



Autumn arrives in the valley

Volunteer Work

Next formal Work Day 18th October which is the Ennerdale Fell Care day and is being organised by Friends of the Lake District and Flora of the Fells with support from Wild Ennerdale based from the Scout Centre. Just a quick reminder of volunteering opportunities on the day below but if you don't feel you want to lead then do come along and get involved in the practical activities. This should be a great fun day to enjoy in the valley.

1. Setting up and staffing at Ennerdale Scout Centre from 8.30am
2. Greeting and signing in of volunteers from 8.45am
3. Car parking duties 8.30am to 10am
4. Footpath and drainage repair work in Bowness Knott woods, north shore Ennerdale
5. Planting of juniper trees, southern side of Ennerdale
6. Cutting conifer regeneration to aid Marsh Fritillary habitat –
7. Removal of redundant fencing around a woodland
8. Litter clearance – Ennerdale lakeshore
9. Red grouse survey work – on rough, high fell side (bring your own GPS's if you have one)
10. Helping with school groups doing practical and education activities
11. Running art and craft making sessions with school groups & members of the public
12. Helping shepherd guided walks about Wild Ennerdale and local history
13. Awareness raising and membership recruitment at Scout Centre 'hub'
14. Helping clear up the hub at the end of the day
15. Creating a photo diary of the day with the different conservation activities
16. Cake baking for the volunteer refreshments – need to be delivered on the day..

Other Jobs to Do

We now have a white board in the tool store for sharing jobs to do, Here are just a few,

- Fence removal opposite the Ennerdale YHA, allowing the cattle into the last of the fields.
- Repairing the Liza path. Continuing the excellent work everybody has been doing , the path is so much drier now, well done everyone.
- Cutting back regeneration along the forest road especially beneath Latterbarrow but also east of Ennerdale YHA.
- The Liza Path west of Moss Dubb needs some gravel laying where the soil is become muddy between the tarn and the little bridge put in last year.
- Preparing Squirrel traps see below.

Latest News

Red Squirrel News See Wild Ennerdale Autumn Newsletter.

We need to prepare around 200 traps over the winter ready for the start of trapping next March 2012. We have 100+ traps with more to come at the Forestry Commissions office at Peil Wyke, north end of Bassenthwaite Lake (CA13 9YG). Each trap needs attaching to some marine plywood to stop the food falling through and then covering with plastic to stop the food rotting. This is a great indoor job for a wet day with free tea, coffee and cake.

Gareth is hoping to get the board during the first week of October so please get in touch if you want to help.

Rachel's Back

Rachel is back with us working Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning. She is hoping to come along to the Archaeological day on Tuesday 4th October (see Bernie's email) and will be helping out at the Hub on Fell care Day. She hopes to setup a base in the Ennerdale Community room at the back of the village church so she is available in the heart of the community.

Wild Ennerdale Clothing

If you regularly volunteer in the valley and hav'nt received your Wild Ennerdale jacket, fleece and base layer please get in touch with Gareth or come along next Tuesday when gareth will have the clothing box with him.

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