

The Prairie Enthusiasts



Work Parties – Winter 2018-19

Dane, Sauk, & eastern Iowa
Counties

”Preserving and protecting our prairie heritage”

Help is needed this winter with: - **tree/brush removal & brush pile burning**

Be sure to wear appropriate clothing for the weather (dress in layers) and for burning brush piles. For burning piles, wear old clothes that you do not mind getting holes in from fire brands. Do not wear synthetic fabrics, they ignite too easily. Wear sturdy footwear and work gloves. Bring drinking water. Chainsaw operators with their own equipment are welcome, but must have safety chaps and headgear. Bring pruners or loppers, if you have them, otherwise they will be provided.

Winter work parties are dependent on weather & snow conditions; snow need/tolerance varies depending upon activity planned. Therefore, **check with contact person the night before to confirm.**

Dec. 20 (Thur) – Schurch-Thomson
Dec. 22 (Sat) – Rattlesnake Ridge
Dec. 23 (Sun) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Dec. 27 (Thur) – Schurch-Thomson
Dec. 29 (Sat) – Rattlesnake Ridge
Dec. 30 (Sun) – Foxglove Savanna
Jan. 5 (Sat) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Jan. 12 (Sat) – Smith-Reiner Drumlin
Jan. 12 (Sat) – Foxglove Savanna
Jan. 13 (Sun) – Erbe Grassland
Jan. 16 (Wed) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Jan. 19 (Sat) – Moely Pr
Jan. 20 (Sun) – Kalscheur Savanna

Jan. 26 (Sat) – Foxglove Savanna
Jan. 27 (Sun) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Jan. 30 (Wed) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Feb. 2 (Sat) – Smith-Reiner Drumlin
Feb. 3 (Sun) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Feb. 9 (Sat) – Foxglove Savanna
Feb. 10 (Sun) – Schurch-Thomson Pr
Feb. 16 (Sat) – Moely Pr
Feb. 23 (Sat) – Foxglove Savanna
Feb. 24 (Sun) – Erbe Grassland
Mar. 9 (Sat) – Smith-Reiner Drumlin
Mar. 16 (Sat) – Moely Pr

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Erbe Grassland (SW of Mt. Horeb)

Contact: Erik Goplin (608-437-4879; egoplin@mhtc.net)

Jan. 13 (Sun.) – 1:00 to 4:00. Brush removal

Feb. 24 (Sun.) – 1:00 to 4:00. Brush removal.

Foxglove Savanna (SW of Sauk City)

Contact: Jeb Barzen, 608-544-2107, 608-370-3122 (cell);

jeb@privatelandsconservation.org

Dec. 30 (Sun) – 10:00 to 4:00. Tree/brush removal. Burn brush piles. **Lunch provided**

Jan. 12 (Sat.) – 10:00 to 4:00. Tree/brush removal. Burn brush piles. **Lunch provided**

Jan. 26 (Sat.) – 10:00 to 4:00. Tree/brush removal. Burn brush piles. **Lunch provided**

Feb. 9 (Sat.) – 10:00 to 4:00. Tree/brush removal. Burn brush piles. **Lunch provided**

Feb. 23 (Sat.) – 10:00 to 4:00. Tree/brush removal. Burn brush piles. **Lunch provided**

Kalscheur Savanna (S of Hollandale)

Contact: Amy Staffen, amystaffen@gmail.com, 608-238-0450

Jan. 20 (Sun.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Moely Prairie (Prairie du Sac)

Contact: Denny Connor (608-798-4185)

Jan. 19 (Sat.) - 9:00 to Noon. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

Feb. 16 (Sat.) - 9:00 to Noon. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

Mar. 16 (Sat.) - 9:00 to Noon. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

Rattlesnake Ridge (Arena)

Contact: Sue Steinmann & Bill Moore (608-753-2332; ssteinmann6@gmail.com)

Dec. 22 (Sat.) – 9:00 to 1:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Dec. 29 (Sat.) – 9:00 to 1:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Schurch-Thomson Prairie (S of Blue Mounds)

Contact: Rich Henderson (608-845-7065; tpe.rhenderson@tds.net)

Dec. 20 (Thur.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Dec. 23 (Sun.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Dec. 27 (Thur.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Jan. 5 (Sat.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Jan. 16 (Wed.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Jan. 27 (Sun.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Jan. 30 (Wed.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Feb. 3 (Sun.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Feb. 10 (Sun.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees &/or burn brush piles.

Smith-Reiner Drumlin (SW of Cambridge)

Contact: Gary Birch (608-873-8837)

Jan. 12 (Sat.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

Feb. 2 (Sat.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

Mar. 9 (Sat.) - 1:00 to 4:00. Cut trees/brush &/or burn brush piles.

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Directions:

Erbe Grassland From Mt. Horeb, take US Hwy 18/151 west for 2 miles. Turn south (left) on Erbe Road. Meet at the preserve's parking lot and kiosk, which is 0.7 miles south on Erbe Road the right.

Foxglove Savanna Site is located off of Hwy 60, between Spring Green and Sauk City, on Round River Trail; 8 miles east of Spring Green or 13 miles west of Sauk City. On Dec. 29 & Jan.12, meet in the cul-de-sac at end of Round River Trail. On all other days, meet at the Barzen residence at S-122213 Round River Trail.

Moely Prairie Meet at the end of Alban Lane in Prairie du Sac. This is in the Westwynde Subdivision south of County PF.

Rattlesnake Ridge 7046 Reimann Rd, Arena. Hwy 14 to Arena; south on Reimann Rd at Arena Cheese Store (big mouse) right on gravel lane at end of road; left at fork in the lane; continue 1/3 mi thru woods to parking area in front of greenhouse; meet there for 10 min hike up the steep trail to the bluff. Equipment will be driven to site. If conditions suitable, all wheel drive vehicles may drive to site.

Schurch-Thomson Prairie From the intersection of US Hwy 18-151 and County F (south of Blue Mounds in western Dane County), take F approximately 5 miles south. Turn right onto Reilly Road, and proceed to barn at the end of the road. (Note: 1/2 mile down F from 18-151, pay close attention to the road signs, for F turns to the right & the straight ahead becomes County Z. Stay on F.)

Smith-Reiner Drumlin From the intersection of Highway 12/18 and Highway 73 (two miles west of Cambridge, WI) go south on Highway 73 for 1.5 miles, then east on County Highway PQ for 1 mile, then south on Clearview Road for 0.5 mile. Park in the small parking lot off of Clearview Road and walk west .25 miles on an old farm lane into the natural area.

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