

## BOOKING

Unless otherwise stated please phone **01869-600952** before a project to let us know you're coming, or email via the website.

### MEETING POINTS

See separate information for detailed maps

### CHILDREN

Under-16s accompanied by a guardian are welcome.

**WE PROVIDE** All tools, training and refreshments.

**PLEASE WEAR** Old clothes and sturdy shoes or boots (trainers not advisable).

**TETANUS** Please ensure that your tetanus inoculation

is up to date. **MOBILE ON DAY:** 07708 400781

# Bicester Green Gym®



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## Programme May-June 2017

DATE & TIME	MEETING PLACE	ACTIVITY	NOTES / EXTRA WORK
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 9:30-12:30	Co-Op Bure Park. <i>See note overleaf</i>	Water Blitz – then return for Upper Path repair.	Sampling to test for nitrates and phosphates <b>NEW</b>
THURS 11 <sup>th</sup> May 9:30 -12:30	Workforce volunteer day – Langford. <i>See note overleaf</i>	a) Litter pick around Millennium bridge area/Jarvis Lane	b) Clean paths and repair duck nest area at Jubilee Lake <b>NEW</b>
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> May 9:30-12:30	Lucerne Avenue Bure Park	Seeding wildflower areas with Cherwell and the school	Source containers for watering <b>NEW</b>
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 9:30-12:30	Thames Water next to Wyevale	Woodstain new bird hide – some ladder work	<b>NEW</b>
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> May 9:30-12:30	Co-Op for car sharing Bure Park	BBOWT	Thistle pulling ( <b>HALF-TERM</b> )
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30-12:30	Co-Op for car sharing Bure Park	BBOWT	Thistle pulling
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30-12:30	Purslane Dr (Trefoil Dr entrance) – restricted parking	Cut back around newt pond to let light in (TBC)	Or park down Harebell Way – be considerate to residents.
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30-12:30	Co-Op for car sharing Bure Park	BBOWT	Thistle pulling
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30-12:30	Cooper School visitors' car park	Sensory garden planting	<b>TBC</b>
<b>NOTES</b>	<b>ADVANCE PLANNING FOR 1ST 2 WEEKS</b>		

**WATER BLITZ** - split into threes – one to sample the water and set the timer. The others to take the nitrate and phosphate tests. Equipment: water dipper (make in advance), stop watch, paper and pen (or smart phone). All this is pending the arrival of sufficient sampling kits.

Water bodies to visit could be:

*Group 1*

Bure Park stream

Hunt Close stream or Hanover Gardens (town)

*Group 2*

Stream at Bicester Village

Stream at Kingsmere

*Group 3*

Langford Village stream

Jubilee Lake or the Chaffinch Way pond

*any other ideas for sites?*

That will keep 9 people occupied. More people can repair the upper path – need decking board and stakes, possibly bolts to secure board to stakes. There is more woodchip. Watering of transplanted bulbs. Enhance bench views at Lords Lane end. The water samplers can return to Bure Park to join any work done, or start the work if not enough people to have begun it.

**VOLUNTEER DAY**

Idea so far to keep additional people busy: Can be done in either order, with tea break between.

PHASE 1

Park in Ravenscroft or Avocet (or to minimise cars we should share cars)

Jubilee Lake – sweep/shovel earth and leaves off paths and steps. Little netted corner meant to be for duck nesting – trim back foliage so ducks can easily mount from water's edge. Weave trimmings in netting to make more hidden and block any holes. Perhaps make little shelters or ramps using old pallets.

PHASE 2

Arrange with company near Fresh Direct (Steve knows it) for car parking. Go down footpath and enter wooded area to the left, follow route clockwise and litter pick, over the little bridge cleared earlier, back round to rail crossing, litter picking all the way. Bear right up path to return back to the start.