

JULY 2026

HYNDBURN NATURE RESERVES NEWSLETTER

The Hyndburn's Nature Reserves Project is aiming to improve biodiversity and accessibility at Peel Park & the Coppice LNR, Woodnook Vale LNR, and Jackhouse nature reserve. Join PROSPECTS for a variety of conservation activities to improve your conservation & heritage skills, meet new people, and keep fit!

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Upcoming volunteer sessions:

Weekly @Peel Park & the Coppice LNR [PPC]
(Every Monday 10am-1pm, meet in the car park next to the bowling green)

- Monday 6th - Grassland Survey
 - (OR you can Balsam Bash!)
- Monday 13th - Balsam Bash
- Monday 20th - Hedgerow Tidy
 - with Helen (TreeACTION)
- Monday 27th - **NO SESSION**

@Jackhouse nature reserve [JCK] - 1st and 3rd
Wednesday of the month, 10am-1pm, meet at main entrance:

- Wednesday 1st - Balsam Bash
- Wednesday 15th - Balsam Bash

@Woodnook Vale LNR [WVK] - 2nd and 4th
Wednesday of the month, 10am-1pm, various meeting locations, look at the street in bold:

- Wednesday 8th - **GrOWING WILD** - Balsam Bash
- Wednesday 22nd - **NO SESSION**

@PROSPECTS COMMUNITY TREE NURSERY -
Thursday 2nd - Wildflower Care & Balsam Bash

Upcoming Events:

- Grassland Condition Assessment & UKHAB Survey Workshop @Pleck Meadow (Learn meadow habitat management and ID skills!)
 - Monday 6th July (10:00am - 3:00pm)**
- Bilberry Picking Walk (1pm - 3pm)
 - Sunday 12th July - Meet at Coppice Car Park
- PoMS Training (Pollinator Monitoring Scheme) (10am-3pm)
 - Friday 17th July (**BOOKING REQUIRED**) @PROSPECTS

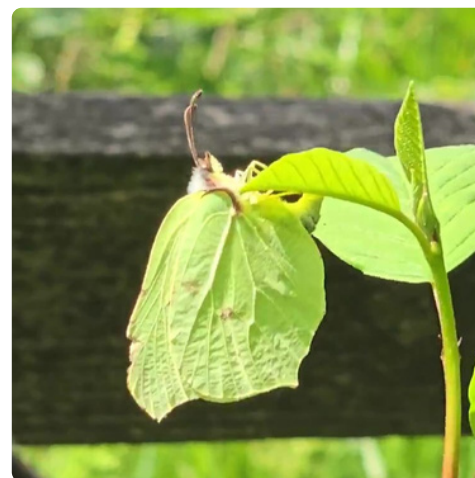
"Friends Of" Sessions:

- Balsam Bash w/ Friends of Arden Hall & the Coppice
 - Thursday 16th July (6.30pm-8:30pm)** | Meeting location TBD | Social in the Peel Park Pub afterwards.
- Fortnightly Balsam Bash w/ Friends of Jackhouse (Meet at Jackhouse Entrance)
 - Saturday 11th (10am-12pm)**
 - Saturday 25th (10am-12pm)**

CONTACT ROBERT TO REGISTER INTEREST IN ANY SESSIONS OR EVENTS!

June 2026 HIGHLIGHTS

- The HNR Vols and Friends of groups were very busy in June removing tonnes of Himalayan Balsam!
- There are hundreds of orchids now on display across our meadows, it's a great time of year to go out and see the wildflowers blooming.
- Over 10 volunteers, including some staff from Virgin Media, came to tidy up our Alder Buckthorn hedgerow. The hedgerow was planted to attract Brimstone butterflies which we saw at the start of the month!
- Project Officer Robert appeared at many events planting veggies, testing out our new smoothie bike, and making rush bracelets.



1. Brimstone Butterfly @PPC



2. New Benches! @PPC



3. Northern Marsh Orchids @JCK



4. Moth Morning



5. The new Mayor of Hyndburn testing out our new Smoothie Bike!



6. Volunteers are removing tonnes of Himalayan Balsam!