

WILDERNESS

Membership Information May 2024 – May 2025

Wilderness Wood is a not-for-profit community woodland with around 250 member households.

Membership costs £100 for a family for a year and £50 for an individual and any time or skill contribution which members are willing and able to make. Ability to pay need not be a barrier – if you would like to join but cannot afford the subscription fee – please make a suggestion about alternative contributions.

In exchange for these contributions, members enjoy:

- **free access** to walk in the wood on Tuesdays to Sundays, 10am-4pm (and other times by arrangement with the owners)
- **hire of spaces** - woodland glades, grassy paddocks and timber structures for solo, family or group camping, BBQs and celebrations – these spaces are only available for members to hire
- participation in **member working parties and groups** such as Stewardship Saturdays, Wednesday Woodland Volunteering, Working-with-wood-week and Instead-of-School activities for home educating families
- invitation to **member only seasonal celebrations** such as May Day, Winter Solstice and Halloween
- access to **Firewood and Charcoal Club** – help collect, split, stack and fire the kiln in exchange for discounts on logs or charcoal
- **first priority for reservation of Christmas Trees** in the field on November 2nd and 3rd 2024
- **last-minute deals** on Holly Hut, Dumbledore and Yaffle cabins
- **discounts on courses and workshops** for all ages at the wood
- 10% **discount** on rustic furniture from **Andrew Coates Woodland Products**
- 50% **discount** on a first session with Katy in the **Health Hut** – massage, body work and/or therapeutic herbal tea blends
- **monthly e-mail newsletter and hard copy of Wild Times** three times a year
- use of spaces at the wood **to sell arts & crafts, lead workshops and offer treatments**, advertised on the noticeboards, website and social media
- 10% off hire of **ready-to-go bell-tents** and **marquee** from Stay Wild

Full programme of member events, activities and offers to be published on the website and/or shared through the monthly member e-mail.

To become a member for the first time, please complete the **Membership Application Form** (available on-line or from The Hatch). **To renew your membership**, contact emilyanddan@wildernesswood.org for details of how to pay and any updates on your contact information and proposed contribution for the year. You will then receive the 2024/25 membership card which you should present to claim discounts etc as above.

Hadlow Down Parishioners and other Honorary Members (ie. ex-staff and old friends) are welcome to use the wood like other members. However, if you walk regularly in the wood and/or make other use of its facilities and activities, we would ask you to complete the Membership Application Form and make a contribution to help us look after the woodland.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Emily in person or by email: emilyanddan@wildernesswood.org or on **01825 830509**