Volunteering Opportunities in Interpretation and Outreach

Event Volunteer
Do you like sharing what’s special about the New Forest with people? Would you like to be part of a team running events in the National Park?

As part of the Our Past Our Future Landscape Partnership Scheme, the New Forest National Park Authority is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with events and activities aimed at connecting people to the National Park.

See the role description for full details.

OPOF Event Volunteer (GNB)
Ground Nesting Bird awareness
Runs April to July

We are seeking a number of volunteers to support our Rangers and seasonal Assistant Rangers in the promotion of responsible use of the forest during April, May and June, the Ground Nesting Bird season.

Working alongside Rangers and seasonal Assistant Rangers volunteers will:
- Visit car parks near to sensitive sites in our Mobile Information Unit (MU)
- Attend shows, fetes, fairs and events in the MU
- Undertake surveys to inform long term behaviour change efforts
- Distribute GNB posters and literature to relevant businesses

Volunteer Skills
We are looking for volunteers with a passion for wildlife, approachable, friendly, good communication skills, good at being part of a team and confident at engaging with the public. Existing knowledge about New Forest GNB’s would be helpful but not essential as training and information packs will be provided.

Volunteering Opportunities
Rangers are out in the Forest 7 days a week during this time of the year. Volunteers will be
asked to book in for a day a week (in advance). The days could include early mornings, evenings and weekends, typically lasting from 2 to 6 hours.

**Volunteer commitment**

- Must be able to attend a minimum of two induction/training sessions towards the end of March to early April.
- Must be prepared to commit to attending at least 5 days during the season.

**Essential Information**

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<th>Single/Shared Role</th>
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<td>Estimated preferred hours per month</td>
<td>Minimum 5 days (e.g. 2 days per month)</td>
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<td>Location</td>
<td>Flexible - across the New Forest National Park and surrounding area.</td>
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<td>Training</td>
<td>All training will be provided in small groups or individually.</td>
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<td>Expenses</td>
<td>Travel expenses can be reimbursed.</td>
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<td>Dress code</td>
<td>A volunteer badge will be provided. For certain tasks and events other equipment will be provided as required.</td>
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**Key Words / Tags**

friendly, enthusiastic, communicator, outdoors, sociable, dependable, heritage, nature

**How to find out more or register your interest**

www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/landscape-partnership
volunteering@newforestnpa.gov.uk

*There will also be opportunities to volunteer on other tasks as part of the Our Past, Our Future Landscape Partnership Scheme.*