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The Selborne Society Bulletin

September 2017

Future Events

Sat 2 Sep 2:00 PM Field Meeting at Perivale Wood TBA

Sat 9 Sep 2:00 PM The Perivale Wood Rangers will enter a web of intrigue and discover the world of SPIDERS – can we find some? What do their webs look like ... what are they made from, and how do they use them? *** Adults must be accompanied by a Ranger!

Sun 10 10:00 Volunteer Working Morning *

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Tue 26 10:00 Volunteer Working Morning *

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Tue 3 Oct 7:45 PM Bats – Huma Pearce, a bat supremo, from the Herts and Middlesex Bat Group will tell us much about bats – fascinating creatures. Huma has stepped in as Keith Barker, our usual bat expert, is not available.

Sat 7 Oct 2:00 PM Shared with the British Mycological society national fungus day so ought be on their website etc., A Fungus Foray with acclaimed expert Alec Henrici ... always fascinating, the Reserve is a rich in fungi, so there is usually plenty to find and learn about.

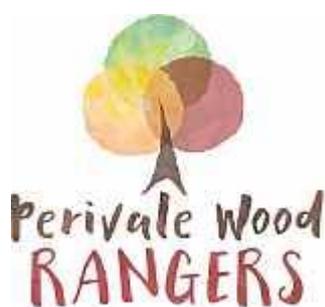
Sun 8 Oct 10:00 AM Volunteer Working Morning *

Sat 14 Oct 2:00 PM The Perivale Wood Rangers will go on a fungus foray, finding out about the food web and why fungi are important. *** Adults must be accompanied by a Ranger! ***

Tue 24 all day Coach Outing, Winkworth Arboretum; booking essential,

Oct 10:00 AM Volunteer Working Morning *

All events are now held at Perivale Wood Local Nature Reserve, Sunley Gardens, Perivale, UB6 7PE



Rangers will be back in action on the 9th September, investigating SPIDERS ... 2pm, be dont be late!

Newsletter, Coach Outing and Diary.

A reminder that you can download the

[Newsletter](#),
[Diary](#) - and, the
[Coach Outing Flier / Booking Form](#).

The outing will be on the 24th October and we are heading to the National Trust's [Winkworth Arboretum](#) -

Jam - and Jars ...

Clare reports plenty of fruit for Jam, and has already made a couple of hundred jars of jam for open day, but plaintive text the other day "desperate for jars" ... if you have good jars that can be donated, please do so - the jam sales are an important fund raiser at open day, and popular with the punters, one of the reasons they come back year after year!

A few rules ... the jars MUST be clean, please take labels off before giving them to us - it only takes a jiffy if you use hot water, allow them to soak, then carefully scrape off with a sharp knife and remove the last of the adhesive with a pan scourer. easy for one or two, but if you are confronted with 100, then it becomes a daunting task! lids if possible too please.

Its great to recycle jars in this way, sustainable, and also the food miles of the Jam will be very small. Clare has made some interesting varieties, including Plum and Chilli ... eat your

Going paperless!

In this day and age, paper is both expensive, laborious, and unsustainable in Environmental terms - and we are Pioneers in Conservation. So the Society's Council have decided that from the end of the year, if we have an email address for you, you will only receive mailings from the Society electronically unless you opt in by emailing and requesting paper copies.

Access to Perivale Wood

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We've had a new gate put in, and volunteers are currently finishing the paving to it. once that's completed, the double gates will be locked with a new lock, and the old will be transferred to the new, smaller, side gate, so access to the Reserve will be maintained for those with existing keys. Keys for the old gate will be issued only to those needing to bring vehicles onto the Reserve.

This is another step towards the electronic access control system to the Reserve.

Dont forget that the rendezvous cafe, who hold our keys - have closed for refurbishment, so the only place that keys can be borrowed from is the Perivale Library. Their

heart out [Letitia Cropley](#)

To donate jars ... best to [email](#) and we'll sort collection or delivery out!

Volunteering at Perivale Wood

Every month our wonderful volunteers help us maintain our Wonderful Perivale Wood in tip top condition; tools gloves, etc provided. 2nd Sunday of each month, 10 am till about 1 pm. and there will be another session on the 4th Tuesday of each month, same times. Tea and biscuits provided.

All Welcome

New front gardens survey: volunteers sought for W13, Greenford and Southall

The recently-revived Ealing Front Gardens Project is planning to survey the front gardens of properties in the borough that have had pavement crossovers installed in the last 2 years. The purpose of this is to see to what extent they are hard surfaced. The results of this will feed in to the Mayor's recently-launched London Environmental Strategy and also a review of the Government's 2008 regulations which we understand is taking place. (The latter require either planning permission or a soakaway or other provision for run-off if over 5 sq m of the front garden is covered with impermeable surfacing. Anecdotal evidence suggests that newly hard surfaced front gardens are usually 100% hard surfaced with a narrow grille to deal with run-off.)

The total number of front gardens we want to survey is 499, per the distribution below, and we are looking for volunteers to help do the work over the summer in **W13, Greenford, Southall** –

opening hours are [here](#). We are sorry as this reduces availability considerably, but it will be for a few months till the Cafe re-opens.



More than 70 organisations from across multiple sectors have joined forces to create a [Charter for Trees, Woods and People](#) that will guide policy and practice in the UK. We believe the people of the UK have a right to the many benefits brought by trees and woods. The new Tree Charter, launching on 6 November 2017, will recognise, celebrate and protect this right.

The actual Charter will be signed using ink made to a recipe used by medieval monks in their manuscripts, so it will last! the ink involves galls from Oak Trees, and in response to an invitation, the Society contributed 250 grammes of [Oak Apples](#) from trees at Perivale Wood, to include in the ink that will be used. Many of these were from what may be our oldest tree, the pollarded, boundary Oak in the south east corner of the Reserve, which could be 400 years old.

the other areas are already being done by volunteers.

The task involves standing on the pavement outside the relevant property, estimating the extent of hard surfacing (making a best estimate, not actually measuring) and recording the hard surfacing material that have been used and other information about the front garden on a recording form provided. It only takes a minute or two to record the information for each property. But the addresses are spread out so there will be a fair amount of walking, cycling or driving to cover them all!

More information

from <http://www.ealingfrontgardens.org.uk/> and if you d like to volunteer ... there's a [contact form](#) or an [email address](#)



Celebrating the last days of Summer!



ANDREA TIERNEY Open Studio

Saturday, September 9
12-6pm

@ 10, Cathay Walk
Northolt, UB56TD

Watercolours,
oil & acrylic paintings

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