



# Woodsman

*The Booker Common and Woods Protection Society*

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## **Make a difference with just 6 snips**

Autumn has finally arrived bringing all the usual changes to the woods. It is also the time to get some work done and you may have seen some of the groups of volunteers along with the Chiltern Rangers cutting, clearing, replacing bollards and even installing a new woodland bench.

Maintaining your favourite path is not just about large work parties, you too can help as an individual. A few snips to remove the shoots that have encroached on the path will make all the difference. Just 6 snips each time you use a path all add up and you too will be helping to keep the woods open and accessible.



So, next time you are heading out with the dog or just going for a stroll in the woods don't forget your secateurs and your 6 snips will add to the work of the other volunteers and become part of the woodland management.

## **Coronation Trees**



It was hard to spot the group of fir trees planted more than 60 years ago to mark the Queen's Coronation. Originally sited some distance from the woods they had over time become lost as

the edge of the woods have moved. A little brush cutting and pruning has however restored these trees to the prominence they deserve. Unfortunately not all of the six original saplings have survived but those that did are now substantial trees.



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## Commons Diary

Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup> - Spring Litter Blitz  
Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> - Bank Holiday Car Boot Sale  
*In aid of the Booker Memorial Hall*  
Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> - Spring Bank Holiday Car Boot Sale  
*In aid of Booker and District Horticultural Society*  
**Monday May 15<sup>th</sup> – Society AGM**

## New Website

In August we updated and improved our website. If you have not already done so you can now find us at [www.bookercommon.org.uk](http://www.bookercommon.org.uk).

The site includes general information about the society, a map showing the main paths through the woods and a news section to keep you informed of what is happening on the common.

We hope that you find the new site useful and informative. If you have any comments about the site, suggestions for what else should be included or would like to contribute something we would be very happy to hear from you at [contact@bookercommon.org.uk](mailto:contact@bookercommon.org.uk).



## Annual Subscriptions – Gift Aid

We will be collecting the £4.00 annual subscriptions again soon. This year we need to update our Gift Aid records so the collector will be asking you to complete the following declaration, please. This will allow us to boost our income by adding £1.00 to your £4.00 donation.

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £\_\_\_\_\_ and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past 4 years to the **Booker Common & Woods Protection Society**

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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