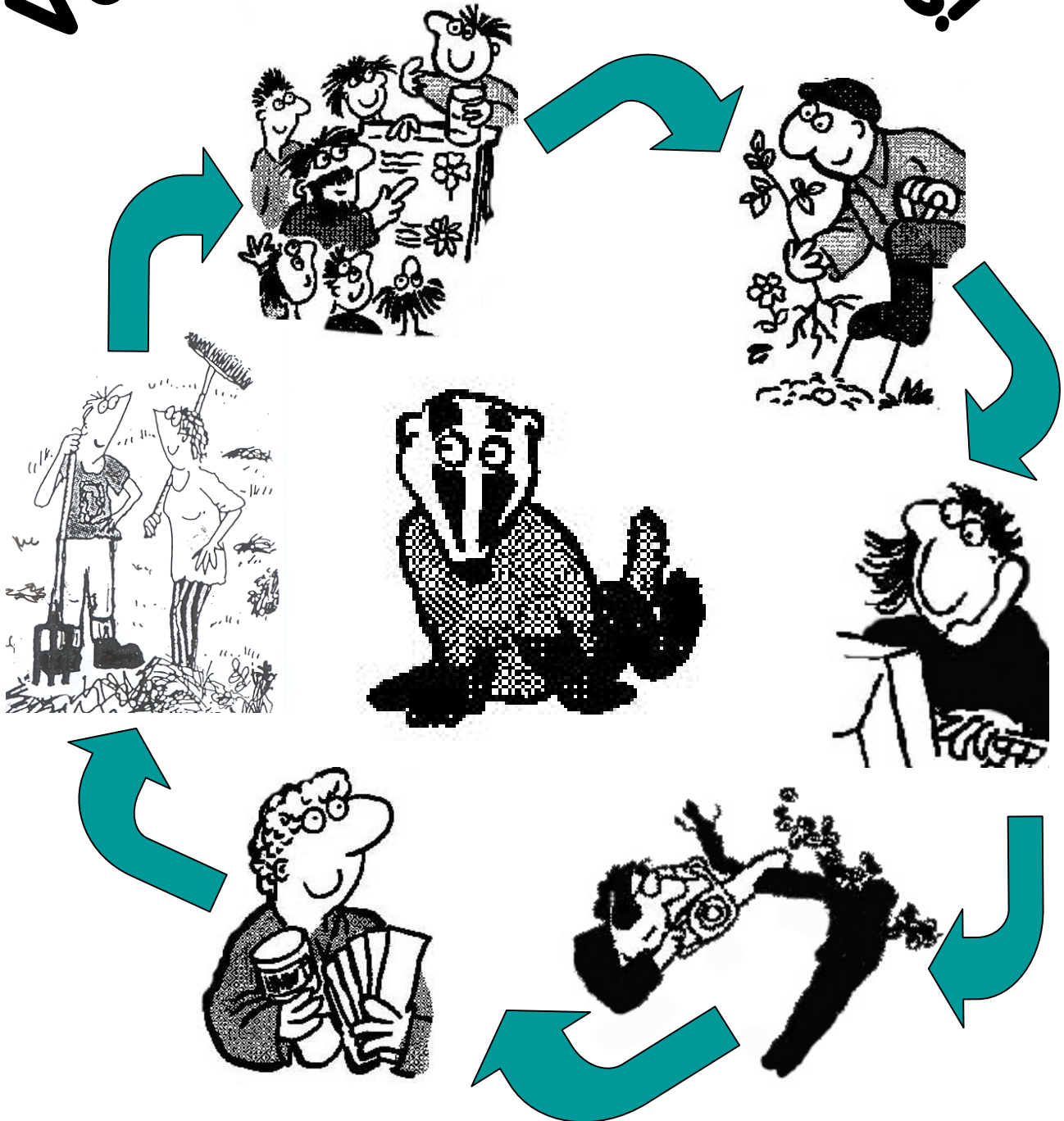


Volunteering Matters!



HMWT Volunteer Appreciation Awards

Protecting Wildlife for the Future

Volunteer Appreciation Awards

A volunteer who is willing to give their time freely is one of the greatest tributes Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust can ever receive. Every year hundreds of volunteers choose to do just this. Volunteers help raise the funds and awareness that keep our wildlife and wild places better protected. They help us extend our work on protecting local places of natural value and bring valuable experience to the charity.

The outstanding contribution of our volunteers is vital to us and is formally recognised through our Volunteer Appreciation Awards. These annual awards provide a wonderful way for us to thank everyone, and honour the contribution of extraordinary voluntary support that we receive each year.

Making a Nomination

The awards recognise the contribution of volunteers who have demonstrated their commitment and dedication over and above usual expectations.

Any individual who has volunteered for Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust is eligible to be nominated for a Volunteer Appreciation Award.

Nominations are welcome from members, other volunteers, Trustees and employees.

We encourage you to think widely and generously when making your nominations.

To nominate someone for an award, simply complete and return the attached nomination form.

Judging Process

The system for selecting nominations will ensure that the awards are fair.

The ultimate decision on who will receive the awards will be made by the Board of Trustees.

The nominee is expected to have made an exceptional contribution to the work of the Trust -

- Over a considerably long period of time, whether through work in reserves conservation, fund raising, administration or raising the Trust's profile in the two counties.
- Through a major and notable contribution to the Trust's development in a specific area over a more limited period
- Through a diversity and breadth of impact on the Trust.

When completing your nomination form, it is important that you try and demonstrate one or more of the above. Please feel free to supply additional information to support your nomination.

All nominations must be received at Grebe House by the **8th July 2011**. The Judging Panel will consider all nominations and make recommendations for selection to the Trust's Council at their meeting in July. Successful nominees will be informed after selections have been made as soon as possible.

The Judging Panel

All applications will be considered by a Judging Panel comprised of the Chairman, Chief Executive and three Trustees.

The judges may request further background information about the individual before making a final decision.

The Awards

The awards are presented annually, at the Trust's AGM in October or at the Volunteer Appreciation Event in November.

