

# 2019 Mid-Week Programme October to December

*This list may change at short notice please ring first or meet at the pick up point*

## **OCTOBER**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> **Thriplow Meadows SSSI** – The trial cut last autumn on the site has worked! That and keeping the cows grazing on the Meadows over the summer, has meant that the once dominant sedges and rushes have given way to marsh thistle, marsh valerian and more. Let's see how the site looks this time next year!
- 9<sup>th</sup> **Barnwell East LNR** – This valuable little site hasn't been getting the amount of attention from the team that it needs. So, there will be Michaelmas Daisy and popped scrub flying during this task!!!
- 16<sup>th</sup> **Shepreth Moor nature reserve SSSI** – An occasional site for the team, no doubt crying out for more visits by the team! It's cries have been heard and the team will spend the day ridding the site of encroaching hawthorn and bramble clumps!
- 23<sup>rd</sup> **Roman Road SSSI** – Cutting, popping, racking, burning. All in a day's work for the Midweek team! The quality of the species rich chalk grassland is testament to the hard work carried out by the team over the years.
- 30<sup>th</sup> **Roman Road SSSI** – As above.

## **NOVEMBER**

- 6<sup>th</sup> **Great Abington Disused Railway CWS** – Last year's Christmas party venue is having its annual visit to cut the grass and open up the ground to allow all number of chalk loving plant species a spot in the sun!
- 13<sup>th</sup> **Coldhams Common CWS** – Not wanting to sound like a broken record, the task for the team involves some cutting, raking, popping and burning. All this creates a grassland rich in wildlife on one of the most important wildlife sites in Cambridge.
- 20<sup>th</sup> **Roman Road SSSI** – As above.
- 27<sup>th</sup> **Coldhams Common CWS** – As above

## **DECEMBER**

- 4<sup>th</sup> **Clare Wood** – The team didn't manage to get to this site last year, so, unfortunately there is a lot of work needed to be done. There will be cutting, raking, popping etc. to open up the glades and knock back the scrub.
- 11<sup>th</sup> **NO TASK**
- 18<sup>th</sup> **Great Wilbraham Common SSSI** – Christmas comes but once a year...but thankfully, scrub clearance happens far more often! The usual glad tidings, mince pies and jacket potatoes to celebrate the work of the team for another year!
- 25<sup>th</sup> **CHRISTMAS DAY - NO TASK**

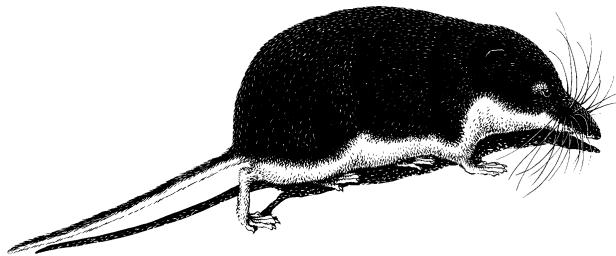


## Directions to work sites

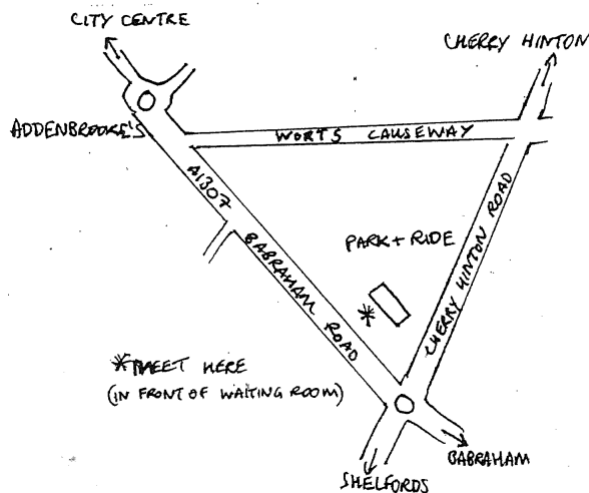
**Barnwell East LNR** - Meet at the reserve entrance on Uphall Road, off Coldhams Lane.

**Clare Wood** - Meet at the far end of Bentley Road, off Trumpington Road.

**Coldhams Common LNR** - Meet at the layby on Barnwell Road opposite Camgas plc.



## BABRAHAM ROAD PARK AND RIDE



The Trust has now combined the two volunteer conservation teams into one. Now working solely on Wednesdays the team will carry out essential conservation management on wildlife sites within Cambridge and in the surrounding parishes.

For sites in the City the team will meet there, for those out of the city volunteers can either make their own way to the site, or can meet at the Babraham Road Park and Ride site at 9.30am for a lift.

Things you need to know

Bring a packed lunch.

Wear old clothes, strong shoes and bring waterproofs.

All tools and necessary training is provided.

Arrive at site the work site for 9.30am and finish by 3.30pm.

Don't forget your tetanus jab.

And most importantly of all...tea and biscuits are provided.

Details on how to get to each site can be found on this leaflet.

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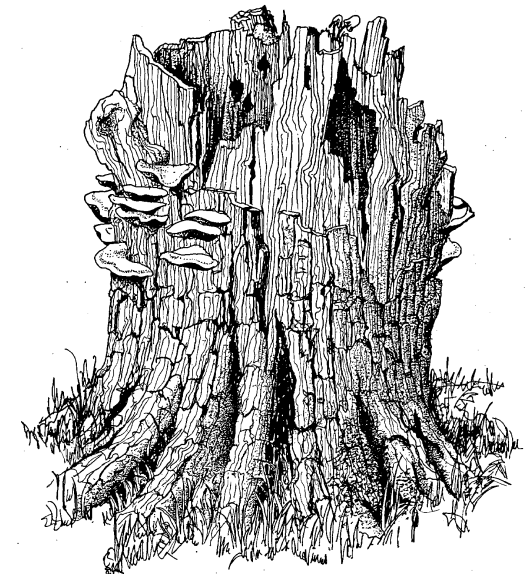
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## CAMBRIDGE MIDWEEK CONSERVATION TEAM



ROTTEN STUMP  
(FULL OF LIFE!)

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