

Lothians Conservation Volunteers



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*We are a Scottish Charity,
run entirely by volunteers,
and we've been doing
conservation work in and
around Edinburgh for over
forty years.*

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Hello,

As summer gently fades we enter the final quarter of another eventful year. I would like to thank Partha and Nicola for all their work through the years and wish them all the best in their future endeavours. Their departure for new horizons leaves us with a committee vacancy for a Mucker Editor and we are still trying to recruit a Publicity Officer. If either post interests you or if you know a candidate please contact me.

*William McSporrán
Co-ordinator*



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How to book and what to bring

Saturday and Sunday Tasks

We meet on the north side of St Andrew Square at 9.30am prompt—look out for our white minibus. We normally aim to return around 5.30pm. Bring a woolly hat, waterproofs, a packed lunch and boots or wellies—steel toe-cap wear is recommended. If you have your own work gloves you might want to bring them, though we do have gloves that anyone can borrow. Pack plenty of drinking water and wear warm clothes. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

Transport is free: phone Debbie, our Transport Secretary, by the Friday evening before the task to book your seat so that we know how many tools to take and don't go without you. Early booking is recommended. We only have twelve seats in the bus, so please do come if you've booked or others will miss out. If the bus is full, or if it's easier for you, you can meet us at the task site, but please inform Debbie so we can confirm the meeting point and arrival time with you. We don't cancel if it's raining. Age limits: Under 16s must be accompanied by a responsible adult and cannot travel in our minibus. We ask under 18s to please tell us your age when booking. Please ensure that your tetanus vaccination is up to date.

Residential Tasks

Residentials are great fun and they allow LCV to undertake larger tasks further away from Edinburgh. They involve a weekend away to work on the Saturday and Sunday. We leave on Friday night and usually take in a chip shop on the way. We get back to Edinburgh on Sunday evening.

Regardless of the time of year, bring a complete change of clothing so that you can get out of your work clothes in the evening. Remember that the weather can be very changeable, so bring a warm jumper and hat and above all don't forget a waterproof jacket and trousers and sturdy footwear. A water bottle is recommended. Unless otherwise indicated you'll probably need to take a sleeping bag and, if sleeping on the floor, a Karrimat or air-bed.

On residential tasks, breakfasts, lunches and the evening meal are organised by a volunteer. Everyone helps to prepare the food. The fare is usually vegetarian and there is plenty of it. Food for a weekend usually works out at £8 – £10 each. Pick-up is from St Andrew Square at 7.30 pm on Friday, unless otherwise stated. If you want to go on a residential task, please book with Debbie, our Transport Secretary. Bookings will be accepted for weekend residential tasks up to the preceding Wednesday evening.

Monthly committee meetings

Every second Tuesday of the month we have a meeting to discuss LCV business at 16 Forth Street off Broughton Street. We leave a notice near the door with a mobile number to call so we can let you in. All are welcome to the meeting; we usually go for a drink in a local pub afterwards.

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Conservation tasks www.lcv.org.uk

Oct	Sun 4	Holyrood Park	Gorse cutting
	Sun 11	Easter Craiglockhart	Meadow raking
	Sat 17	Aberlady Bay	Sea buckthorn control
	Sun 18	Spottiswoode	Brash burning
	Sun 25	Bawsinch	Birch clearance
Nov	Sun 1	Ormiston	Tree planting
	Sat 7	Roslin Glen	Path work & tree planting
	Sun 8	Bawsinch	Snowberry & dogwood clearance
	Sat 14- Sun 15	Taynish Residential	TBC
	Sat 21	Roslin Glen	Path work & tree planting
	Sun 22	Holyrood Park	Gorse clearance
	Sun 29	Holyrood Park	Gorse clearance
Dec	Sun 6	Gore Glen	Tree thinning & broom control
	Sun 13	Spottiswoode	Brash burning
	Sun 20	Penicuik—Dalkeith Walkway	Tree & path maintenance
	Thu 31	Roslin Glen	Cutting, burning & pathwork
Jan	Fri 1	Vogrie	TBC
	Sat 2	Vogrie	TBC

Social events

Oct	Tue 13, 7.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Sat 24, 2pm	Water of Leith cycle ride
Nov	Tue 10, 6.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Mon 16, 6.30pm	Pub quiz at the Brass Monkey
Dec	Tue 8, 7.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Thu 10, 6.30pm	Christmas market
	Sun 20, 7.30pm	Mulled wine & mince pies