

Friends Of Lavellø Lake Newsletter 2014/15

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New year, notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Friends Of Lavellø Lake will be held on 21st January 2015 at 19:30, at the Emmbrook Room, Dinton Pastures.

Agenda for A.G.M.

- 1) Apologies for absence
- 2) **Minutes** - Approval of minutes of the last AGM held January 15th 2014
- 3) **2014 Reports** ó
 - a) Treasurer ó Peter Scudamore (for year ending 31st October 2014)
 - b) Countryside Service ó Simon Bartlam
- 4) Chairman - Fraser Cottingham ó Continuing as chairman, etc
- 5) Election of Officers & Committee
 - a) Officers standing down
 - b) Grant Applications
 - c) Amendments to constitution
- 6) AOB

Notes

1. *The present officers and committee are;*

Chairman ó Fraser Cottingham, Secretary ó Jane Campbell, Treasurer ó Peter Scudamore.
Committee ó Les Blundell, Ron Bryant, Brian Bennett (retiring), Renton Righelato.

2. *Nominations for new officers or committee should be sent by Friday 10th January to:*
The Secretary, Friends Of Lavell's Lake, c/o Dinton Pastures Country Park, Davis Street, Hurst, RG10 0TH
OR simply email foll.new@gmail.com

3. *Annual members are not entitled to vote at the AGM if subscriptions are in arrears.*

4. *The AGM will be followed by tea/coffe, etc, then a talk by Renton Righelato – The Atlantic Rainforest*

Overview of 2014 by Chairman, Fraser Cottingham

Friends Passed & Remembered Forever

The commemorative picnic table to remember all our friends, was built on the path to Bittern Hide opposite John Gunninghamø bench. The official unveiling date will be announced in January.

Thanks

Having written so many chairmanø reports, I often find it hard to express the deep gratitude to all that help FOLL and to articulate our thanks with refreshing new words. So I can only revert to simple, heartfelt thanks.

We could not do anything without Dinton Pastures Countryside Service, in particular Simon Bartlam for his tireless effort and assistance. The same can be said of Summerlease Gravel Company for allowing FOLL to manage and continue developing our vision for a superb nature reserve.

There arenø enough words of praise and thanks for our volunteers, through thick and thin, rain, or shine, you show up, work hard and achieve mini miracles in just a few hours.

Also thanks to Tim Alexander and company for the ringing and Tim Ball for ringing the gulls and keeping us informed of sightings outside DP.

Thanks to all of you have joined us and given donations, your money goes towards making Dinton Pastures, Lavellø and Lea Farm GP even better. As always, thanks to Ray Reedman for keeping the membership forms in ready supply and Richard Marsh for taking over keeping the website updated.

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Jane Campbell you are a star and we cannot imagine the charity without you, massive thanks to you and also Peter Scudamore for great work, especially reclaiming gift aid.

My standing down as chairman

With various people stepping in to help I am willing to stay on as chairman for a little while longer, with some major achievements this year, I will continue until completion of new conservation projects in 2015 & 2016.

Overview of 2014 Bitterns

A quiet winter, sightings seriously undermined by record breaking flooding, 1/3rd Jan WSL (BTB) dark bird, 1/4th (FJC & MFW), 1/14th WSL (TAG), we assumed one stayed at least til February, but flooding made access impossible to be sure. The next record came from a fisherman on 1st July, which coincided with records in Oxon at the same time. Tim James found the first returning bird at WSL 6th December.

Birds of 2014 ó Also visit www.foll.org.uk

2014, a year total finished on a storming 138 species and yet again there were great birds, including a major park first and Berkshireø 9th ever **Alpine Swift**, other great birds included **Kittiwake**, **Grey Plover**, **Bar-tailed Godwit**, **Spotted Redshank** and **Short-eared Owl**.

As I track species counts each month, it is interesting to report that July & August offered the 2nd highest species counts since records began. April May, September & November offered the 3rd highest. No months beat previous record counts, whereas 3 months of 2013 did and 6 of 2012 did.

Lesser Spotted Woodpecker 2nd Jan (FJC) then three more dates and 2/28th (PSc), **Kittiwake** 7th Jan went down as a probable (FJC) due to the brief views, but a dying bird on BSL 11th (BTB) confirmed the record, intriguing that we missed it for 4 days. Due to the mild wet weather, many normally common winter birds were hard to find, House Sparrow, Grey Wagtail, Lesser Redpoll, Siskin, but 2 **Barn Owls** were seen 2nd (BTB), 1/11th. A male **Pintail** showed up LFGP 25th (MFW, SPD, FJC et al), seen on and off til 30th. **Peregrine** showed 3 times in January, but Kestrel was unbelievably hard to find, 1 record per month right up to May.

February remained flooded and quiet until a pair of **Red Crested Pochard** showed up 18th (FJC), 2 became 3/22nd (SPD), staying thru March, then 4/30th, 4/3rd **April**, 4/27th **May** (PSc), the last record was 2/5th June (RNM). In that time the birds were spread between BSL, Sandford & LFGP, at one time a male seemed to try and become surrogate father to a family of Mallards.



Red Crested Pochard pair (FJC)



Kittiwake expired (FJC)

Also in February, Oystercatcher arrived 18th (Rick Dawson), then Shelduck arrived with 3/19th (BTB), Mediterranean Gull 21st (PSc), a wintering Blackcap same day (TOA), Redshank next 1/25th (PSc). March livened up further, Little Owl 1st (MFW) in the large Oak next to Lea Farm buildings and was seen all spring. Mandarin 2/4th LFGP (RNM), 2 Redshank 7th, **Raven** over 7th too, 2/8th, 22nd & 24th, Chiffchaff arrived very early with 6/8th all on Lavellø. Earlier arrival dates occurred in the 90ø, but it is unclear if they were singles and not wintering birds passing thru, these 6 singing birds leave little doubt that they were spring arrivals.

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Then things stalled, until 3rd week of the month, Sand Martin arrived later than normal 5/20th (FJC), another **Pintail** same day Lavellø (FJC), a 2nd Summer Mediterranean Gull was also reported 20th (OU). A huge flock of **400+ Golden Plover** was seen East of LFGP on 22nd (GSE, MFW, TAG & BTB), **Wheatear** passage began during a work party at LFGP, 1/23rd (Sue Charnley & Jane Campbell), Little Ringed Plover arrived 25th (FJC & BTB), 2 more Wheatear 29th, then the years last report of **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker** 30th (OU).

April started cool and delayed migration further, Willow Warbler not being seen til 4th/5th and many warblers were arriving around a week later than usual. Sedge Warbler barely turned up at all in 2014. But on the 8th a **Dunlin** and even better a brief 1st Winter **Little Gull**, at LFGP got the enthusiasm up (RJS, TAG, BTB, MFW), Common Tern also went thru that day, and even better an **Arctic Tern** on 11th (FJC, GSE, JW & BBe), 4 Oystercatcher that day, another Wheatear 12th, Nightingale 13th and 2 early **Lesser Whitethroat** same day (Bird walk), **Grasshopper Warbler** 15th (MFW), more Arctic Tern thru 19th, 20th & 21st. Mistle Thrush bred next to Lavellø car park and we think this hasn't happened since the 90s, so that was great news.

4-5 more sightings of 2 Raven thru April, 20th a pair of adult summer Mediterranean Gulls flew over calling (FJC), they stopped at Theale Gravel Pits later. Very early 21st was rewarding with 2 **Bar-tailed Godwit** in and out very low over BSL in the fog, followed by a **Marsh Harrier** (Both FJC), 26th brought **Greenshank** (BTB), on 27th a **Black Tern** on BSL early morning only (BTB, FJC), 29th another Greenshank (SPD et al).

May brought Little Owl and 2 Raven 4th (MFW), 3 Common Sandpiper 6th, 3 **Dunlin** (ARy) and another **Arctic Tern** 8th (MFW), Green Sandpiper 9th (ARy), **Grey Plover** LFGP 10th (BTB et al), 2 Wigeon re-appeared and stayed the whole summer, as did 2 Shoveler, but they did not breed. Hobby was very hard to find this year and remained so until late August.



Grey Plover (FJC)



Arctic Tern (GSE)

June and Oystercatcher appeared with 1 young on Sandford, another pair may have attempted breeding on BSL main island, Little-ringed Plover were seen on and off, but again no evidence of breeding. Common Terns like in 2013 attempted breeding on Sandford, Lavellø and LFGP, summer rain wiped out most of them, but a few pairs bred successfully on LFGP, rearing 4+ young late in the summer.

A lone pair of Sand Martin bred in the wall at LFGP, sadly we don't know the outcome. Against the national trend, no Barn Owls bred, or even appeared to use the box this year. It was apparent all spring that a pair of Raven were resident and might be breeding nearby, but no confirmed sightings occurred in June and this must have been an oversight, as they were recorded every month from March, finally 3 were seen together in the first week of September, 1-2 each month after. Nuthatch wasn't as obvious as last year, but it is likely they bred nearby DP and Willow Warbler again looked like they bred near the car park field.

July 1st and a most unusual sighting of **Bittern** at WSL by a fisherman, but no bird watcher saw it, rumours of a second sightings frustrated those that tried to catch up with it. We know Cuckoo succeeded as a juvenile was seen 6th to 8th being fed by Reed Warbler, Little Grebe re-appeared on Lavellø and LFGP, again we cannot confirm if they bred on DP, but certainly nearby seems likely. The same may be true for Little Egret, but just 3 reports from late June and July may not mean much. Mandarin records were intermittent, but no family parties were seen and a

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lone Teal kept us guessing if a female was on a nest throughout the same period, but sadly it wasn't the case. Shoveler increased to 5 on 8th July and must have been unpaired eclipse birds.

One intriguing record is **Water Rail 31st July** (BTB) and an earlier report of young near the feeding area, it begs the question if they did really breed and how we managed to miss them. Passage began 2nd July with an Icelandic **Black-tailed Godwit** on Tern scrape (LM), 4th Green Sandpiper and an early **Wheatear** (GSE & TAG), Common Sandpiper 7th, another **Black-tailed Godwit** 23rd LFGP (FJC) and 3 more Green Sandpiper 31st (BTB).



Black-tailed Godwit (Linda Martin)



Wheatear (Alan Rymer)

August brought a nice early **Osprey 7th** (FJC), heading North! A lovely flock of **21 Black-tailed Godwit 10th** on Tern Scrape (R Price, GP & BTB) stayed quite some time, sadly the news was not passed out in time for others to witness such a fine sight. A Dunlin tried to break long staying records, from 12th to 19th, passage of Grey Wagtail went on all month, Wheatear passage continued 16th to 25th, with **4/23rd** (GSE), perhaps a bizarre high count of **18 Mistle Thrush** occurred on 19th (BTB). **Spotted Flycatcher** passage began 22nd (BTB), **3/24th** (TAG et al), a **Spotted Redshank** was heard over 26th (FJC), **Marsh Harrier** early 27th (MFW), then **Curlew** later (FJC), then **Redstart 30th** (BTB, TAG et al) and **6 Yellow Wagtail** later (FJC).

September 1st a **Whinchat** and **Stonechat** LFGP (BTB), 3 Green & 3 Common Sandpiper 2nd, Hobby appeared too, at least 3 between 2nd to 18th, over Lavellø to the landfill airspace, 2nd a Wheatear (PSc, FJC & ARy) and a **Tree Pipit** over late afternoon (FJC), 3rd A Swift, 6th another Wheatear (GSE), and Whinchat (FJC) and another Curlew, this time landing on the landfill (GSE), 7th a **Bar-tailed Godwit** came to check out the new diggings at LFGP's SW corner (FJC), staying overnight. **2 Redstart 8th** (RNM & LS) and more Yellow Wagtail passage occurred 4th, 5th, 7th & 12th, also 12th another Whinchat (FJC).



Bar-tailed Godwit (FJC)



Spotted Flycatcher (FJC)

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September 13th a **Pintail** LFGP (BTB et al), 3/14th (BTB), 14th brought a **Marsh Harrier** past beyond my garden 07:00 heading towards DP, then another surprise with **Firecrest** moving quickly past the bird walk folks by the MAC, 22nd a **Stonechat** re-appeared at LFGP (FJC) and was the start of a series of records, eventually involving at least **3** birds at the end of Oct, the last one reported 5th Nov. Early to mid month Buzzard were passing through 13/8th (TAG), & 9th (FJC), 18th another Spotted Flycatcher (ARy et al), 21st September produced a **Garganey**, which flew in with **91 Teal**, **74 Gadwall**, **123 Wigeon** and **52 Shoveler** at LFGP (MFW), quite a sight!



Garganey (FJC)



Stonechat (Richard Marsh)

Into October and a **Black Tern** thru at LFGP (FJC), seen after at Sandford & BSL (RNM, SPD & BTB), same day was the last Mandarin sighting 3rd (MFW), also **71 Shoveler** that day, **Stonechat** count rose to **2/6th**, **3 Ruff** flew in at LFGP 8th (TAG & GSE), but left quickly SE, 1 more landed briefly 10th (GSE), 1 Dunlin 12th, and light passage of Linnet SE on and off all month. The Garganey reappeared **14th & 15th** at Tern Scrape (SPD et al), then the year's best bird also showed up on **15th** in the form of an **Alpine Swift** over the landfill heading SW at 13:42 (FJC & TAG), sadly only around for 3 minutes and the 9th for Berkshire.

Late on in the month **Stonechat** count peaked at **3/23rd & 24th**, 1 Wheatear on **25th** (GSE) was a late bird, and the first Goldeneye same day (SPD), on **27th** over **300 Golden Plover** were circling way North (FJC), c35 doing the same 1st & 2nd November (FJC). November was seemed quiet, winter thrushes were late in, hardly any Siskin, the last records of Stonechat 1st & 5th and some Great Black Backed Gull passage South, **12/4th**, **18/5th**, but then another fantastic bird on the bird walk, a **Short-eared Owl** over in the bright sunlight 9th, the Little Owl showed in the same Oak tree **14th**. Snipe numbers at Tern scrape were up to 20+ (RNM), then **25th** the first **Woodcock** of the year flew over at dusk (FJC).



Short eared Owl (Steve Day)



Goosander (Richard Marsh)

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December 3rd a Male **Goosander** on Sandford (RNM et al), moved to White Swan 4th (Les Blundell), 5th another **Woodcock** (FJC), 6th an out of season Green Sandpiper (BTB) and the first **Bittern** of this winter period at WSL (TGJ), then another **Goosander** flew over LFGP 14th (FJC & bird walk), 16th a **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker** on Sandford (PSc) and Snipe breaking the **50** barrier 17th onwards, another Raven 19th (RNM & PSC), I remain hopeful a Jack Snipe will show up before year end to put us on 139, a Brambling would make it a round 140!

Habitat Management & Work Parties

- FOLL funded a significant stock proof fencing project which continued in 2014, but was not fully completed, key sections along the BSL/WSL hedgerow were installed ensuring dogs and people no longer penetrate nesting habitats of Nightingale, Lesser Whitethroat and Cettiø Warbler. Areas still to be fenced are; Heronø Water, Middle Marsh, parts of Sandford and all along the Loddon parallel with LFGP, this could take 2, or more years to complete.
- Crassula was dug out from Tern Scrape in 2013 with 90-95% success, but about 10% has returned amongst the reeds and full removal is hoped for in August 2015.
- Work party attendance levels have fallen a bit in the last 18-24 months and it is important we keep numbers in double figures to keep on top of everything. LFGP takes at least 2 work parties a year up and we need more of you lovely people to give us a couple of hours of your time once a month.
- Tree felling needs are at an all time high so we have agreed to pay Berkshire Conservation Volunteers (BeC) to join us Jan & Feb 2015 to remove the tallest Poplars and lots of fairly tall Willow along the Emm Brook. We may also commission BeC on a 2 year rolling basis when we have felling and coppicing under control.
- Lea Farm G.P. South West corner re-profiling was carried with apparent great success



Dawn Chorus Bird Walk – 27th April 04:15 to 08:00 (£2.00 per person)

FOLL went ahead with our first dawn chorus walk and the PR was so good Meridian News came along and even though it was windy, rainy and not to pleasant, a good time was had by all, especially when the Nightingales showed so well, saving the day. We shall repeat it in 2015.

F.O.L.L. Website & Twitter

After many discussions, the new website is under construction, part 1 is the website, part 2 is creating a searchable the bird archive database, we expect the website will be up and running late spring. The database may take a while longer, but this will be a key feature of the membership log in. Various new functions will be offered on the website, such as sharing and publishing bird lists, login via Facebook, links to shared photo galleries, self administered personal profiles and much more. Twitter remains the best way to get the latest bird news and every penny of the £2.00 annual donation goes towards bird food and conservation projects.

Fundraising & Events

We should move forward and organise fund raising and awareness days such as;

- Make the December work party and an awareness day festive event, hosted inside our marquee, with tea/coffee and a mince pie on sale for a few pence, plus selling bird seed.
- Attend the Woodley Christmas Carnival ó Promoting membership and selling bird food.

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Guided Bird Walks (Cost is £1.00 per person)

As always, held every 2nd Sunday each month, meet at 9.00am in Lavellø car park, opposite the golf club. Wear sturdy footwear and appropriate clothing to weather conditions. Walks last approximately 3 hours and it is fine for people to break off earlier if needed.

Evening Committee & Members Meetings

Jan 21st A.G.M, March 17th, May 19th, July 21st, September 15th, November 17th, January 20th A.G.M. 2016

Held Bi-monthly on the **third Tuesday** of the month at 8.00pm at Dinton Pastures, or other venue, where we discuss and agree all ongoing management issues, so if you have anything to add, just ask.

Countryside Service Ranger Report 2014 – Simon Bartlam

Management Tasks

- Hay cutting and after grazing of meadows
- Ride Management at the back of Lavellø and on island
- Reed cutting to created open rides
- Teal meadow cut and remove
- Bittern Hide scrape .cut scraped and herbicide treatment to remove crassula

General Ranging

- General work including cutting back path vegetation, and clearing fly-tipping,
- Hide clearing/painting and security
- Boundary/ site inspection
- Make safe dangerous trees

Volunteer involvement

Other than the friends of Lavellø group, School + college work experience, Duke of Edinburgh, Community Services, Probation services, Adult Training Groups and the pinnacle return to work scheme have been involved in the site management.

Finally I would like to say a big thank you to all of the members of Friends of Lavellø for all the hard work you put into the site. Practical effort, vigilance and wildlife recording all go the making the site a very special place that is appreciated by visitors and wildlife alike. I would especially like to thank Fraser whose enthusiasm is never ending, Thank you all.

Ringling Report for Lavell's Lake 2014 – Tim Alexander

The gradual development of the reed bed area around Teal Scrape is showing an increase in the number of passerines using it. The increase in size has perhaps reached a point where many more birds feel safe to use it as a breeding or roosting area.

Of note this year was the total of Reed Warblers ó 109 in total. A real surprise was the increase in the number of Cettiø Warbler. From 2003 until 2013 a total of 25 new Cettiø were ringed. In 2014 alone 11 new Cettiø have been ringed including 4 young birds during the breeding season.

On 24/7/2014 it was noticed that the reed bed had been in used as a roost by migrating Sedge Warblers. 17 were ringed but there were many more in the roost. On 12/8/2014 one of these Sedge Warblers was caught by ringers at Etang de Marcenay Cote d'Or, France ó a movement of 550km.

The reed bed has also been a roost for a small number of Reed Buntings in the autumn. 12 were ringed on 30/10/2014. If the reed bed can expand over the next few years then we can hope for further increases. It will be interesting to see if any of the Reed Warblers return to breed next year. This year there were 3 Reed Warblers returning from earlier years, 1 from each year ó 2013, 2012 and 2010.

There was one other control, a young Reed Warbler ringed at Lavellø on 24/7/2014 was found again near Romsey in Hampshire on 21/8/2014. A Garden Warbler ringed in 2010 was also back breeding this year.

The site has been particularly wet this autumn. A couple of visits have been cancelled and it was a shame that a working party had to be cancelled. The willow trees are fighting back and they grow so fast that the reeds quickly get smothered.

One feature this autumn has been the number of Redwingø using the site. There has been a roost of Redwings at the rear of Lavellø throughout November and a total of 30 have been ringed. This autumn has also seen small

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flocks of Greenfinches feeding around the site. So far only singles of Lesser Redpoll and Siskin have been heard. In previous years Lesser Redpolls have been present in higher numbers by this time.

Next year the hope is that the reed bed continues to expand and attract warblers and buntings to breed and roost. Many thanks once again to all who have helped with the ringing this year and in particular to Fraser, Simon and staff at the Countryside Service who have helped so much with the reed bed development.

Totals Summary for Lavell's Lake Year 2014

	Full grown	Pulli	Retraps/ Recoveries	Total
Kingfisher	2	0	0	2
Wren	18	0	4	22
Duncock	20	0	13	33
Robin	15	0	2	17
Blackbird	13	0	7	20
Song Thrush	11	0	3	14
Redwing	30	0	0	30
Cetti's Warbler	11	0	7	18
Sedge Warbler	31	0	0	31
Reed Warbler	109	0	12	121
Lesser Whitethroat	1	0	0	1
Whitethroat	29	0	1	30
Garden Warbler	27	0	6	33
Blackcap	110	0	6	116
Chiffchaff	46	0	3	49
Willow Warbler	9	0	0	9
Goldcrest	9	0	2	11
Long-tailed Tit	15	0	2	17
Blue Tit	49	0	22	71
Great Tit	9	0	3	12
Treecreeper	3	0	1	4
Jay	2	0	1	3
Greenfinch	41	0	1	42
Bullfinch	9	0	0	9
Reed Bunting	24	0	0	24
Total:	643	0	96	739

Colour Ringing Black-headed Gulls at Lea Farm – Tim Ball

We continued our colour ringing Black-headed Gull project at Lea Farm in 2014, unfortunately there weren't any Common Tern chicks when we visited the rafts this year so we couldn't ring any of them.

It was the third year we've colour ringed the Gulls here & we did 39 birds in 2011 and 19 in 2013 so our total of 64 this year was quite remarkable. This year we also just metal ringed 9 more chicks which were too small to take the colour rings when we were on the rafts. Overall we've now colour ringed 122 Gulls and this has so far resulted in 12 of the 2011 birds, 9 of the 2013 birds and 5 of this year's birds being seen somewhere after fledging.

Sightings during 2014

a) 2011 birds

25J3 was reported from Lea Farm in April, May, June and July

25J9 which had been reported from Eire in 2013 was seen in Gloucestershire in April

27J1 was reported from Devon for its second time in July

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27J3 was reported from Hosehill and Lea Farm in April 2013 and Cardiff in December 2013 was back at Lea Farm in April

27J9 and 28J1 were seen at Hosehill in March and April respectively

28J3 was reported from Lea Farm from early March to mid-June and called in at Hosehill on 26 April

b) 2013 birds

26L1, 26L3 and 27L8 were reported from Lea Farm at least once between May and October.

26L2 was in Devon on 16 June and at Moor Green Lakes on 3 August.

26L9 was reported from near Madrid in December 2013 and February and March this year, this site is 1,262 km south of Lea Farm. 27L5 was also at the same site in February and March.

27L1 was in Worcestershire in April.

c) 2014 birds

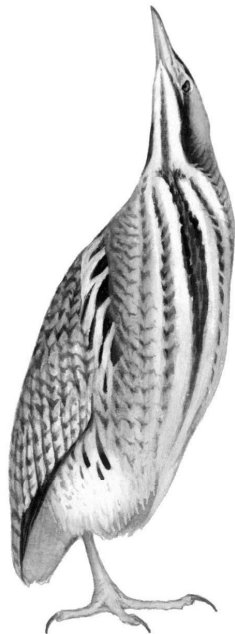
20N0, 21P9, 22P1 and 22P3 have all been reported from Lea Farm at least once after fledging with 21P9 rather bizarrely being seen as late as 2nd December.

23P4 was reported from Port Meadow in Oxfordshire in September.

Every record of any of these birds is useful so if you see one and manage to read itø ring number please record the ring colour and number and which leg the colour ring was on. Records can either be noted in the hide log book or sent directly to me at tim.ball@rbringing.co.uk. If it wasnø one of ours Iøll track down itø ringer and get the details for you ø outside the breeding season thereø a good chance they will have been ringed overseas.

New F.O.L.L. Logo

We have been talking about it for a while and thanks to Oxon County Recorder and friend Ian Lewingtonø generosity, we can now unveil the raw picture we shall be using as our new logo, we think it is striking.



F.O.L.L. Volunteer Work Parties Dates for 2015 – See website for latest information

We have restructured the plans to include extra work parties, likely to be on Saturdays so that we can hit the Balsam and Crassula plus keep on top of Lea Farm G.P. Attendance has been very good, so please join us;

4th Sunday	Task	Lake	Saturday the
January 25 th	Cut Willow & Burn Clear Sandford Island BeC tree felling	Behind Teal Scrape	
February 22 nd	Cut Willow & Burn	Emmbrook Hedgerow LFGP	
February 22 nd	Cleaning Sand Martin Wall BeC tree felling	Lea Farm GP	
March 22 nd	Cleaning Sand Martin Wall	Lavell's Teal Scrape	
March 22 nd	Cut Willow & Burn Build Viewing Screen	Lavell's Sandford	March
April 26 th	Transplant Phragmites/Crassula Killing	Lavell's Tern Scrape	
April 26 th	Fencing & Service & Tow Out Tern Rafts	Lea Farm GP	
May 24 th	Service & Tow Out Tern Rafts	Lavell's	
May 24 th	Fencing & Crassula Killing	Lavell's	
June 28 th	Cut Bund Vegetation & Crassula Killing	Lavell's Tern Scrape	
June 28 th	Clear Vegetation In front of hide	Lea Farm GP	
July 26 th	Balsam Bash & Crassula Killing	Lavell's Teal Scrape & Meadow	
July 26 th	Balsam Bash & Cut Bund Vegetation	Lavell's Tern Scrape	
	Balsam Bash	Lavell's Emmbrook	July
	Balsam Bash	Loddon to LFGP	July
August 24 th	Balsam Bash & Crassula Killing	Lavell's	
August 24 th	Balsam Bash	Loddon to LFGP	
	Balsam Bash	Lavell's Main Island	August
	Coppice Ringing Runs	Lavell's Teal Scrape	August
September 27 th	Clear Feeder Area Vegetation	Lavell's Bittern Hide	
September 27 th	Cut Phragmites & Willow Cut	Lavell's Tern Scrape & Meadow	
	Cut Phragmites Sections	Lavell's Main Island	September
	Cut Bund Vegetation	Lavell's Teal Scrape	September
October 25 th	Weed Shingle Islands	Lavell's	
October 25 th	Cutting Back Willow & Cut Bund Vegetation	Lavell's Tern Scrape	
October 25 th	Brushcut Phragmites	Lavell's Tern Scrape	
	Removing Willow	Lea Farm GP	October
November 22 nd	Cut Phragmites	Sandford	November
	Cut Phragmites & Weed Shingle Islands	Sandford	November
December 20 th	Cutting Back Willow & burn	Beyond Tern Scrape	

NOTE : AUGUST & DECEMBER ARE MOVED TO AVOID BANK HOLIDAYS