

SCALLYWAGS NURSERY (painting) – Bethnal Green, London

Saturday 28 March

Following on from the success of the work we did in 2007, we are returning the Scallywags Nursery in Bethnal Green, London.

The nursery suffers from an ever ongoing battle with graffiti and so in 2007 we helped paint a base landscape background against the main rear wall for the children to pin their various 'artistic creations' to.

The hope is to help continue the overpainting of the graffiti but also help decorate a new office for the nursery if we have time. The nursery is also in potential receipt of funds to create a sensory garden, which will require the potential planting of herbs – tbc!

Either way, it is a good day out for a worthy and delightful cause. If you would like to join us for this event please contact Amy on yam_filmer@hotmail.com. We hope to start the day around 9.30 / 10.00 – time tbc.



NORTHMOOR TRUST (tbc!) – Abingdon, Oxfordshire (OX14)

Saturday 30 & Sunday 31 May

We're currently looking into doing another project with the Northmoor Trust at the end of May.

Details have yet to be confirmed but the Trust are extremely eager to work with Raleigh alumni again and continue the long running relationship going. Previous projects have included []

The Northmoor Trust is based in South Oxfordshire and manages an estate of 300 hectares, including Little Wittenham Nature Reserve and Wittenham Clumps, a conversation farm, a woodland dedicated to forestry research and Project Timescape, the Trust's visitor centre.

We'll be camping but we'll have access to sheltered accommodation should the weather come in!

Directions – we'll provide these nearer the time but the option of either driving or getting the train (Didcot is the closest station) <http://www.northmoortrust.co.uk/>

If this is of interest please contact Dominic Martin on dominic.martin@cbre.com



HAMPSTEAD HEATH

Saturday June 20th

We're returning! The City have suggested joining forces with the regular Heath Hands volunteers on that morning to "blitz" a whole section of the Heath and try to remove all the invasive Balsam.

We would all meet at 10am (probably near the East Heath Car Park – but I will confirm this nearer the day because it depends on which part of the Heath we will be working on), and would have a short tea break at around 11.30, continuing on to about 1pm.

There would be no need to wear the steel-toed boots, as hand tools would not be needed, but I would suggest that people wear closed toed shoes and long trousers (despite the summer sun) as there are often brambles and nettles amongst the Balsam. Gloves etc provided.

And for lunch – picnics and even for those brave enough, maybe even go swimming in some of the natural ponds in the afternoon.



WALKING

WALKING WEEKEND – Southwold, Suffolk

25 & 26 April

It won't be a strenuous day of walking!; the plan is to walk up the coastline along the coastal path on the Saturday, finishing back at the picturesque location of Southwold, with drinks and dinner somewhere in the village afterwards. No agenda for the Sunday but clearly there is opportunity for at least breakfast and further exploring for those interested but otherwise heading back home as and when people wish.

The plan is leave London Friday night and come up to Southwold and set up on the campsite. There is a nearby pub where we can have some food and drink. For those unable to make the Friday evening, arrival on the Saturday is equally ok although arrival no later than 10.00 am would be suggested.

Train: Southwold is about 4 miles away from. Halesworth Trains station, the trains leave from Liverpool train station on a regular busses. We can organise closer to the time potential lifts should anyone by driving from a particular part of the country.

Drive: You can drive up to Suffolk and meet us at the campsite. Directions can be provided.

If you would like to come along on the weekend send me an email and I will confirm times and location information. **Contact:** Ed Ballard Edward.ballard@uk.rapp.com / 07813194585



STARS & SNOWDROPS (HANWELL)

14TH and 15TH February 2009

This annual event is a project that Raleigh Oxford set up in the millennium year involving the creation and maintenance of new footpaths for visitors of the Hanwell Observatory in Oxford.

During the event entrance fees are paid by patrons and the Observatory kindly splits the proceeds with Raleigh.

We had a great turn out this year especially considering the 'Siberian Front' welcomed us with a layer of snow. The team included Raleigh Alumni, members of Raleigh Oxford, Raleigh London and Raleigh Dorset and friends.

Due to this year being the International Year of Astronomy we had expected to interact with many Observatory visitors however due to the weather conditions the Observatory was not opened for the weekend we were there. We continued with the project as normal.

Every year we are asked to work on the next stage of the path. This year this was to build a footbridge over a stream and a new pathway (including 2 sets of steps). This new route included two steep inclines which required steps to be built from sleepers. With much success snowdrops were carefully relocated to avoid damage.

The event was held over Valentine's weekend, so the steps and bridge built were aptly named 'Valentine's Steps' and 'Valentine's Bridge'.

It was a great weekend and a great chance to meet up with Raleigh Alumni from all over the UK!

We have been asked to return on 19th and 20th September 2009 to carry out a similar project. 'Stars in September'. Everyone is welcome. If you'd like anymore information please contact Lucy Goler lucygoler@hotmail.com.



YPAC – Manchester – Relaunch Project

15th and 16th Nov 2008

Firstly, well done and thank you to the team for their amazing hard work and enthusiasm at our launch project in.

The project was to sand down and pain the railings for a church in an inner city area of Manchester. St Cuthbert's Church was on a waiting list for the local parole service to provide the labour and had been waiting almost a year so far. They were very grateful when we offered to take on the Project.

We teamed up with the local community youth project, YPAC (Youth Project at Apostles' and St Cuthbert's). This encourages the local youth to get involved and the project was a resounding success, a great atmosphere, lots of fun and we finished the project despite having the odds stacked against us.

The youth group YPAC had only planned to come on Saturday afternoon but enjoyed themselves so much that they came back on Sunday. They were so enthusiastic and we really hope to partner up with them again for a future project, hopefully later this year. It was great! We completed the area of fencing we'd hoped to and everyone had fun. The weather held out too!

The Raleigh team started painting at 10 am on Saturday (the side including the car park gate) but before that we needed to clear the area around the fence for glass etc. Two members had to cut back branches etc poking through the railings.

We had to prepare the railings by taking off flakey paintwork and only after this paint over. YPAC arrived from 11:45 and got started on both prepping the steel and painting.

We had a lunch break before the photographer came - jacket potatoes. One of the YPAC girls baked a carrot cake for pudding which was wonderful. We stopped before 16:00 so that we had cleaned up and the youth group had gone before dark.

The stretch of fence for Sunday was longer so we arrived at 9:00. The church had a service at 10:00 so we met the congregation when they invited us in to 'The Peace' to thank us for our work. The youth group came back at a similar time to Saturday, which was a great surprise.

We hope to arrange another project with YPAC later this year.



Support Groups

WHAT

- § Volunteering (community & environmental)
- § Outdoors
- § Social network
- § Fund raising
- § Support to those preparing to go on expedition
- § Support to Raleigh Head Office

WHO

Anyone – it's not a prerequisite to be either preparing for or have been on expedition with Raleigh

WHEN

- § Monthly socials
- § Weekends

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MARCH

SOCIAL wkad 28/1 7/8 14/15 21/22 28/29	Auberges, Waterloo Activity ROAR	Tuesday 3rd - 6.30pm Date Thurs 26th - Mon 2nd	SE1 8UH Location Buxton, Derbyshire
	Assessment Weekend ROAR	Fri 13th - Sun 15th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead
	Scallwags Nursery - Painting	Thurs 19th - Mon 23rd Sat 28th	Buxton, Derbyshire Hackney, London. (postcode tbc)

APRIL

SOCIAL wkad 4/5 11/12 18/19 25/26 25/26	Running Horse, Bond St Activity Assessment Weekend	Tuesday 7th - 6.30pm Date Fri 3rd - Sun 5th	W1K 5JF Location Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead
	Weekend - Walk / Camping Challenge Workshops	Fri 24th - Sun 26th Fri 24th - Sun 26th	Suffolk - location tbc Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead

MAY

SOCIAL wkad 2/3 9/10 16/17 23/24 30/31	Cock & Lion, Bond St Activity	Tuesday 5th - 6.30pm Date	W1U 2SA Location
	Challenge Workshops	Fri 15th - Sun 17th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead
	Northmoor	Sat 30 - Sun 31	Northmoor, Oxfordshire

JUNE

WALK wkad 6/7 6/7 13/14 20/21 27/28	Trafalgar Sq to Kensington Activity Assessment Weekend Mellow Farm - BBQ	Tuesday 2nd - 6.30pm Date Fri 5th - Sun 7th Fri 12th - Sun 14th	Location Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead GU10 4HH
	Heath Hands	Sat 20th	Hampstead Heath

JULY

SOCIAL wkad 4/5 11/12 18/19 22/26	Riverside, Vauxhall Activity ROAR	Tuesday 7th - 6.30pm Date Thurs 2nd - Mon 6th	SW8 2LE Location Buxton, Derbyshire
	ROAR Assessment Weekend	Thurs 18th - Mon 20th Fri 24th - Sun 26th	Buxton, Derbyshire Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead

AUGUST

SOFTBALL wkad 1/2 8/9 15/16 22/23 29/30	vs Head Office - Hyde Park Activity	Tuesday 4th - 6.30pm Date	Location
	Challenge Workshops	Fri 21st - Sun 23rd	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead

SEPTEMBER

SOCIAL wkad 5/6 12/13 12/13 19/20 19/20 26/27	Riverside, Vauxhall Activity	Tuesday 1st - 6.30pm Date	SW8 2LE Location
	Assessment Weekend Mellow Farm - '25th' BBQ	Fri 11th - Sun 13th Fri 4th - Sun 7th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead GU10 4HH
	Challenge Workshops Stars & Snowdrops	Fri 18th - Sun 20th Fri 18th - Sun 20th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead Harwell Observatory, Oxfordshire

OCTOBER

SOCIAL wkad 3/4 10/11 17/18 24/25	St Mary's (boat moored at Embankment) Activity ROAR	Tuesday 6th - 6.30pm Date Thurs 1st - Mon 5th	WC2R 2PP Location Buxton, Derbyshire
	Assessment Weekend ROAR	Fri 16th - Sun 18th Thurs 22nd - Mon 26th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead Buxton, Derbyshire

NOVEMBER

SOCIAL wkad 31/1 7/8 14/15 14/15 21/22 28/29	Dover Castle, Regent St Activity	Tuesday 3rd - 6.30pm Date	W1G 7EH Location
	Challenge Workshops International Volunteering Day	Fri 13th - Sun 15th Fri 13th - Sun 15th	Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead tbc

DECEMBER

ICE SKATING wkad 5/6 12/13 19/20 26/27	Somerset House Activity Assessment Weekend Challenge Workshops	Tuesday 1st - 6.30pm Date Fri 4th - Sun 6th Fri 11th - Sun 13th	WC2R 1LA Location Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, East Grinstead
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