

## **FRIENDS OF HOLLINSWOOD & RANDLAY VALLEY**

### **Environmental Officer's report to Hollinswood & Randlay Parish Council**

#### **Volunteer Days**

Further to the last meeting, our volunteer days have been successful, and we have had some new faces and Nova Training are very keen to attend every month. This summer we have targeted the bridleway on the Randlay side. I want to say a big thank you to Glyn who represented me at the last volunteer day to help assist Nova Training on their first day.

#### **Evening Volunteer Day**

I've got to say these have been very successful. We have had a very good attendance on our evening volunteer day. We have planned a project to hopefully finish in the Winter period which you can see in our work plan. When the clocks go back, we will need to discuss what will happen - maybe we can consider weekends through the Winter months?

#### **Pond**

I have had a company come to quote me on the work which may need doing at the pond which hopefully can be done, or some additional work can be done if our grant application goes well. Rachel Bates is going to send me all the paperwork to apply for the grant very soon as the end date for applications is end of September.

#### **Events**

I believe that the summer activities in the Valley were a big success with lot of people coming into the Valley to explore the woods.

Shropshire Wildlife mentioned that they had an average of 20 families what attended all the sessions – this is really good for the Valley!

The bat walk was also very successful and informative with Rachel – we both hope the people who attended learnt a lot. I know I did.

Crafts in the Valley with Sheenagh was also very successful with Portal Kids attended this with some families, too.

I just want to say a big thank you to everyone who helped me to arrange this. My goal was to have somewhere where families could attend for free and enjoy themselves without worrying about anything. This was achieved.

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