

All groups are on the hunt for new volunteers, can you come along and help out?

All of the Wild about Tamworth groups have been busy over the last few months carrying out practical conservation tasks. There is always lots to get done on sites across Tamworth Borough over the winter months, why not take a look at our website and find out more about these sites and the work that is carried out: www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/page/wild-about-tamworth



Filming for Countryfile at Tameside Local Nature Reserve

"WILD ABOUT TAMWORTH'S" BIG TREE PLANT



So far we have worked with the local community and two local schools to plant trees at the Bumpy in Glascote. A tree care training day was also held at Wigginton Park to demonstrate how to properly maintain trees after planting!

Why not come along and join in with our upcoming tree planting sessions at various sites across Tamworth:

- Sun 15th January (2pm-4pm) at Wigginton Park, Leyfields
- Sat 11th February (10am-1pm) at Tameside Local Nature Reserve
- Sat 10th March (10.30am-12.30pm) at Town Wall, Wilnecote

And don't miss the **WILD ABOUT TREES EVENT** on

Wednesday 4th April at Wigginton Park, Leyfields.

This exciting event is free and will include:

- Tree trails
- Wildplay activities and crafts
- Green woodwork demonstrations
- Tree seed growing
- Tree identification & surveys



Tameside volunteers onsite with John Craven

"WILD ABOUT TAMWORTH" is a partnership between Staffordshire Wildlife Trust, Tamworth Borough Council and the communities of Tamworth.

The initiative aims to improve the Borough's wild places to benefit both people and wildlife.



Training opportunities...

WAT volunteers who carry out practical conservation tasks on sites around Tamworth also have the opportunity to participate in various training events such as first aid training and risk assessment training. Other opportunities this year have included:

Mammal Training

Volunteers learned about:

- characteristics of mammals and their habitats;
- mammal identification;
- how to survey for mammals.



Tree Care Training

Volunteers learned about:

- tree species;
- appropriate locations and ground conditions to plant trees;
- tree stakes and guards;
- pruning;
- woodland management.



Wildplay Training

Volunteers learned about:

- 'safe' play and risk benefit;
- how to deliver practical wildlife and nature themed activities on sites;
- new and exiting ways to explore natural habitats with children.



Why not get involved?

Volunteers meet regularly in Tamworth to carry out a variety of practical conservation tasks. It's a great way to get involved with your local site, to meet new people and to keep active!

New volunteers are always welcome, so why not give it a go?

Take a look at the Wild about Tamworth programme for Jan-Apr.



Warwickshire Moor volunteers fitting a non-slip covering to the boardwalk

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