



Practical Conservation Calendar

Summer 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 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

LEDSTON LUCK BY JOANNA RICHARDS

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NORTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

ASHES PASTURE

Nearest town: Ingleton

**Dry stone walling/
fence repairs**

Tuesday 9th July

**Dry stone walling/
ragwort clearance**

Wednesday 24th July

Dry stone walling

Wednesday 21st August

Contact: Graham Standring
07795 644123
graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

BURTON RIGGS

Nearest town: Scarborough

Reserve management

Thursday 4th July
Thursday 1st August

Contact: James Marshall
07768 267402
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

Reserve management

Thursday 5th September

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

CHAFER WOOD

Nearest town: Pickering

Grassland management

Wednesday 31st July
Wednesday 18th September

Reserve management

Wednesday 28th August

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

ELLERBURN BANK

Nearest town: Thornton-le-Dale

Grassland management

Wednesday 25th September

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

FEN BOG

Nearest town: Pickering

Bracken bashing

Wednesday 3rd July

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

Bracken bashing

Saturday 6th July
Wednesday 10th July

Contact: James Marshall
07768 267402
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

Bracken bashing

Wednesday 24th July

Contact: Peter Christopherson
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Reserve management

Wednesday 14th August

Contact: Peter Christopherson
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FILEY DAMS

Nearest town: Filey

Reserve management

Wednesday 3rd July

Contact: James Marshall
07768 267402
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

Reserve management

Wednesday 7th August

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

Reserve management

Wednesday 4th September

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

GARBUTT WOOD

Nearest town: Thirsk

Reserve management

Wednesday 21st August

Contact: James Marshall
07768 267402
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

GRASS WOOD

Nearest town: Grassington

**Drain clearance/bracken
clearance**

Saturday 20th July

Path clearance

Saturday 10th August

**Strimming/raking/path
clearance**

Wednesday 28th August
Wednesday 4th September
Saturday 21st September

Contact: Graham Standring
07795 644123
graham.standring@ywt.org.uk

LOW CARR FARM

Nearest town: Pickering

Reserve management

Wednesday 11th September

Contact: James Marshall
07768 267402
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

Ashes Pasture



Beach and dunes at Spurn



MIKE MCARLANE

NEWBIGGIN PASTURE

Nearest town: Aysgarth

Dry stone walling/fence repairs

Wednesday 3rd July
Tuesday 16th July

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

SEATA QUARRY

Nearest town: Aysgarth

Strimming/raking

Wednesday 25th September

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

SEMERWATER

Nearest town: Hawes

Dry stone walling

Wednesday 31st July
Wednesday 11th September

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

SOUTH HOUSE PAVEMENT

Nearest town: Ingleton

Bracken/rosebay willowherb clearance

Wednesday 14th August

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

WEYBECK'S PASTURE

Nearest town: Grassington

Dry stone walling

Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 18th September

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

WILD INGLEBOROUGH

Nearest town: Horton-in-Ribblesdale

Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd July
Tuesday 9th July
Saturday 13th July
Tuesday 23rd July
Tuesday 30th July
Tuesday 6th August
Saturday 10th August
Tuesday 20th August
Tuesday 27th August
Tuesday 3rd September
Saturday 7th September
Tuesday 10th September
Tuesday 24th September

Contact: Liz Coates
01904 916367
www.wildingleborough.com/
get-involved

Waves of Waste beach clean



ELVA TOWERS

COASTAL RESERVES

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

BRIDLINGTON NORTH

Nearest town: Bridlington

Wednesday 3rd July
Wednesday 14th August
Wednesday 11th September

Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 6th July
Saturday 3rd August
Saturday 7th September

CAYTON BAY

Nearest town: Scarborough

Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 3rd August

FILEY SOUTH

Nearest town: Filey

Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 6th July
Saturday 3rd August

SCARBOROUGH NORTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

Waves of Waste beach clean

SCARBOROUGH SOUTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

Waves of Waste beach clean

Sunday 21st July
Tuesday 20th August
Sunday 15th September

SOUTH LANDING, FLAMBOROUGH

Nearest town: Bridlington

Waves of Waste beach clean

Thursday 25th July

SPURN

Nearest town: Withernsea

Waves of Waste beach clean

Monday 22nd July
Friday 30th August
Sunday 29th September



PETER CHRISTOPHERSON

Volunteer dry stone walling course



EAST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

ASKHAM BOG

Nearest town: York

Weed wars

Wednesday 3rd July
Wednesday 24th July

Reserve management

Wednesday 14th August
Wednesday 21st August

Meadow management

Wednesday 4th September
Wednesday 18th September

Contact: Dave Powell
07977 287012
david.powell@ywt.org.uk

BARLOW COMMON

Nearest town: Selby

Weed wars

Tuesday 9th July
Tuesday 23rd July
Tuesday 6th August
Tuesday 20th August

Reserve management

Tuesday 3rd September
Tuesday 17th September

Contact: Dave Powell
07977 287012
david.powell@ywt.org.uk

SPURN

Nearest town: Withernsea

Reserves management

Wednesday 3rd July
Wednesday 10th July
Wednesday 24th July
Wednesday 31st July
Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 14th August
Wednesday 21st August
Wednesday 28th August
Wednesday 4th September
Wednesday 11th September
Wednesday 18th September
Wednesday 25th September

Contact: Rosie Jaques
01964 650144
rosie.jaques@ywt.org.uk

WHELDRAKE INGS

Nearest town: York

Reserve management

Wednesday 10th July
Wednesday 31st July
Wednesday 7th August
Wednesday 28th August
Wednesday 11th September
Wednesday 25th September

Contact: Silvia Scontus
07586 102296
silvia.scontus@ywt.org.uk

SOUTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

CARR LODGE

Nearest town: Doncaster

Path clearance

Thursday 25th July

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

DENABY INGS

Nearest town: Doncaster

Path clearance

Thursday 4th July
Thursday 15th August

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

FEN CARR

Nearest town: Doncaster

Fenceline clearance

Thursday 12th September

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

HUMBERHEAD LEVELS

Nearest town: Doncaster

Reserve management

Wednesday 7th July
Wednesday 10th July
Wednesday 17th July
Wednesday 24th July
Wednesday 31st July
Wednesday 7th August

Wednesday 14th August
Wednesday 21st August
Wednesday 28th August
Wednesday 4th September
Wednesday 11th September
Wednesday 18th September
Wednesday 25th September

Contact: Helen Norford
07885 799712
helen.norford@ywt.org.uk

MALTBY LOW COMMON

Nearest town: Doncaster

Grassland management

Thursday 19th September

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

MANOR FARM

Nearest town: Doncaster

Reserve management (PM session)

Saturday 13th July
Saturday 27th July
Saturday 10th August
Saturday 24th August

Mowing

Thursday 11th July
Thursday 8th August

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

OWSTON MEADOWS

Nearest town: Doncaster

Fencing

Thursday 1st August

Contact: Katie Baker

katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

PARSON'S CARR

Nearest town: Doncaster

Path clearance

Thursday 18th July

Reserve management

Thursday 29th August

Contact: Katie Baker

katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

POTTERIC CARR

Nearest town: Doncaster

Fencing

Thursday 22nd August

Reserve management

Thursday 5th September

Thursday 26th September

Contact: Katie Baker

katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

Footpath/hide maintenance

Tuesday 2nd July

Sunday 7th July

Tuesday 9th July

Sunday 14th July

Clear vegetation around hides

Sunday 4th August

Tuesday 6th August

Grassland management

Tuesday 16th July

Tuesday 23rd July

Tuesday 27th August

Sunday 1st September

Tuesday 3rd September

Sunday 8th September

Tuesday 10th September

Tuesday 17th September

Tuesday 24th September

Sunday 29th September

Footpath maintenance

Sunday 28th July

Tuesday 30th July

Sunday 11th August

Tuesday 13th August

Tuesday 20th August

Sunday 25th August

Contact: Mark Roberts

07896 674745

mark.roberts@ywt.org.uk

SPROTBROUGH FLASH

Nearest town: Doncaster

Reserve management

Tuesday 9th July

Tuesday 20th August

Tuesday 3rd September

Tuesday 17th September

Contact: Jim Horsfall

07867 353756

jim.horsfall@ywt.org.uk



WEST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

ADEL DAM

Nearest town: Leeds

Himalayan balsam pulling

Tuesday 2nd July

Thursday 25th July

Tuesday 6th August

Thursday 22nd August

Reserve maintenance

Tuesday 3rd September

Thursday 19th September

Contact: Peter Gurney

07741 662663

peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

BROADHEAD CLOUGH

Nearest town: Mytholmroyd

Bracken control

Friday 5th July

Dry stone walling

Friday 2nd August

Friday 6th September

Contact: Connor Byers

07824 542314

connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

BROCKDALE

Nearest town: Pontefract

Reserve management

Wednesday 10th July

Wednesday 24th July

Wednesday 7th August

Wednesday 21st August

Wednesday 4th September

Wednesday 18th September

Contact: Karen McDiarmid

07780 666173

karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

Paths/verges clearance

Sunday 21st July

Sunday 18th August

Sunday 15th September

Contact: Paul Simmons

01977 620725

paul.pjsimmons@gmail.com

HETCHELL WOOD

Nearest town: Leeds

Himalayan balsam pulling

Thursday 4th July

Tuesday 16th July

Thursday 8th August

Tuesday 20th August

Reserve maintenance

Thursday 5th September

Tuesday 17th September

Contact: Peter Gurney

07741 662663

peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

KIPPAX MEADOWS

Nearest town: Kippax

Reserve management

Friday 23rd August

Contact: Elspeth Robinson

07825 668419

elspeth.robinson@ywt.org.uk

KIRKSTALL VALLEY

Nearest town: Leeds

Himalayan balsam pulling

Tuesday 9th July

Tuesday 13th August

Grassland management

Tuesday 10th August

Contact: Peter Gurney

07741 662663

peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

LEDSHAM BANK

Nearest town: Castleford

Reserve management

Friday 19th July

Friday 16th August

Friday 20th September

Contact: Connor Byers

07824 542314

connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

LEDSTON LUCK

Nearest town: Kippax

Reserve management

Tuesday 20th August

Friday 6th September

Contact: Elspeth Robinson

07825 668419

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LETCHMIRE PASTURES

Nearest town: Allerton Bywater

Reserve management

Tuesday 10th September

Friday 27th September

Contact: Elspeth Robinson

07825 668419

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LOW WOOD

Nearest town: Keighley

Woodland conservation

Thursday 11th July
Thursday 8th August
Thursday 12th September

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

OWL WOOD & PIT PLANTATION

Nearest town: Allerton Bywater

Himalayan balsam pulling

Tuesday 9th July

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

ROTHWELL COUNTRY PARK

Nearest town: Rothwell

Himalayan balsam pulling

Tuesday 2nd July
Tuesday 23rd July
Friday 2nd August

Reserves management

Tuesday 27th August
Friday 13th September

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

ROTHWELL PASTURES

Nearest town: Rothwell

Himalayan balsam pulling

Tuesday 16th July
Tuesday 6th August

Reserves management

Tuesday 17th September

Contact: Elspeth Robinson
07825 668419
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SHERBURN WILLOWS

Nearest town: Sherburn in Elmet

Weed wars

Tuesday 2nd July

Reserve management

Thursday 25th July

Contact: Karen McDiarmid
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karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

STIRLEY

Nearest town: Huddersfield

Reserve management

Tuesday 2nd July
Thursday 4th July
Tuesday 9th July
Thursday 11th July
Tuesday 16th July
Thursday 18th July
Tuesday 23rd July
Thursday 25th July
Tuesday 30th July
Thursday 1st August
Tuesday 6th August
Thursday 8th August
Tuesday 13th August
Thursday 15th August
Tuesday 20th August
Thursday 22nd August
Tuesday 27th August
Thursday 29th August
Tuesday 3rd September
Thursday 5th September
Tuesday 10th September

Thursday 12th September
Tuesday 17th September
Thursday 19th September
Tuesday 24th September
Thursday 26th September

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

Allotment gardening

Tuesday 2nd July
Tuesday 9th July
Tuesday 16th July
Tuesday 23rd July
Saturday 20th July
Tuesday 30th July
Tuesday 6th August
Tuesday 13th August
Tuesday 20th August
Saturday 24th August
Tuesday 27th August
Tuesday 3rd September
Tuesday 10th September
Tuesday 17th September
Tuesday 24th September

Contact: Thom Day
07783 194433
thomas.day@ywt.org.uk

STOCKSMOOR COMMON

Nearest town: Wakefield

Bracken control

Thursday 18th July
Thursday 15th August

Reserve management

Thursday 19th September

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

STONEYCLIFFE WOOD

Nearest town: Wakefield

Himalayan balsam control

Thursday 4th July
Thursday 1st August

Reserve management

Thursday 5th September

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

THE LINES WAY

Nearest town: Kippax

Reserve management

Tuesday 13th August

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

TOWNCLOSE HILLS

Nearest town: Kippax

Weed wars

Friday 12th July
Tuesday 30th July

Reserve management

Friday 30th August
Tuesday 24th September

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

WATER HAIGH WOODLAND PARK

Nearest town: Rothwell

Himalayan balsam pulling

Friday 5th July
Friday 26th July

Reserve management

Friday 9th August
Tuesday 3rd September

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

WILLOW GARTH

Nearest town: Knottingley

Reserve management

Wednesday 3rd July
Wednesday 31st July

Contact: Karen McDiarmid
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