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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 Coppice Car Park* at the end of Peel Park Ave.

- Monday 5th - Meadow Mgmt
- Monday 12th - Seed Collecting & Meadow Mgmt
- Monday 19th - Meadow Mgmt
- Monday 26th - Butterfly Bank Tidy & Seed Sowing

**EVERY
MONDAY
10am-1pm**

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

- Wednesday 7th - Meadow Mgmt
- Wednesday 21st - Meadow Mgmt

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

- Weds 14th - **Hollins Ln** GrOWING WILD - Scything Day
- Weds 28th - **Royds St** - Entrance Tidy

Upcoming Events:

- **Autumn at Arden Hall walk**
 - Sunday 18th Oct - 1pm-3pm - Meet at Arden Hall Gates
- **Half-term Halloween Decoration Family-friendly FREE Crafting Activities @Prospects Shop, 54 Broadway - Drop-in between 10am-2pm.**
 - **Natural Scarecrow Making** - Thursday 22nd Oct
 - **Twig Spider Webs** - Thursday 29th Oct

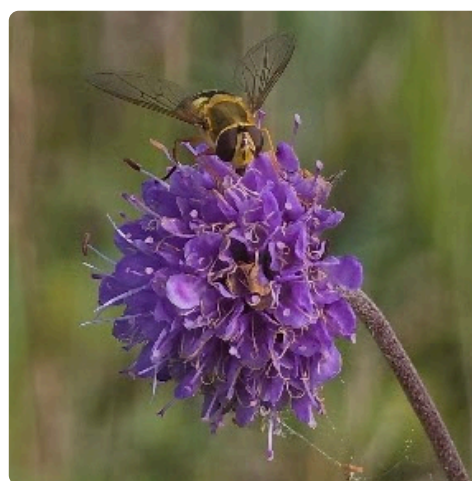
"Friends Of" Sessions:

- **Litter-picking w/ Friends of Arden Hall & the Coppice**
 - **Sunday 4th Oct (9:00am-12:00pm)** | Meeting location Arden Hall Gates

CONTACT ROBERT TO REGISTER INTEREST IN ANY SESSIONS OR EVENTS!

September 2026 HIGHLIGHTS

- All the major meadow cut & collects are now complete! All three reserves have had a trim and we are anticipating even more wildflower blooms next year. Stay tuned for seed sowing events this autumn (predominantly Yellow Rattle) and in spring 2027.
- Volunteers have helped with smaller cut and collects through use of hand tools.
- We held a successful bat walk at Jackhouse Nature Reserve with dozens of bats spotted around the reserve's lodge.
- We wrapped up balsam bashing sessions for the year and even had a helping hand from United Utilities staff at Jackhouse.
- Wildflowers and pollinators are winding down now, but you can still see some like Autumn Hawkbit & Devil's-bit Scabious.



1. Hoverfly on Devil's-bit Scabious



2. Yellow Rattle Seed Sowing



3. Scything Day @PPC



4. Tractor Cut @Pleck Meadow



5. Bat Walk at Jackhouse - we saw lots of bats around the reserve!



6. Participants also got a look at some other nocturnal critters like this Canary-shouldered Thorn moth.