



London Region Short Courses January to August 2012

Date	Course	Site
Thursday 19 th January	Managing Community Gardens This course is designed to involve community groups and budding gardeners in the identification of common problems in their gardens. This will include weed identification, good practices in pruning, lawn care and soil cultivation.	Kings Cross
Friday 20 th January	Introduction to Species Surveying and Monitoring A New Course An introduction to how and why we carry out surveys. With a look at different habitats and species, discover the methods used to record them and apply these in a diverse and interesting woodland environment.	Dulwich Upper Wood
Friday 3 rd February	Winter Tree ID Learn the skills to identify trees in winter using field guides and observation skills. All at a well established woodland site in South London. The tutor has quoted "It's easier than identifying trees in summer."	Dulwich Upper Wood
Saturday 4 th February	Leadership Skills for Community Groups As part of the new Community Groups training programme, this course covers the requirements of leading enjoyable and safe practical projects. The day is designed to be both informal and fun and includes organisation and planning, tool safety, group dynamics and motivation.	Kings Cross
Thursday 16 th February	Introduction to Tree Felling using Hand Tools Learn the theory and safety aspects of felling trees with hand tools, and then put the theory into practice!	Hampstead Cemetery

Saturday 18 th February	<p>Winter Tree ID</p> <p>Learn the skills to identify trees in winter using field guides and observation skills. All at a well established woodland site in South London. The tutor has quoted "It's easier than identifying trees in summer."</p>	Dulwich Upper Wood
Friday 24 th February	<p>Wildlife Garden Design</p> <p>This course covers garden design concepts for both the new and well established garden, and how to apply these. Discover how to develop and enhance your garden/site to attract a greater diversity of bees, butterflies, birds and other wildlife, using easily achievable techniques to produce results instantly and for the long term.</p> <p>This is a classroom based course with outdoor sessions.</p>	Railway Fields, Haringey
Wednesday 29 th February	<p>Introduction to Pond Creation</p> <p>Learn the traditional methods used in Pond Creation. It is a practical based training event with emphasis on gaining skills and basic knowledge to carry out this type of work competently.</p>	Stave Hill Ecology Park
Saturday 3 rd March	<p>Risk Assessment for Community Groups</p> <p>As part of the new Community Groups training programme, this course follows on from the Leadership Skills training. Risk Assessments are a key part of a group's responsibilities and this event will shows how to make them suitable and sufficient in easy steps.</p>	Kings Cross
Wednesday 7 th March	<p>Leading Guided Walks</p> <p>Learn how to promote, plan and deliver an informative, successful, safe and inclusive guided walk. Discover how to identify common errors, practice how to avoid them and then design and deliver an individual guided walk at a local Nature Reserve.</p>	Kings Cross
Tuesday 13 th March	<p>Introduction to Tree and Shrub Pruning</p> <p>A New Course</p> <p>Part of the new Community Groups training programme. This practical hands-on course will show you in easy steps how to carry out a variety of pruning tasks, under guidance from the experienced tutor.</p>	Winsford Gardens, Penge
Wednesday 14 th March	<p>Introduction to Wildflower Meadow Creation</p> <p>Learn the traditional methods used in Wildflower Meadow Creation with horticultural training and plant ID.</p> <p>It is a practical based training event with emphasis on gaining skills and basic knowledge to carry out this type of work competently.</p>	Stave Hill Ecology Park
Thursday 22 nd & Friday 23 rd March	<p>Woodland Management Planning</p> <p>Examine the history and different types of woodlands and learn about the management techniques used to maintain and enhance the woodland habitats as well as aspects of management planning.</p> <p>Held at a well established woodland reserve, analyse the different management styles between this and two other nearby woodland sites in South London. A popular course that is always well attended.</p>	Dulwich Upper Wood

Saturday 31 st March	<p>Managing Community Gardens</p> <p>This course is designed to involve community groups and budding gardeners in the identification of common problems in their gardens. This will include weed identification, good practices in pruning, lawn care and soil cultivation.</p>	Kings Cross
Friday 13 th April	<p>Planning for a Healthy Wildlife Pond</p> <p>An interest packed course with emphasis on keeping ponds healthy, good management practices, and creating a pond. Held at a Local Nature Reserve in South London the course includes visits to various ponds in the area to judge their health by visual surveys.</p>	Lavender Ponds Nature Reserve
Wednesday 18 th April	<p>Leadership Skills for Community Groups</p> <p>As part of the new Community Groups training programme, this course covers the requirements of leading enjoyable and safe practical projects. The day is designed to be both informal and fun and includes organisation and planning, tool safety, group dynamics and motivation.</p>	Railway Fields, Haringey
Saturday 21 st April	<p>Emergency First Aid at Work (One Day)</p> <p>BTCV draws on over 50 years of experience being a key provider of environmental skills training and providing safe working environments for our volunteer's, staff and partner organizations.</p> <p>Building on this experience we have developed a 'Land-based First Aid' product approved by HSE, designed specifically to suit the needs of the environmental and land-based sectors.</p>	Kings Cross
Friday 27 th April	<p>Introduction to Species Surveying and Monitoring</p> <p>A New Course</p> <p>An introduction to how and why we carry out surveys. With a look at different habitats and species, discover the methods used to record them and apply these in a diverse and interesting woodland environment.</p>	Dulwich Upper Wood
Wednesday 9 th May	<p>Risk Assessment for Community Groups</p> <p>As part of the new Community Groups training programme, this course follows on from the Leadership Skills training. Risk Assessments are a key part of a group's responsibilities and this event will show how to make them suitable and sufficient in easy steps.</p>	Railway Fields, Haringey
Saturday 12 th May	<p>Wildlife Garden Design</p> <p>This course covers garden design concepts for both the new and well established garden, and how to apply these. Discover how to develop and enhance your garden/site to attract a greater diversity of bees, butterflies, birds and other wildlife, using easily achievable techniques to produce results instantly and for the long term.</p> <p>This is a classroom based course with outdoor sessions.</p>	Kings Cross
Friday 18 th May	<p>Introduction to Identifying Woodland Trees and Shrubs</p> <p>Learn the skills to identify woodland trees through using field guides and observation. With plenty of opportunity to practice under the guidance of our experienced trainers. All at a well established woodland site in South London.</p>	Dulwich Upper Wood

Saturday 9 th June	<p>Leading Guided Walks</p> <p>Learn how to promote, plan and deliver an informative, successful, safe and inclusive guided walk. Discover how to identify common errors, practice how to avoid them and then design and deliver an individual guided walk at a local Nature Reserve.</p>	Kings Cross
Wednesday 13 th June	<p>Introduction to Identifying Wildflowers</p> <p>Learn how to identify Wildflowers using field guides and observation skills, in a lovely Nature Reserve in South East London.</p>	Stave Hill Ecology Park
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Thursday 28 th June	<p>Managing Community Gardens</p> <p>This course is designed to involve community groups and budding gardeners in the identification of common problems in their gardens. This will include weed identification, good practices in pruning, lawn care and soil cultivation.</p>	Railway Fields, Haringey
Friday 6 th July	<p>Planning for a Healthy Wildlife Pond</p> <p>An interest packed course with emphasis on keeping ponds healthy, good management practices, and creating a pond. Held at a Local Nature Reserve in South London the course includes visits to various ponds in the area to judge their health by visual surveys.</p>	Lavender Ponds Nature Reserve
Saturday 14 th July	<p>Leadership Skills for Community Groups</p> <p>As part of the new Community Groups training programme, this course covers the requirements of leading enjoyable and safe practical projects. The day is designed to be both informal and fun and includes organisation and planning, tool safety, group dynamics and motivation.</p>	Kings Cross
Wednesday 18 th July	<p>Introduction to Meadow management</p> <p>Learn the traditional methods used in Wildflower Meadow Management with horticultural training and plant ID. It is a theory and practical skills based training event with emphasis on gaining skills and basic knowledge to carry out this type of work competently.</p>	Stave Hill Ecology Park
Friday 20 th July	<p>Introduction to Identifying Trees in Summer</p> <p>Learn the skills to identify trees in summer leaf using field guides and observation skills. There will be plenty of opportunity to practice these skills under the guidance of our experienced trainers. All at a well established woodland site in South London.</p>	Dulwich Upper Wood

Wednesday 25 th July	<p>Emergency First Aid at Work (One Day)</p> <p>BTCV draws on over 50 years of experience being a key provider of environmental skills training and providing safe working environments for our volunteer's, staff and partner organizations.</p> <p>Building on this experience we have developed a 'Land-based First Aid' product approved by HSE, designed specifically to suit the needs of the environmental and land-based sectors.</p>	Waterlow Park
Wednesday 15 th August	<p>Introduction to Identifying Wildflowers</p> <p>Learn how to identify Wildflowers using field guides and observation skills, in a lovely Nature Reserve in South East London.</p>	Stave Hill Ecology Park

Course Fees (per day, inc.VAT)

Standard Rate £90 per day

Reduced Rate £60 per day (BTCV volunteers, BTCV Associated Groups and unemployed on provision of benefit evidence)

If you are interested in any of the courses over leaf please ring Helen O'Donovan at the BTCV London Regional Office on **020 7278 4294** alternatively you can email: london@btcv.org.uk to book your placement.