

**Volunteer Work Parties – July and August 2014**

**The Morecambe Bay Nature Improvement Area needs you to help us to improve the habitat for Morecambe Bay’s special species! We’ll be working with our partners – Butterfly Conservation, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, Lancashire Wildlife Trust, National Trust, and RSPB over the coming months, and would love to see you join us.**

<p><b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Grassland Management – Grubbins Wood, Arnside</b> Join us at Cumbria Wildlife Trust’s Grubbins Wood reserve to pull thistles on docks on this limestone grassland site overlooking the Bay at Arnside.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Grubbins Wood, Arnside. Grid ref: SD446 780. Limited parking on shore.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Grassland Management – Levens</b> Come and join us at Lane End Farm, Levens to pull ragwort and collect wildflower seeds to help restore grassland.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Heaves Dairy, Levens. Grid ref: SD491 866. Parking space for 6 cars in laybys adjacent to the Dairy.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July: Grassland Management – Holme Stinted Pasture</b> Join us at this marvellous grassland site to help manage bracken for some of our most threatened butterflies.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Clawthorpe Lane. Grid ref: SD 54535 78421. Parking in lay-by.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August: Reed Bed Creation – Brigsteer</b> Join us at this flagship National Trust wetland re-creation project at Park End Farm, Brigsteer when we will be planting out common reed (<i>Phragmites australis</i>) plugs.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Brigsteer Wood. Grid ref: SD 485 886.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August: Limestone and Meadow Restoration – Brigsteer</b> Two sessions 10 – 2pm and 4pm – 8pm. Join us on this National Trust site to help us plant wildflower plugs to restore limestone grassland and meadow at Park End Farm, Brigsteer.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Brigsteer Wood. Grid ref: SD 485 886. Parking in layby inside the Wood.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August: Grassland Management – Arnside</b> Join us and the National Trust to help keep their grassland around Arnside Knott in great condition.</p> <p><b>Meet</b> at Arnside Knott Car Park. Grid ref: SD 450 774.</p>

**Days typically start at 10am and finish no later than 4pm – see individual listings for more details.**

**What do I need to bring?** You’ll need appropriate outdoor clothing, including waterproofs, and stout footwear. You should also bring a packed lunch and a drink. Please be aware a number of these sites have a problem with ticks.

**How much does it cost?** All our days are completely free of charge.

**Do I need to book?** We normally operate on a no-need-to-book basis. We will need some basic emergency contact information; you will then be covered by insurance.

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