course

Sunday 19th

10:00am – 12:00pm

Venue: Potteric Carr

Fantastical Fungi and its many forms will be the subject of this workshop. Come along and see what you will find at Potteric Carr nature reserve and learn how to identify them.



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NOVEMBER

Community Empowerment

Monday 6th

10:30am – 3:30pm

Venue: Stirley

Do you want to know how to make a difference for wildlife in your community? If the answer is yes, then our Community Empowerment Training would be perfect for you, learn about the principles of community organising and how to mobilise your community to take action for nature and how to get your voice heard to make positive change. Delivered by our Community Engagement Team - A fun, interactive session to give you the tools and techniques to make a difference in your community through #TeamWildier.

Managing Volunteers

Tuesday 14th

9:30am – 1:00pm

Venue: Virtual

If you work closely with or manage volunteers then join us to learn about what motivates volunteers, volunteer retention and volunteers and the law, as well as essential admin and H&S. This course is for task day leaders and volunteers who lead other volunteers and staff.

Winter Tree Identification

Wednesday 15th

10:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Potteric Carr

Tree species are most often identified by their leaves, but what about when there are no leaves? In this session we'll

have a mixture of indoor and outdoor learning on how to identify tree species native to the British Isles throughout the winter months, as well as opportunities to learn more on tree planting best practice.

DECEMBER

Hedgelaying Wednesday 13th

10:00am – 4:00pm

Venue: Skerne Wetlands

Hedgelaying is an ancient craft that has been practised for centuries. In this session you'll be given an introduction to hedgelaying including the opportunity to get hands-on to learn about the different techniques and the skills needed to create a dense, bushy, sheltered habitat for wildlife from day one.

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I liked the fact that the session was very interactive, lots of discussion and the practical tools exercise was good for getting us outside and up on our feet.

Task Day Leader Training

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