



# Friends of Park Wood

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## *December Newsletter 2013*



## VOLUNTEERS FROM SSEB in NOVEMBER

Have you noticed a difference in the wood?

Could we have your views?

Do you agree with what we are doing?

As many of you will know we have embarked on a holly clearing process in line with guidelines from the Woodland Trust. With the help of the volunteers from the SSEB this process is well under way. Our aim is to reduce the holly by two thirds, over a three year period, this in turn will give more light to the woodland floor and promote more of the natural flora to flourish. This was evident last spring and early summer with a beautiful display of celandine and bluebells.

Please email us with you views.

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DECEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> @ 12.30pm

COME AND ENJOY MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES IN YOUR LOCAL WOOD AROUND A WARM HOLLY BONFIRE

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December 4 <sup>th</sup> @ 7.30pm WARDENS' evening @ Head Warden's home in Deanswood.
December 29 <sup>th</sup> Mulled Wine & Mince Pies around a HOLLY BONFIRE @ 12.30
January 26 <sup>th</sup> Work Day
February 23 <sup>rd</sup> Work Day
March 30 <sup>th</sup> Work Day
April 20 <sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Hunt – time to be arranged
May 25 <sup>th</sup> Work Day
June 29 <sup>th</sup> Work Day

YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL AND A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTINUE TO VOLUNTEER – ANY TIME GIVEN IS APPRECIATED BUT WE DO NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS PLEASE COME TO THE WORK DAYS AND ENJOY THE GET TOGETHER

**FEEDBACK**

If you have comment to make or would an article published in the newsletter please contact :  
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Several members of the committee travelled to Leeds for an awards ceremony. We were one of three nominees for 'small' wood. We gained a gold star and were honored to be nominated in this category but we had to admit the winners were thoroughly deserving of first prize.

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We have been sponsored by Johnson Controls, who have kindly donated over £2000 to the F of PW. This money will be used to replace the disabled gate at London Road, to provide some hard surface at London Road and to purchase new tools. We are very grateful to Johnson Controls for their kind support and sponsorship. They will also be volunteering for a 'work day' in January 2014, yet to be decided, please see website for details.

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The SSEB continue to help us with the more strenuous work in the wood. Their muscle and skill is invaluable and the days are always productive and a lot of fun – the last SSEB volunteer day was in November.

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A committee member is now fully qualified in all forms of tree felling, which will now give us more scope when dealing with emergencies and problems in the wood.

Membership of the Friends was due for renewal as of 1st April 2013

It is open to all who care for Park Wood. All Friends will receive regular newsletters and information on the Park Wood Project. A MINIMUM DONATION OF £5.00 PER HOUSEHOLD

Name:.....Tel: .....

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