



# The Moreton Hall Wildlife Group WOODLAND WAYS NEWS November 2011

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## Programme of Events 2011- workparties on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

Please come and help. No experience necessary

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Date	Planned Activities	Meeting Point
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> November <b>CHANGE OF PLAN</b>	<b>Pond Covert</b> Container Tidy Up Autumn Maintenance	Woodland Ways Container Sebert Road
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 10 am to 12 noon	<b>Pond Covert/ Home Covert</b> Path maintenance	Moreton Hall Community Centre Car Park

Events are subject to change so please check beforehand.  
Weather, new needs etc can cause our plans to change occasionally

### Information about work parties

Everyone is welcome to come along, no experience necessary

The work parties last two hours but you don't have to stay to the end. We usually stop for coffee. Tools are provided. Children are very welcome if accompanied by a responsible adult.

Work parties start at 10 o'clock with a 'tools-talk'. Please don't miss this 5-minute 'what and why and how' safety talk.

### Would your group like to help in 2012?

Contact us if you would like to have a workparty just for you (minimum 10 people).



## Subscription renewal in October

Thanks for being a member of Woodland Ways. WW depends on its members as we have no paid staff.

Many thanks from the Woodland Ways Team if you have already renewed your subscription.

You should have received an annual reminder to renew by now. In case it's fallen down the back of the sofa, there's another opportunity to renew overleaf.

Please renew your subscription to Woodland Ways. As a small local charity, your support is essential.

Special thanks to the member who has donated a generous and very welcome £150

See inside for exciting invitation to fossil hunt on the banks of the River Deben in deepest darkest December!



## Subscription Renewal

The membership fee is just £5 per household

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### Workparty Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Woodland Ways Pond

There was a good turnout and lovely weather to rake the hay from the meadow, prune shrubs and coppice the trees near the pond. We've started the laborious

task of cutting back the ground ivy which has taken over the banks of the pond. The meadow is slowly becoming richer in flowers as a result of our work.

### Brownies Workparty Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November Pond Covert

We welcome back the Moreton Hall Brownies who will be resurfacing the main path through the wood to stop it going muddy in the winter.

CHANGE OF PLAN - POND COVERT Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
Please join us at 10am on at Pond Covert (Sebert Road)

### to tidy up the container and carry out autumn maintenance jobs in Pond Covert

If you have walked through Pond Covert recently you will have noticed a few changes. Firstly, close to the school entrance, Woodland Ways volunteers have cleared an area of brambles and elder bushes. The cuttings have been left in the wood to slowly rot down while providing a home for hibernating hedgehogs and toads. In early 2012 the cleared land will be planted with local varieties of fruit trees. When the trees mature passers-by can pick the fruit and the windfalls will feed the autumn and winter thrushes and other wildlife.

And secondly, St Edmundsbury Borough Council contractors have felled a number of trees in the covert. The trunks have been left to provide a unique and essential micro-habitat for insects and fungi.

### Invitation to Poke about for Fossil Poo with Woodland Ways!

You are invited to come along to Ramsholt Cliff on the River Deben near Woodbridge on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December to look for fossil sharks teeth and fossil dinosaur poo. Warm clothes, wellies, walking boots essential. Fascinating geological site – well worth the effort. If you would like to warm up at the Ramsholt Arms afterwards, please phone Nick Sibbert on 01284 723847 by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at the latest and he will book us a table for lunch. Meet at Community Centre carpark Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am for car sharing.