

5 days of greenwood Craft training  
in a beautiful Cumbrian woodland



The Bill Hogarth MBE Memorial Apprenticeship Trust  
presents  
the eighteenth

# Woodland Pioneers

## Introduction to Coppicing Week

2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Staveley in Cartmel  
Newby Bridge, Cumbria

**£240-290**

(pay what you can afford)

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Four 1-day workshops for newcomers:



### Birch with Twiggy:

BHMAT graduate, trustee and experienced coppicer Twiggy will teach you the skills required to create a range of small wooden products including besom brooms, spatulas and 'gypsy roses' from birch.

### Oak with Owen Jones:

Owen Jones is a full-time oak swill basket maker and was awarded an MBE for services to basketry in 2014. In this workshop you will work as a team to produce a beautiful riven oak fence panel.



### Hazel with Sam Ansell &

#### James Benson:

Sam (BHMAT graduate) and James (local experienced coppicer) will teach you basic coppicing skills including felling, dressing out, sorting and bundling produce, and protecting cut stools from animal browsing.



### Ash with Helen Clarke:

BHMAT graduate Helen will be giving instruction in using traditional tools to enable you to create a unique, solid and beautiful ash stool.



## Two 4-day workshops for returners:

**If you have attended WP before, Mon-Thurs you can choose ONE of these 2 4-day workshops (please note there may be a small charge for materials on these courses):**

### Ash splint baskets with Adrian Lloyd:



In this workshop Adrian will show you how to make a strong, beautiful and functional ash splint basket. This will involve pounding ash to create splints for weaving, grading and processing the splits, and tools and techniques needed to produce the final product.

### Building bridges (not fences!)

**With Ian Taylor & Jack Holden:**

Help build a new bridge in Chapel House woods using trees from the wood. Jack and Ian will guide you through hewing/adzing beams and basic timber framing to produce a bridge which will (hopefully) be installed at the end of the week.



### Friday workshops:

We run a number of short woodcraft workshops on the Friday (tool sharpening, willow weaving, knots and more). If you wish to come along just for this day, please call for details and to register.



Bill Hogarth MBE (1928-1999) was a coppice merchant who worked the woods of South Cumbria. The memorial trust (BHMAT) was set up in 2000 to continue his work and now runs a 3-year apprenticeship training scheme which leads to the Bill Hogarth Coppice Diploma. 'Woodland Pioneers' is open to anyone interested in learning about coppicing as well as those interested in the apprenticeship.

**For those wishing to apply for a BHMAT placement, it is essential that you attend the full course and gain a certificate (cost £25).**

For those new to Woodland Pioneers, from Monday to Thursday there will be 4 1-day introductory woodcraft workshops plus 2 shorter Friday workshops which you will sign up for during the week. The evenings are normally busy with talks, presentations, quizzes and a barbeque night. Music usually features at some point so bring your instruments!

**Course venue:** Chapel House Woods are owned by the Sir John Fisher Foundation who sponsored our first two apprentices. There is a hall opposite the wood where we serve breakfasts, lunches and evening meals, and gather for evening events. Further details will be sent about two weeks before the course starts.

**Camping:** Pitches on site in the woods are included in the course fee.

**Food:** The cost of a soup and bread lunch and an evening meal is included in your fee. Breakfast will be available each morning at a reasonable rate (£2) and there will be a bar in the evenings (cash only).

**We prefer you not to bring dogs. Exceptions may be made if they are very well behaved or guide dogs. The minimum age for participants and people on site is 18 years of age - we can take no responsibility for people under 18.**

**Cancellations:** If you need to cancel after you have paid the course fee, please note the following cancellation charges:

£10 up to 5<sup>th</sup> August / £40 from 6<sup>th</sup> August to 19<sup>th</sup> August / No refund available after 19<sup>th</sup> August.

If we cancel, for whatever reason, we will return all course fees sent to us.

**Concessions:** If you are unable to afford the course fee we might, in certain circumstances, be able to help so get in touch.

BHMAT and our tutors take every precaution to ensure your safety and we will have a number of qualified First Aiders on site. We need to know of any special medical condition or medication that might compromise your safety or that of others. Disability access is very limited on site, so please talk with us about any specific needs before you book on the course.

Our Woodland Pioneers week is a break-even event. Any additional donation to help BHMAT with costs and its apprenticeship programme would be very much appreciated.

### Booking Information:

• book online and pay via debit card or PayPal by going to our website: [www.coppiceapprentice.org.uk](http://www.coppiceapprentice.org.uk)

OR:

• complete the booking form on the following page and send it with a cheque or postal order for £240-£290 (please pay as much as you can afford) made payable to 'Bill Hogarth MBE Memorial Apprenticeship Trust' to: BHMAT, Crag View, Dixon's Field, Carnforth. LA5 9JN

Tel: 01524 720292/0788 4332391

# BHMAT WP 2019 booking form 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> September

**I would like to book on:**

- The 4 1-day workshops + Fri       The ash basket workshop + Fri       The bridge workshop + Fri

Please indicate your choice - **if you have not attended WP before, you will be expected to do the 4 1-day workshops.**

**Name:**

**Date of Birth:**

**Address:**

**Postcode:**

**Tel. No:**

**E-mail address (please note that details will be e-mailed):**

**Are you interested in the apprenticeship? Yes/No**

**Would you like a certificate of attainment? Yes/No**

**Please indicate the amount you are paying (please pay what you can afford and add £25 if you want a certificate):**

**Any medical information we need to be aware of?**

**Any dietary requirements?**

**Do you want to camp on site? Yes/No**

**Do you give us permission to use any photos taken of you during the week on our website, in social media and in future publicity? Yes/No**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

Please tick this box if you would like us to keep you on file and send you any details of further woodland-related courses (including next year's Woodland Pioneers). **Please be assured we will not pass your details to any other organisation.**