

Events

Thank you to everyone who came along to our events this year.

People created fantastic art inspired by Eycott Hill, improved their wildlife ID, learned new practical skills, and enjoyed fun filled family days out!

More than 560 people took part in an event in 2018 and it was lovely to meet everyone.



Some highlights for spring:

- Tuesday 5 & Saturday 30 March
Guided walk
- Wednesday 6 & 20 March
Conservation day
- Wednesday 10 April
A wild family adventure
- Sunday 28 April
Guided cycle ride

Summer students

Jenny Ostridge and Jack Beckwith joined us during summer 2018 on short-term voluntary placements.

They spent a lot of time on the nature reserve surveying vegetation, helping with practical conservation days, and assisting at events and training courses.

Nathan Buckley started a voluntary project with us in autumn to make a short documentary style film about volunteering opportunities for his Wildlife Media course at University of Cumbria.

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Over 7,000 people enjoyed a visit, with more than 100 people learning new skills at training events.

Our volunteers continued to be an amazing support with more than 1,000 hours given to help wildlife.

Thank you again for your support in making this project a success; we appreciate all our volunteers, donors, and visitors, and look forward to seeing you again during 2019.



Thanks to our volunteers

In 2018 an amazing 258 volunteer days were given to Eycott Hill Nature Reserve.

Thanks to our brilliant volunteers we've completed lots of practical work including: installing two new sections of boardwalk to improve access and protect the wetlands; replacing the heavy fell gate with one that's much more manageable; repairing dry stone walls; controlling bracken; habitat and species monitoring; and planting wildflowers along the Naddles Beck embankment created in 2017.

We also have new volunteers that check and weed the thousands of trees we've planted, and our existing walk and cycle leaders and cattle checkers have continued to do a fantastic job.

Volunteers have also helped at our events, sharing knowledge and enthusiasm with visitors of all ages. Thank you all!

Want to get involved?
All volunteers welcome, no previous experience necessary. For events and volunteering opportunities visit www.cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk/whats-on

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An inspirational landscape

Battling giants, volcanic eruptions, medicinal plants, partying fairies, and tales from the high seas all feature in some of the stories written by local children that will be turned into an epic end of project performance in partnership with Prism Arts.

Children from Greystoke, Penruddock, Braithwaite, St. Catherine's, and Distington primary schools have worked with professional artists

and project staff to develop tales inspired by the landscape, geology, folklore, and natural heritage of Eycott Hill Nature Reserve.

These stories will be performed to guests from each school on the nature reserve in summer 2019.

Members of Studio Workshop have also been busy developing characters and stories of their own, and making beautiful creatures and site dressings inspired by their research into the wildlife of Eycott Hill Nature Reserve.

If you're interested in volunteering with the arts programme as an event volunteer please contact jodyf@cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk



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