VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION



Volunteer Role / Title

Volunteer sheep looker

Location

Cander Moss, near Blackwood

How many volunteers are needed?

Up to 6 volunteers (1 per day)

How many hours per day/per week are you needed?

There are no set times/ hours, but you should ensure there is enough daylight to safely carry out the role. Your duties may take between 40 minutes to 1 hour depending how quickly you can walk around the site.

On which days are you needed?

This will be decided depending on the volunteer pool available. We will be flexible to accommodate your availability, but we are particularly keen to get cover for weekends.

On what date do we want you to start?

End of April/early May.

End Date (if applicable)

Flexible. Sheep are likely to be removed from site in late June/early July.

Minimum commitment we require from you. If any

We are looking for a commitment of one session per week between April/May to July.

Objective of your volunteer role

To monitor our conservation grazing flock whilst at Cander Moss.

Tasks

- Count the sheep and look at their general condition and wellbeing.
- Report any problems (missing numbers or obvious ill health) to the Conservation Shepherd or Falls of Clyde staff

What skills/qualifications/fitness would we like you to have?

- Some basic fitness is required as some sites may be less accessible than others
- Although no prior livestock experience is required, any related (farm, stock experience/knowledge) experience would be very useful
- The most important things are your commitment to the project, observational skills and confidence to report problems if they arise

What support or training will we give you?

We will give you every assistance to fulfil your role and will provide in house/informal training in all necessary aspects of the role. Scottish Wildlife Trust staff will always be available by phone for help or guidance. We will offer advice and guidance until you are confident to carry out your role.

Please note the role will involve lone working and Scottish Wildlife Trust will observe a buddy system for health and safety purposes.

Who is the contact person for enquiries?

For further details please contact Nicole Wallace, Falls of Clyde Ranger nwallace@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk

Telephone: 07786 836518

When is the closing date for applications?

Friday 10th May

When will interviews be held?

We will meet all volunteers at Cander Moss to go through everything and show you around the site.

Other information which may be of help to you

We will ask you to complete a simple application form and we may take up references before appointment.

You might need to have your own transport or be able to get to your local site easily.

There is parking a couple of fields away (5 minute walk) from the entrance to the reserve.