



# Practical Conservation Calendar

Winter 2025

## Useful information for Task Days

### Things you need to know:

- Task days start at 10am (9am at Potteric Carr) and usually run until 4pm
- Booking is preferred for every task, please contact the leader listed for the task day to book your place.
- New volunteers will need to provide emergency contact details and relevant medical details before beginning, just in case of any incident or accident.
- We ask those coming on task days to arrive with clean footwear, this should be done before arriving on site. This is to limit the spread and damage of invasive non-native species.
- Many of our reserves are rural or remote with limited welfare facilities. Toilets and running water are only available at Potteric Carr, Spurn and Stirley Farm. Contact the leader listed if you require any information regarding welfare facilities near to your chosen task day.
- We'll provide hand washing facilities (where possible) and hand sanitiser but do bring your own supply of hand sanitiser/wipes.
- Under 18's: For young people under 16 we will require parents or guardians to come along too. Young people aged 16 or 17 can volunteer without the need for an accompanying adult but we would need a parental consent form completed before you start volunteering.

## What you should bring

- A packed lunch and plenty to drink.
- Hard-wearing shoes, boots or wellies.
- Old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.
- Waterproofs, sunscreen and insect repellent when necessary, you never know what the weather will do!
- Tools and gloves will be provided.

Please visit [www.ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves](http://www.ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves) for directions to sites.

## Corporate Volunteers

Corporate businesses wishing to arrange use of their corporate volunteering allowance should contact our Corporate Partnerships Officer for support: [fundraising@ywt.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@ywt.org.uk)

☎ 01904 659570 (Option 2) ✉ [volunteering@ywt.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@ywt.org.uk)

## NORTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### ASHES PASTURE

Nearest town: Ingleton

### Tree aftercare/dry stone walling

Tuesday 11th March

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk

### AUSTWICK MOSS

Nearest town: Settle

### Scrub clearance/felling

Tuesday 18th February

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
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### BEACON FARM, SNEATON

Nearest town: Whitby

### Tree planting

Thursday 30th January

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
07774 586922  
chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### BIRCH WOOD

Nearest town: Helmsley

### Woodland management

Wednesday 8th January

**Contact:** James Marshall  
07768 267402  
james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

### BISHOP MONKTON RAILWAY CUTTING

Nearest town: Ripon

**Coppicing**  
Tuesday 18th February  
Thursday 20th February

**Contact:** Matt Cross  
07467 491108  
matt.cross@ywt.org.uk

### BURTON LEONARD LIME QUARRIES

Nearest town: Boroughbridge

**Coppicing**  
Tuesday 21st January  
Thursday 23rd January

**Contact:** Matt Cross  
07467 491108  
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### BURTON RIGGS

Nearest town: Scarborough

**Reserve management**  
Thursday 2nd January  
Thursday 6th February  
Thursday 6th March

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### CHAFFER WOOD

Nearest town: Pickering

**Reserve management**  
Wednesday 15th January

### Tree planting

Wednesday 12th March  
Wednesday 19th March

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
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### FEN BOG

Nearest town: Pickering

**Scrub clearance**  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 19th February

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
peter.christopherson@ywt.org.uk

### FERN FARM, NORMANBY

Nearest town: Whitby

### Hedge planting

Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 29th January  
Monday 17th February

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
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chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### FILEY DAMS

Nearest town: Filey

**Reserve maintenance**  
Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 5th February  
Wednesday 5th March

**Contact:** Peter Christopherson  
07787 535812  
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### GARBUTT WOOD

Nearest town: Thirsk

**Holly clearance**  
Wednesday 12th February



Hedgelaying at Leyburn Old Glebe

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**Contact:** James Marshall  
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james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

### GRASS WOOD

**Nearest town:** Grassington

### Ash felling/clearance

Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 29th January  
Wednesday 5th February  
Wednesday 26th February  
Wednesday 5th March  
Wednesday 19th March

### Coppicing and wire removal

Saturday 22nd February

### Woodland management

Saturday 25th January

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk

### GREYSTONES FARM, NORMANBY

**Nearest town:** Whitby

### Hedge planting

Tuesday 14th January  
Monday 10th February  
Tuesday 11th February

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
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### LEYBURN OLD GLEBE

**Nearest town:** Leyburn

### Hedgelaying

Wednesday 12th January

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
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### LOW CARR FARM

**Nearest town:** Pickering

### Reserve maintenance

Wednesday 29th January  
Wednesday 26th February  
Wednesday 26th March

**Contact:** James Marshall  
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james.marshall@ywt.org.uk

### MANOR FARM, NORMANBY

**Nearest town:** Whitby

**Hedge planting**  
Wednesday 5th February

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
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### RIGG HALL, SNEATONTHORPE

**Nearest town:** Whitby

### Tree planting

Monday 3rd February  
Tuesday 4th February  
Monday 24th February

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
07774 586922  
chris.watt@ywt.org.uk

### RIPON CITY WETLANDS

**Nearest town:** Ripon

### Scrub control

Tuesday 14th January  
Thursday 16th January  
Tuesday 4th February  
Thursday 6th February  
Tuesday 25th February  
Thursday 27th February  
Tuesday 18th March  
Thursday 20th March

**Contact:** Matt Cross  
07467 491108  
matt.cross@ywt.org.uk

### RUSSELL HALL, STAINSACRE

**Nearest town:** Whitby

**Hedge planting**  
Tuesday 28th January

**Contact:** Christopher Watt  
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### SEMERWATER

**Nearest town:** Hawes

### Hedgelaying

Wednesday 15th January  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 12th February

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
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### STAVELEY

**Nearest town:** Boroughbridge

### Fencing or scrub control

Tuesday 7th January  
Thursday 9th January  
Tuesday 28th January  
Thursday 30th January  
Tuesday 11th February  
Thursday 13th February  
Tuesday 11th March  
Thursday 13th March

**Contact:** Matt Cross  
07467 491108  
matt.cross@ywt.org.uk

### STILLINGTON (PRIVATE FARM), FOSS CATCHMENT PROJECT

**Nearest town:** Stillington

### Tree planting

Friday 17th January  
Friday 7th February  
Tuesday 11th February  
Thursday 13th February  
Monday 17th February

### Hedge planting

Wednesday 26th February  
Thursday 27th February

**Hedge/tree planting**  
Friday 28th February

**Contact:** Monika Smieja  
07721 961104  
monika.smieja@ywt.org.uk

### UPPER DUNSFORTH CARRS

**Nearest town:** Boroughbridge

**Rush control**  
Tuesday 4th March  
Thursday 6th March

### Fencing and scrub control

Tuesday 25th March  
Thursday 27th March

**Contact:** Matt Cross  
07467 491108  
matt.cross@ywt.org.uk

### WEYBECK'S PASTURE

**Nearest town:** Grassington

**Dry stone walling**  
Saturday 15th March

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk

### WILD INGLEBOROUGH

**Nearest town:** Horton-in-Ribblesdale

### Tree planting

Tuesday 7th January  
Tuesday 14th January  
Tuesday 21st January  
Tuesday 28th January  
Tuesday 4th February  
Saturday 8th February  
Tuesday 18th February  
Tuesday 25th February  
Tuesday 4th March  
Tuesday 11th March  
Saturday 15th March  
Tuesday 25th March

**Contact:** Liz Coates  
01904 916367  
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**Info and booking:**  
wildingleborough.com/  
get-involved

### YELLANDS MEADOW

**Nearest town:** Reeth

**Fencing and gate repairs**  
Wednesday 26th March

**Contact:** Graham Standing  
07795 644123  
graham.standing@ywt.org.uk





CLIVE STONES

## COASTAL RESERVES

### BRIDLINGTON NORTH BEACH

Nearest town: Bridlington

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 4th January  
Saturday 1st February  
Saturday 1st March

### FILEY SOUTH

Nearest town: Filey

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Sunday 16th February

### SCARBOROUGH NORTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Saturday 4th January  
Saturday 1st February  
Saturday 1st March

### SCARBOROUGH SOUTH

Nearest town: Scarborough

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Sunday 30th March

### SOUTH LANDING, FLAMBOROUGH

Nearest town: Bridlington

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Thursday 6th March

### SPURN POINT

Nearest town: Hull

#### Waves of Waste beach clean

Sunday 30th March

To book a place on any of these beach clean days please visit: [www.ywt.org.uk/beach-cleans](http://www.ywt.org.uk/beach-cleans)

## EAST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### ASKHAM BOG

Nearest town: York

#### Scrub clearance

Wednesday 15th January  
Wednesday 29th January  
Wednesday 19th March  
Wednesday 26th March

Contact: Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

#### Scrub clearance

Wednesday 12th February

Contact: Matt Samuel

07721 951900

matthew.samuel@ywt.org.uk

### BOLTON PERCY STATION YARD

Nearest town: Tadcaster

#### Scrub clearance

Wednesday 26th February

Contact: Dave Powell

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### CALI HEATH

Nearest town: Pocklington

#### Meadow management

Wednesday 5th February

Contact: Dave Powell

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### JEFFRY BOG

Nearest town: Malton

#### Meadow management

Wednesday 19th February

Contact: Dave Powell

07977 287012

david.powell@ywt.org.uk

### SPURN

Nearest town: Withernsea

#### Brown tail moth clearance

Tuesday 7th January  
Thursday 9th January  
Tuesday 14th January  
Thursday 16th January  
Tuesday 21st January  
Thursday 23rd January  
Tuesday 28th January  
Thursday 30th January  
Tuesday 4th February  
Thursday 6th February  
Tuesday 11th February  
Thursday 13th February  
Tuesday 18th February  
Thursday 20th February  
Tuesday 25th February  
Thursday 27th February  
Tuesday 4th March  
Thursday 6th March

#### Practical reserve management

Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 15th January  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 29th January



Waves of Waste volunteers

SARA TELLING OUR STORIES VOLUNTEER

Wednesday 5th February  
Wednesday 12th February  
Wednesday 19th February  
Wednesday 26th February  
Wednesday 5th March  
Wednesday 12th March  
Wednesday 5th March  
Wednesday 5th March  
Wednesday 12th March  
Wednesday 19th March  
Wednesday 26th March

**Contact:** Clare Galpin  
07957480119  
clare.galpin@ywt.org.uk

## STRENSALL COMMON

**Nearest town:** York

### Scrub clearance

Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 12th March

**Contact:** Dave Powell  
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david.powell@ywt.org.uk

## Highland cattle at Stirley



## SOUTH YORKSHIRE RESERVES

### BARNSELY NATURE RESERVES

**Nearest town:** Barnsley

#### Reserve management

Friday 3rd January  
Friday 17th January  
Saturday 25th January  
Friday 7th February  
Friday 21st February  
Saturday 22nd February  
Friday 7th March  
Friday 21st March  
Saturday 29th March

**Contact:** Sophie Pinder  
07896 674808  
sophie.pinder@ywt.org.uk

### DENABY INGS

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Reserve management

Thursday 13th February  
Thursday 13th March

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

### DOVESIDE

**Nearest town:** Barnsley

#### Reserve management

Thursday 27th February

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

### HUMBERHEAD LEVELS

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Practical Reserve Management

Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 15th January  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 29th January  
Wednesday 5th February  
Wednesday 12th February  
Wednesday 19th February  
Wednesday 26th February  
Wednesday 5th March  
Wednesday 12th March  
Wednesday 19th March  
Wednesday 26th March

**Contact:** Helen Norford  
07885 799712  
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### MALTBY LOW COMMON

**Nearest town:** Rotherham

#### Reserve management

Thursday 6th March

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
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### MANOR FARM

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Hedgelaying

Thursday 23rd January

#### Reserve management

Thursday 20th March

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
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### OWSTON MEADOWS

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Meadow management

Thursday 9th January

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

### PARSON'S CARR

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Reserve management

Thursday 30th January  
Thursday 20th February

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

### POTTERIC CARR

**Nearest town:** Doncaster

#### Woodland management

Thursday 16th January  
Thursday 6th February

**Contact:** Katie Baker  
katie.baker@ywt.org.uk

#### Reserve management

Thursday 27th March  
Sunday 5th January  
Tuesday 7th January  
Tuesday 14th January

#### Volunteer on Wild Ingleborough



Sunday 19th January  
Tuesday 21st January  
Sunday 26th January  
Tuesday 28th January  
Sunday 2nd February  
Tuesday 4th February  
Sunday 9th February  
Tuesday 11th February  
Tuesday 18th February  
Sunday 23rd February  
Tuesday 25th February  
Sunday 2nd March  
Tuesday 4th March  
Sunday 9th March  
Tuesday 11th March  
Tuesday 18th March  
Tuesday 25th March  
Sunday 30th March

**Contact:** Mark Roberts  
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# WEST YORKSHIRE RESERVES

## BROADHEAD CLOUGH

**Nearest town:** Mytholmroyd

### Woodland management

Friday 10th January  
Friday 7th February

### Grassland management

Friday 7th March

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07824 542314  
connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

## BROCKADALE

**Nearest town:** Pontefract

### Meadow and scrub management

Wednesday 8th January  
Wednesday 22nd January  
Wednesday 5th February  
Wednesday 19th February  
Thursday 27th February  
Wednesday 19th March

**Contact:** Karen McDiarmid  
07780 666173  
karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

## LEDSHAM BANK

**Nearest town:** Castleford

### Hedgelaying

Friday 24th January  
Friday 21st February

### Reserve management

Friday 21st March

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
07824 542314  
connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

## LOWER AIRE VALLEY

**Nearest town:** SE Leeds

### Reserve management

Tuesday 14th January  
Friday 24th January  
Tuesday 11th February  
Friday 21st February  
Tuesday 11th March  
Friday 21st March

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
07824 542314  
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### Reserve management

Tuesday 7th January  
Tuesday 4th February  
Tuesday 4th March

**Contact:** Karen McDiarmid  
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### Reserve management

Friday 10th January  
Friday 7th February  
Friday 7th March

**Contact:** Mary Painter  
07795 644125  
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### Reserve management

Tuesday 21st January  
Tuesday 28th January  
Tuesday 18th February  
Tuesday 25th February  
Tuesday 18th March  
Tuesday 25th March  
Friday 17th January  
Friday 14th February  
Friday 14th March



Potteric in the snow

**Contact:** Peter Gurney  
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peter.gurney@ywt.org.uk

## SHERBURN WILLOWS

**Nearest town:** Sherburn in Elmet

### Fen management

Wednesday 15th January  
Wednesday 26th March

### Meadow and scrub management

Wednesday 12th February  
Thursday 13th March

**Contact:** Karen McDiarmid  
07780 666173  
karen.mcdiarmid@ywt.org.uk

## STOCKSMOOR COMMON

**Nearest town:** Wakefield

### Scrub control

Thursday 23rd January  
Thursday 20th February  
Thursday 20th March

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
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connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

## STONEYCLIFFE WOOD

**Nearest town:** Wakefield

### Woodland management

Thursday 9th January  
Thursday 6th February  
Thursday 6th March

**Contact:** Connor Byers  
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connor.byers@ywt.org.uk

## WILLOW GARTH

**Nearest town:** Knottingley

### Reed bed management

Wednesday 29th January  
Wednesday 26th February

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get-involved/volunteer](http://ywt.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer)



Volunteers at Stirley

LAWRENCE DAVENHILL

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