

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.*

*We belong to TCV
Community Network. Our
funding comes from the
clients that we work for and
grants from organisations
like Scottish Wildlife Trust
and Scottish Natural
Heritage.*

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Hello,

2015 has been another good one for LCV and I am hopeful 2016 will be too as we meet its challenges. There will be opportunities to fill committee vacancies and new sites to visit in addition to old favourites.

*William McSporrان
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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To join our newsgroup send an email to webmaster@lcv.org.uk.

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You can also find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/LothiansConservationVolunteers

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Conservation tasks

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Jan	Sun 10	Gore Glen	Tree thinning / broom control
	Sat 16	Beecraigs	Pathwork (for walkers)
	Sun 17	Roslin Glen	Path & drainage work
	Sat 23	Beecraigs	Pathwork (for walkers)
	Sun 24	Holyrood Park	Gorse clearance
Feb	Sun 31	Roslin Glen	Tree thinning & brash burning
	Sat 6	Bawsinch	Pond work
	Sun 7	Traprain Law	TBC
	Sat 13	Penicuik—Dalkeith Walkway	Pathwork & tree / veg clearance
	Sun 14	Spottiswoode	Brash clearance
	Sun 21	Little Boghead	Pond / vegetation clearance
	Sat 27	Little Boghead	Pond / vegetation clearance
Mar	Sun 28	Holyrood Park	Gorse clearance
	Sat 5	Roslin Glen	Pathwork & tree thinning
	Sun 6	Addiewell	Tree aftercare
	Fri 11— Sun 13	Carsegowan residential	Birch regen removal
	Sat 19	Ravencraig	Pond / path / veg clearance
	Sun 20	Spottiswoode	Tree planting
	Sat 26	Ravencraig	Pond / path / veg clearance
	Sun 27	Roslin Glen	Pathwork & meadow management

Social events

Jan	Tue 12, 7.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Fri 22, 8pm	Burns night ceilidh
Feb	Tue 9, 7.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Thu 11, 7.30pm	SWT Talk—Science at the Botanics
Mar	Thu 18, 6.30pm	Bouldering at Alien Rock Two
	Tue 8, 7.30pm	Committee meeting & pub
	Thu 10, 7.30pm	SWT Talk—Spring Foraging
	Mon 14, 6.30pm	Pub quiz at the Brass Monkey