



Winter Workdays – In the winter season we have two workdays per month to get through the tasks that are best completed when nature is dormant. Some of the tasks we have identified for the coming season are listed below. We can always use more help so if you are interested and have some time to spare on the first and last Sundays of the month do please get in touch.

1. Replace fallen path signs and put up the new bat box near the existing one.
2. Investigate and repair, if possible, the broken axle on one of the trolleys.
3. Clear the small fallen trees in Pool Grove.
4. Clear the small tree growth blocking the entrance to Jubilee Plantation.
5. Remove trees leaning over The Wend and Langford's Way.
6. Clear bramble, bracken & sycamore in Middle Gorse (the photo shows a workday in this area in January 2018).
7. Clear bramble in the old coppice area at the top of Langford's Way to allow coppicing to restart, and mark the three Wild Service trees if they still survive. Also remove bramble in the area next door where we planted Elm and Wild Service trees.
8. Reorganise the toolstore and sharpen tools.
9. Consider replacing missing carpark posts.
10. Plant saplings. (These were donated by Claire Butcher who received 5 complimentary saplings from the Woodland Trust as part of the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy initiative. She contacted us to ask if we would like them for Selsdon Wood.)
11. If coppicing restarts re-plant with hazel whips (to be ordered from Simon Levy).
12. Repairs to the pond liner.
13. Consider cutting back regrowth on the holly we cut last winter and treating the stumps.



Forthcoming workdays are on November 4th and 25th and December 2nd.

If you can join us contact our Workdays leader, Ted Forsyth, at tedforsyth@btinternet.com or tel: 8651 0558

The FSW Calendar 2019 is now available for a donation of £5 - Phone 020-8657 0423 or e-mail selsdonwood@gmail.com - See overleaf for a preview of some of the beautiful photographs included in next year's calendar.

Last Month's Walk – Fungus Hunt – Ted Forsyth and Tony Flecchia led the walk on a miserable wet day when only 6 visitors came to join us. Although we had been worried that this was a bad year for fungi because of the dry summer there was plenty to look at and a total of 47 species were found.

This Month's Walk – Discover Autumn Leaves on Saturday November 3rd @ 1pm – Join us at the car park for a 2 hour walk to enjoy the autumn colours. This is our last guided walk of the year so we hope to see you there.

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2017 Photo Competition Winner



January

Rob Sowter's Bench by John Zareba



April

Blackthorn in David's Crook by Karen Fox



July

White Pyramidal Orchids by Ted Forsyth



August

Southern Hawker Dragonfly by Tony Flecchia



September

Deer Watching by Anthony Tibbs



October

Autumn Leaves by Natalie Grosser



December

Santa Claws by Lynda Zareba

