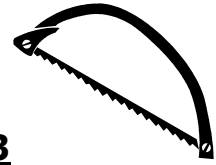




# Avon Wildlife Trust



**(GCG) - Gordano Conservation Group 2012/13**

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The Gordano Conservation Group is a practical work group who help Avon Wildlife Trust to manage its nature reserves in the Gordano Valley (between Portbury and Clevedon).

The reserves the group help to manage include Prior's Wood, Tickenham Hill, Walton Common, Weston Moor and more. The group meet the last Sunday each month at a programmed nature reserves to carryout work such as rhododendron clearance, scrub clearance, drystone walling, ragwort pulling, and more.

Work parties start at 10am and finish between 12.30 - 1pm.

## **Work party programme 2012 / 2013**

### **December - No work party**

#### **Sunday 8th January**

**PRIOR'S WOOD.** *Rhododendron clearance to regenerate the woodland.*

Meet in the car parking area (Grid ref ST 493 738) opposite the entrance to the Children's Hospice. DO NOT USE THE HOSPICE CAR PARK. To reach Parking area, turn off the B3128 at the Down's School entrance. Follow the drive for 1 mile, then turn left at the sign for the Children's Hospice.

#### **Sunday 29th January**

**WESTON MOOR.** *Hedgelaying near the old railway track which runs through the orchards. Or possibly work in Taggarts Wood that was cancelled September 2011 due to weather.*

Meet on the small drive which runs alongside the church (Grid ref ST 444 743) off the B3124.

#### **Sunday 26th February**

**PORTBURY WHARF.** *Clearing invading scrub from grassy areas at the Trusts newest reserve.*

Meet in the layby off of Wharf Lane, Sheepway (Grid ref ST 486 765). Coming from Portishead, Wharf Lane is the first turning on the left after the railway bridge. Limited parking is also available in the layby just past the railway bridge. There is a footpath from this area to the Wharf Lane layby.

#### **Sunday 25th March**

**WALTON COMMON.** *Removal of alien tree saplings from the grassland.*

Meet (Grid ref ST 423 735) on the road verge of the coast road, Walton Street, beside the Clevedon Golf Course above Walton-in-Gordano.

#### **Sunday 29th April**

**PRIOR'S WOOD.** *Rhododendron clearance to regenerate the woodland.*

We have a new meeting place for work on the rhododendrons. Meet in the car parking area (Grid ref ST 493 738) opposite the entrance to the Children's Hospice. DO NOT USE THE HOSPICE CAR PARK. To reach Parking area, turn off the B3128 at the Down's School entrance. Follow the drive for 1 mile, then turn left at the sign for the Children's Hospice.

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## **Sunday 20th May**

TICKENHAM HILL. *Drystone walling.*

We will rebuild a section of the old boundary wall. This will provide an improved habitat for a range of animals, bird and insect species and improve the boundary. Meet at the reserve (Grid ref ST 442 724). For directions phone Keith.

## **Sunday 30th June**

PRIOR'S WOOD. *Rhododendron clearance to regenerate the woodland.*

We have a new meeting place for work on the rhododendrons. Meet in the car parking area (Grid ref ST 493 738) opposite the entrance to the Children's Hospice. DO NOT USE THE HOSPICE CAR PARK. To reach Parking area, turn off the B3128 at the Down's School entrance. Follow the drive for 1 mile, then turn left at the sign for the Children's Hospice.

## **Sunday 29th July.**

WESTON MOOR. *Ragwort pulling or other reserve management tasks.*

Meet down the small lane beside the church (Grid Ref ST 443 742) in Weston-in-Gordano.

## **August - NO WORK -- HOLIDAYS**

## **Sunday 30th September**

WESTON MOOR. *Reserve management in Taggarts Wood.*

Meet down the small lane beside the church (Grid Ref ST 443 742) in Weston-in-Gordano.

## **Sunday 28th October**

PILL PADDOCK. *Scrub work around the edge of the meadow and possible pond maintenance.*

Meet at the Valley Road entrance to the reserve (Grid ref ST 452 749). Parking is on the verge opposite the entrance.

## **Sunday 25th November**

TICKENHAM HILL. *Scrub clearance.*

We will rebuild a section of the old boundary wall. This will provide an improved habitat for a range of animals, bird and insect species and improve the boundary. Meet at the reserve (Grid ref ST 442 724). For directions phone Keith.

## **December - No work party**

## **Sunday 6th January 2013**

**PRIOR'S WOOD.** *Rhododendron clearance to regenerate the woodland.*

Meet in the car parking area (Grid ref ST 493 738) opposite the entrance to the Children's Hospice. DO NOT USE THE HOSPICE CAR PARK. To reach Parking area, turn off the B3128 at the Down's School entrance. Follow the drive for 1 mile, then turn left at the sign for the Children's Hospice.

## **Sunday 27th January**

**WESTON MOOR.** *Scrub control on the southern part of the reserve.*

Meet just inside the gate (Grid ref 446 736) of the reserve. Turn off of the B3124 in Weston-in-Gordano down Weston Grove. Turn right through the metal gate then drive along the rough track to reach the parking place.

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