

# Practical Conservation Calendar

## Spring 2024

### Useful information for Task Days

#### Things you need to know:

- Task days start at 10am (9am at Potteric Carr) and usually run until 4pm
- Booking is preferred for every task, please contact the leader listed for the task day to book your place.
- New volunteers will need to provide emergency contact details and relevant medical details before beginning, just in case of any incident or accident.
- We ask those coming on task days to arrive with clean footwear, this should be done before arriving on site. This is to limit the spread and damage of invasive non-native species.
- Many of our reserves are rural or remote with limited welfare facilities. Toilets and running water are only available at Potteric Carr, Spurn and Stirley Farm. Contact the leader listed if you require any information regarding welfare facilities near to your chosen task day.
- We'll provide hand washing facilities (where possible) and hand sanitiser but do bring your own supply of hand sanitiser/wipes.
- Under 18's: For young people under 16 we will require parents or guardians to come along too. Young people aged 16 or 17 can volunteer without the need for an accompanying adult but we would need a parental consent form completed before you start volunteering.

### What you should bring

- A packed lunch and plenty to drink.
- Hard-wearing shoes, boots or wellies.
- Old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.
- Waterproofs, sunscreen and insect repellent when necessary, you never know what the weather will do!
- Tools and gloves will be provided.

Please visit [www.ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves](http://www.ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves) for directions to sites.

### Corporate Volunteers

Corporate businesses wishing to arrange use of their corporate volunteering allowance should contact our Corporate Partnerships Officer for support:

[fundraising@ywt.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@ywt.org.uk)

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 01904 659570 (Option 2)  [volunteering@ywt.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@ywt.org.uk)



## NORTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### ASHBERRY

**Nearest town:** Helmsley

#### Bracken bashing/ botonising

Thursday 27th June

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### ASHES PASTURE

**Nearest town:** Ingleton

#### Dry stone walling

Tuesday 7th May  
Tuesday 11th June

**Tree aftercare**  
Tuesday 16th April

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk

### BECKSIDE FARM, SNEATONTORPE

**Nearest town:** Whitby

#### Tree aftercare

Monday 24th June  
Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
07776 586922  
chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### BURTON RIGGS

**Nearest town:** Scarborough

#### Reserve management

Thursday 4th April

**Contact:** Kate Yates  
07825 668415  
kate.yates@ywt.org.uk

#### Reserve management

Thursday 2nd May  
Thursday 6th June

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### CHAFER WOOD

**Nearest town:** Pickering

#### Reserve management

Wednesday 10th April  
Wednesday 15th May

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### FEN BOG

**Nearest town:** Pickering

#### Footpath maintenance

Wednesday 22nd May

**Bracken bashing**  
Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### FILEY DAMS

**Nearest town:** Filey

#### Reserve management

Wednesday 3rd April

**Contact:** Kate Yates  
07825 668415  
kate.yates@ywt.org.uk

#### Reserve management

Wednesday 1st May  
Wednesday 5th June

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### GARBUTT WOOD

**Nearest town:** Thirsk

**Bracken bashing**  
Wednesday 19th June

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### GRASS WOOD

**Nearest town:** Grassington

**Fencing**  
Saturday 13th April

**Fence and step repairs**  
Saturday 11th May

**Woodland management**  
Wednesday 22nd May

**Bracken pulling/drain  
and path clearance**  
Saturday 8th June



**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk

### KNAGGY HOUSE FARM

**Nearest town:** Whitby

**Tree aftercare**  
Monday 10th June

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
07774 586922  
chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### LEYBURN OLD GLEBE

**Nearest town:** Leyburn

**Dry stone walling,  
Himalayan balsam control**  
Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk





### LOW CARR FARM

Nearest town: Pickering

### Lambing and fencing

Wednesday 24th April

### Fence construction

Wednesday 29th May

**Contact:** James Marshall  
07768 267402

james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

### MITTEN HILL FARM

Nearest town: Whitby

### Tree aftercare

Monday 17th June

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
07775 586922

chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### NEWBIGGIN

Nearest town: Aysgarth

### Tree aftercare

Wednesday 5th June

**Contact:** Graham Standring  
07795 644123

graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

### SEMERWATER

Nearest town: Hawes

### Dry stone walling

Wednesday 3rd April

Wednesday 10th April

Wednesday 24th April

Wednesday 1st May

Wednesday 15th May

**Contact:** Graham Standring  
07795 644123

graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

### SOUTHERSCALES

Nearest town: Ingleton

### Fencing repairs/dry stone walling

Wednesday 29th May

**Contact:** Graham Standring  
07795 644123

graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

### WEYBECK'S PASTURE

Nearest town: Grassington

### Dry stone walling

Wednesday 19th June

**Contact:** Graham Standring  
07795 644123

graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

### WILD INGLEBOROUGH

Nearest town:

Horton-in-Ribblesdale

### Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April

Saturday 6th April

Tuesday 16th April

Tuesday 23rd April

Tuesday 30th April

Tuesday 7th May

Saturday 18th May

Tuesday 21st May

Tuesday 28th May

Tuesday 4th June

Saturday 15th June

Tuesday 18th June

Tuesday 25th June

**Contact:** Liz Coates  
01904 916367

www.wildingleborough.com/  
get-involved



## COASTAL RESERVES

To book a place on any of these beach clean days please visit: [www.ywt.org.uk/beach-cleans](http://www.ywt.org.uk/beach-cleans)

### BRIDLINGTON NORTH

Nearest town: Bridlington

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 6th April

Saturday 4th May

Saturday 1st June

### CAYTON BAY

Nearest town: Scarborough

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 18th May

### FILEY SOUTH

Nearest town: Filey

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 20th April

Saturday 22nd June

### SCARBOROUGH NORTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 6th April

Wednesday 1st May

Wednesday 5th June

### SCARBOROUGH SOUTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Sunday 21st April

Monday 27th May

Sunday 23rd June

### SOUTH LANDING, FLAMBOROUGH

Nearest town: Bridlington

### Waves of Waste beach clean

Friday 10th May





## EAST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### ASKHAM BOG

**Nearest town:** York

#### Boardwalk repairs

Wednesday 3rd April

#### Grazing infrastructure

Wednesday 10th April

Wednesday 8th May

#### Boardwalk/infrastructure

Wednesday 29th May

#### Weed Wars

Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

### BARLOW COMMON

**Nearest town:** Selby

#### Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April

Tuesday 16th April

Tuesday 30th April

Tuesday 14th May

Tuesday 28th May

Tuesday 11th June

**Contact:** Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

### CALI HEATH

**Nearest town:** Pocklington

#### Grazing infrastructure

Wednesday 24th April

**Contact:** Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

### SPURN

**Nearest town:** Kilnsea

#### Reserves management

Task days every Wednesday

**Contact:** Rosie Jaques

07977 287012

rosie.jaques@ywt.org.uk

### STRENSALL COMMON

**Nearest town:** York

#### Bracken reduction

Wednesday 15th May

Wednesday 22nd May

**Contact:** Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

### WHELDRAKE INGS

**Nearest town:** York

#### Reserve management

Wednesday 17th April

Wednesday 1st May

Wednesday 5th June

Wednesday 12th June

Wednesday 19th June

**Contact:** Silvia Scontus

07586 102296

silvia.scontus@ywt.org.uk



## SOUTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### HUMBERHEAD LEVELS

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Practical reserve management

Wednesday 3rd April

Wednesday 10th April

Wednesday 17th April

Wednesday 24th April

Wednesday 1st May

Wednesday 8th May

Wednesday 15th May

Wednesday 22nd May

Wednesday 29th May

Wednesday 5th June

Wednesday 12th June

Wednesday 19th June

Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Helen Norford

07885 799712

helen.norford@ywt.org.uk

### MANOR FARM

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Litter pick (PM session)

Saturday 6th April

Saturday 20th April

Saturday 4th May

Saturday 18th May

Saturday 1st June

Saturday 15th June

Saturday 29th June

**Contact:** Katie Baker

katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

### POTTERIC CARR

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Practical reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April

Tuesday 9th April

Sunday 14th April

Tuesday 16th April

Sunday 21st April

Tuesday 23rd April

Sunday 28th April

Tuesday 30th April

Tuesday 7th May

Tuesday 14th May

Sunday 19th May

Tuesday 21st May

Tuesday 25th June

Sunday 30th June

#### Footpath maintenance

Sunday 26th May

Tuesday 28th May

Sunday 2nd June

Tuesday 4th June

Tuesday 11th June

Sunday 16th June

Tuesday 18th June

Sunday 23rd June

**Contact:** Mark Roberts

07896 674745

mark.roberts@ywt.org.uk

### ROVING BARNSELY RESERVES

**Nearest town:** Barnsley

#### Reserve management

Friday 5th April

Friday 12th April

Friday 19th April

Friday 10th May

Friday 21st June

#### Fencing

Friday 26th April

Saturday 27th April

#### Grassland management

Friday 3rd May

#### Himalayan balsam control

Friday 24th May

Saturday 25th May

Friday 7th June

Friday 28th June

Saturday 29th June



Broadhead Clough



#### Path maintenance

Friday 31st May  
Friday 14th June

#### River clean up

Friday 17th May

**Contact:** Sophie Pinder  
07896 674808  
sophie.pinder@ywt.org.uk

#### ROVING SOUTH RESERVES

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Meadow management (Denaby Ings)

Thursday 4th April

#### Bracken removal (Maltby Low Common)

Thursday 11th April

#### Grassland management (Manor Farm)

Thursday 18th April  
Thursday 16th May

#### Tree guard removal (Parson's Carr)

Thursday 25th April

#### Fence repairs (Owston Meadows)

Thursday 2nd May

#### Path maintenance (Carr Lodge)

Thursday 9th May  
Thursday 23rd May

#### Path maintenance (Potteric Bridleway)

Thursday 30th May

#### Himalayan balsam control (Maltby Low Common)

Thursday 6th June

#### Blackthorn control (Owston Meadows)

Thursday 13th June

#### Bracken/balsam control (Maltby Low Common)

Thursday 20th June

#### Fencing (Parson's Carr)

Thursday 27th June

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

#### SPROTBROUGH FLASH

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Reserve management

Tuesday 16th April  
Tuesday 30th April  
Tuesday 14th May  
Tuesday 11th June  
Tuesday 25th June

**Contact:** Jim Horsfall  
07867 353756  
jim.horsfall@ywt.org.uk

Adel Dam



## WEST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

#### ADEL DAM

**Nearest town:** Leeds

#### Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April  
Thursday 18th April  
Tuesday 7th May  
Thursday 23rd May  
Tuesday 4th June

**Contact:** Peter Gurney  
07741 662663  
peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

#### BROADHEAD CLOUGH

**Nearest town:** Mytholmroyd

#### Dry stone walling

Friday 5th April  
Friday 3rd May

#### Heathland restoration

Friday 7th June

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
07824 542314  
connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

#### BROCKADALE

**Nearest town:** Pontefract

#### Footpath maintenance

Sunday 21st April  
Sunday 19th May  
Sunday 16th June  
Sunday 21st July

**Contact:** Paul Simmons  
01977 620725  
paul.pjsimmons@gmail.com

#### Meadow management

Wednesday 3rd April  
Wednesday 15th May

#### Reserve management

Wednesday 17th April  
Wednesday 1st May



### Weed control

Wednesday 29th May  
Wednesday 12th June  
Wednesday 26th June

**Contact:** Karen McDiarmid  
07780 666173  
karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

### HETCHELL WOOD

**Nearest town:** Leeds

### Reserve management

Thursday 4th April  
Tuesday 16th April  
Thursday 9th May  
Tuesday 21st May  
Thursday 6th June  
Tuesday 18th June

**Contact:** Peter Gurney  
07741 662663  
peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

### KIRKSTALL VALLEY

**Nearest town:** Leeds

### Reserve management

Tuesday 9th April  
Tuesday 11th June

**Contact:** Peter Gurney  
07741 662663  
peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

### LEDSHAM BANK

**Nearest town:** Castleford

### Path maintenance

Friday 19th April

### Reserve management

Friday 17th May  
Friday 21st June

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
07824 542314  
connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

### LOW WOOD

**Nearest town:** Keighley

### Woodland conservation

Thursday 11th April  
Thursday 9th May  
Thursday 13th June

**Contact:** John Preshaw  
07484 181741  
johnpreshaw@tiscali.co.uk

### LOWER AIRE VALLEY NATURE RESERVES

**Nearest town:** Kippax/  
Rothwell/Allerton Bywater

### Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April  
Friday 5th April  
Tuesday 9th April  
Friday 12th April  
Tuesday 16th April  
Friday 19th April  
Tuesday 23rd April  
Friday 26th April  
Tuesday 30th April  
Friday 3rd May  
Tuesday 7th May  
Friday 10th May  
Tuesday 14th May  
Friday 17th May  
Tuesday 21st May  
Friday 24th May  
Tuesday 28th May  
Friday 31st May  
Tuesday 4th June  
Friday 7th June  
Tuesday 11th June  
Friday 14th June  
Tuesday 18th June  
Friday 21st June  
Tuesday 25th June  
Friday 28th June

**Contact:** Elspeth Robinson  
07825 668419  
elspeth.robinson@ywt.org.uk

### SHERBURN WILLOWS

**Nearest town:** Sherburn in  
Elmet

### Meadow management

Wednesday 24th April  
Wednesday 8th May

### Weed control

Wednesday 19th June

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karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

### STIRLEY

**Nearest town:** Huddersfield

### Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd April  
Tuesday 9th April  
Tuesday 16th April  
Tuesday 23rd April  
Tuesday 30th April  
Tuesday 7th May  
Tuesday 14th May  
Tuesday 21st May  
Tuesday 28th May  
Tuesday 4th June  
Tuesday 11th June  
Tuesday 18th June  
Tuesday 25th June  
Thursday 4th April  
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Thursday 18th April  
Thursday 25th April  
Thursday 2nd May  
Thursday 9th May  
Thursday 16th May  
Thursday 23rd May  
Thursday 30th May  
Thursday 6th June  
Thursday 13th June  
Thursday 20th June  
Thursday 27th June

**Contact:** Mary Painter  
07795 644125  
mary.painter@ywt.org.uk



### STOCKSMOOR COMMON

**Nearest town:** Wakefield

### Reserve management

Thursday 18th April  
Thursday 16th May

### Himalayan balsam control

Thursday 20th June

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
07824 542314  
connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

### STONEYCLIFFE WOOD

**Nearest town:** Wakefield

### Path maintenance

Thursday 4th April  
Thursday 2nd May

### Himalayan balsam control

Thursday 6th June

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
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connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

### WILLOW GARTH

**Nearest town:** Knottingley

### Himalayan balsam control

Wednesday 22nd June  
Wednesday 5th June

**Contact:** Karen McDiarmid  
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Stirley



Brimstone

RICHARD WILLISON