

Task Day Programme – April 2022 to September 2022

Knighton Community Woodlands Group is a voluntary organisation that manages woodlands for the benefit of wildlife and our members. In coming together to share and learn woodland skills, we manage woodland sustainably and allow our members access to affordable woodland products, such as firewood and timber.



Trees need to be coppiced (cut back almost to ground level then re-grown), felled or planted when they are dormant. We need to be careful not to disturb nesting birds. For these reasons, most work on trees is carried out in autumn and winter. Summer is a time of cutting cordwood (4-foot-long pieces of wood) into logs, preparing for winter work, making charcoal and weeding around newly planted trees.

Volunteers work at their own pace and we provide all the tools and training needed. We go out to various local woodlands one day a week, usually alternating between Thursdays and Sundays, and volunteers choose how much of the day to stay for. So, come and learn new skills while helping wildlife!

Please note that this programme is subject to change, so always contact us before going to a wood to ensure that a task day is going ahead as planned.

This spring and summer, we will finish extracting the timber that has arisen from coppicing hazel and thinning birch over the winter. The cordwood (4' lengths of firewood) will be cut to log length using a chainsaw, with larger diameter pieces also split with axes. We will stack the logs onto pallets, with a cover placed on top, to continue the seasoning process. Smaller felled timbers will be cut to length for hedging stakes, rods and charcoal making. We will also be taking forward our charcoal making project.

We will be at one of our woods on the dates below, carrying out the spring/summer activities described above. All task days will run from 9.30am to approximately 2.30pm.

Sunday, 10th April 2022

Sunday, 24th April 2022

Thursday, 28th April 2022

Sunday, 8th May 2022

Thursday, 12th May 2022

Sunday, 22nd May 2022

Thursday, 26th May 2022

Sunday, 5th June 2022

Thursday, 9th June 2022

Sunday, 19th June 2022

Thursday, 23rd June 2022

Sunday, 3rd July 2022

Sunday, 17th July 2022

Thursday, 21st July 2022

Sunday, 31st July 2022

No August task days

Sunday, 4th September 2022

Thursday, 8th September 2022

Sunday, 18th September 2022

Thursday, 22nd September 2022

On **Thursday, 14th April 2022** and **Thursday, 7th July 2022** from 9.30am to approximately 2.30pm, we will be at **another woodland** to cut back brambles and other ground flora to stop them from swamping the saplings we have planted.

For more information, please contact woodland@tveg.org.uk or 01547 520374

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