



Upcoming dates...

Reminder....

What? Red Squirrel Survey training. Learn how to survey transects of woodland with the view to adopting an area to regularly survey.

When? Sunday 1st May

Where? Whinlatter Visitor Centre - in the classroom and in the forest

What to bring Waterproofs, outdoor footwear, lunch

Sunday 1st May 2011 12.30pm - 4pm (at the latest) Squirrel Survey Techniques, One Day Training course. Free. Meet in the classroom at Whinlatter Forest Visitor Centre. Max group size 15, so please book in advance with the rangers. 01768 778613 Learn how to help conservationists monitor red squirrels at Cumbria's largest red squirrel stronghold; Whinlatter Forest.

This course will teach you how to undertake visual surveys, so that you can use the skills to carry out bi-annual surveys of the forest. (Spring and autumn).

You need to be able to walk 1-2km slowly along steep and uneven ground. Please wear suitable footwear and clothing.

No prior knowledge or experience is required, and no commitment is being asked for to carry out future surveys. We'd like to you come along and see what's involved. Obviously, it would be great if you wanted to help with the ongoing monitoring work, and the more of you that do, the less each individual will need to undertake!

The course will be run by Red Squirrels Northern England People and Wildlife Officer, Charlotte Widgery.

Reply to book on

Other events....

What? Trail check training and hemlock pulling.

We check all of our trails at Whinlatter every month. It would be great if the Masmill group could take on doing these simple checks on a rotation. Come along to find out what needs to be done, and help us pull some hemlock while you are here!

When? Thursday 12th May 10am til 11am for trail check training and on until early afternoon for hemlock pulling

Where? Masmill Oakwood (access from Noble Knott car park)

What to bring sturdy outdoor footwear, waterproof clothing, lunch and if you have them, gardening gloves.

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What? Keswick Mountain Festival.

When? Fri 20th, Sat 21st or Sun 22nd May

Where? Crow Park, Keswick .

Volunteer opportunities- Join us to help at our stand, just talking to the public and giving out information.

If you are able to help out on one of the days (whatever amount of time you can offer) reply and let us know.

What? Wildplay launch.

When? Saturday 28th May , 11am- 4pm

Where? Whinlatter Visitor Centre.

Volunteer opportunities- Help us celebrate the launch of our new Wildplay trail, talk to the public and give information and help out with simple activities such as crafts

If you are able to help out on the day (whatever amount of time you can offer), reply and let us know

How to find us at Whinlatter

Whinlatter Forest Park, Whinlatter Pass, Braithwaite, North West of Keswick , CA12 5TW

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/website/forestry.nsf/byunique/infid-5gzlsn>

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