

## WHY GET INVOLVED?

“ For fresh air and fun, in good company whilst doing my bit for wildlife. ”

**RON McMURRAY, HERTS AND MIDDLESEX WILDLIFE TRUST VOLUNTEER**

“ Looking out over the marsh, cup of tea in hand, surrounded by like-minded people, after a morning's work cutting and raking the reeds – life doesn't get much better than this. ”

**ANDREW TOMLINS,  
HARLOW CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS**

“ Volunteering with the Greenteam has given me the opportunity to learn new skills including my chainsaw certification. Conservation is now a path I have chosen for a future career and it is through volunteering I have realised this. ”

**DANNY KINGS,  
HARLOW GREENTEAM**



## EVENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers to help out at events in the Stort Valley, from leading guided walks to helping out on refreshments stalls. No experience is necessary just lots of enthusiasm! If you are interested in finding out more please contact Amy Wheeler:

**tel:** 01727 858901  
**email:** stort.valley@hmwt.org

## WILDLIFE SITE SURVEYORS

Carry out botanical surveys on Wildlife Sites across Hertfordshire on behalf of the Wildlife Sites Partnership. Surveys take place between March and July. Some botanical knowledge is required. More information:

**tel:** Jennifer Gilbert at HMWT 01727 858901  
**email:** jennifer.gilbert@hmwt.org

## WETLANDS FOR WATER VOLES AND PEOPLE PROJECT!

Help the HLF funded 'Wetlands for Water Voles and People' Project to get a better idea of water vole populations throughout Hertfordshire including in the Stort Valley. If you would like to learn how to survey for water voles and get 'in-vole-ved' with the project:

**tel:** Ali Hauser at HMWT 01727 858901  
**email:** water.vole@hmwt.org

## THE STORT VALLEY PARTNERSHIP

An informal working group delivering activities and projects within the Stort Valley focussed on biodiversity, landscape, heritage, access, recreation and education.

Partners include British Waterways, Epping Forest District Council, Environment Agency, Essex Wildlife Trust, Groundwork Hertfordshire, Harlow District Council, Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust, Hertfordshire County Council Countryside Management Service, Lee Valley Regional Park Authority, Natural England.

### Need to know more?

Connecting People with the Stort Valley Project Officer

**tel:** Amy Wheeler at HMWT 01727 858901  
**email:** stort.valley@hmwt.org

[www.stortvalley.org](http://www.stortvalley.org)

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# LOOKING TO HELP NATURE?



**The Stort Valley**  
MAKE THE OUTDOORS YOURS

# STORT VALLEY VOLUNTEER GROUPS



## HARLOW GREENTEAM



**When?** 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month.  
**Time?** 10am-3pm.  
**Where?** Harlow Wildlife Sites. Site depending on task.  
**Type of tasks?** Tree felling, pond clearance, bridge building, boardwalks and much more.  
**Contact:** Glenn Mulleady 01279 430005 or glenn.mulleady@harlow.gov.uk

## HARLOW CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS



**When?** Alternate Sundays.  
**Time?** 10am-4pm.  
**Where?** Harlow Nature Reserves. Site depending on task.  
**Type of tasks?** All kinds of conservation management tasks plus public access construction on a variety of sites.  
**Contact:** Andrew Tomlins 01279 434322 or hcv@harlowwildlife.org.uk www.harlowwildlife.org.uk

## ESSEX WILDLIFE TRUST VOLUNTEERS / SAWBRIDGEWORTH MARSH



**When?** Every Sunday (some Tuesdays & Thursdays, March to September).  
**Time?** 9.30am-11.30am Sundays  
6pm-7pm Tuesdays & Thursdays.  
**Where?** Sawbridgeworth Marsh.  
**Type of tasks?** Coppicing and pollarding willows, clearing fen drains and ponds, mowing and clearing of reedbeds, sedgebeds and wet meadows.  
**Contact:** Andy Sapsford 01279 725017 or Andrew.i.sapsford@gsk.com

## ESSEX WILDLIFE TRUST VOLUNTEERS / UTTLESFORD GROUP WORK PARTY



**When?** Tuesdays, Thursdays and some Sundays.  
**Time?** 9.30am—12.30pm.  
**Where?** Uttlesford Borough. Site depending on task.  
**Type of tasks?** All types of conservation work: meadow mowing, coppicing, fencing and hedge cutting.  
**Contact:** Michael Rowley 01799 550378

## FRIENDS OF PISHIOBURY PARK

**Wanted!** Volunteers for Pishiobury Park historic parkland near Sawbridgeworth.  
**When?** Starting Spring 2010.  
**Where?** Pishiobury Park.  
**Type of tasks?** Tree planting, pruning, maintenance of benches and fences.  
**Contact:** Fiona Underhill 01462 459395 or northeast.cms@hertscc.gov.uk Also see www.hertsdirect.org/cms for other volunteering opportunities, or contact East Herts District Council: 01279 655261 or operations.admin@eastherts.gov.uk



## RIVERS NURSERY ORCHARD



**When?** 1st Sunday of the month.  
**Time?** 10.30am—1.30pm.  
**Where?** Rivers Nursery Orchard, Sawbridgeworth.  
**Type of tasks?** Pruning, removing suckers, clearing weeds and grass from bases of trees, ditch clearing and planting.  
**Contact:** Kate Yarnold 07887 763258 or rnsog@hotmail.com

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