



NIGHTINGALE TIMES

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November Events in Wellow.

Thankfully the rain stayed away for both of our November events with excellent turnouts for both Wellow School's bonfire night and the Remembrance Sunday parade.



Wellow School's "Super Heroes" Fireworks



Remembrance Sunday Parade

The Wellow and District Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal (this includes the parish of Wellow plus Plaitford and Nomasland) has raised £4,245.44 to date. This amount was raised by house to house collections, static collections in shops and other businesses and the Royal

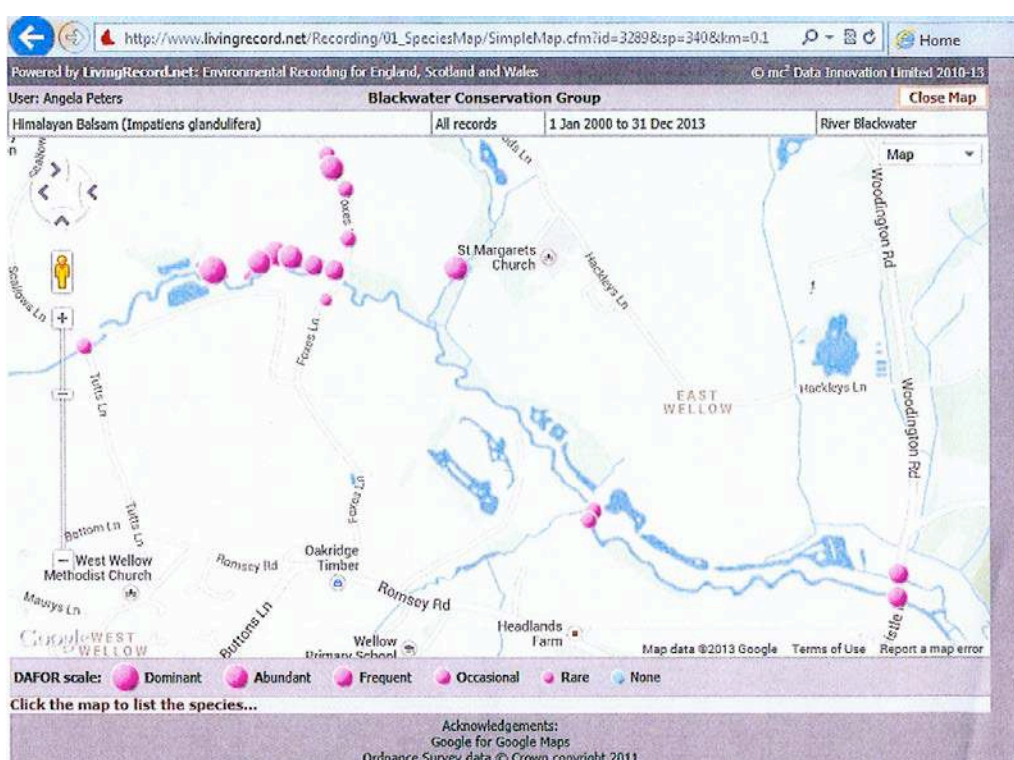
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British Legion Women's Section Poppy Sale held at the Village Hall. A big thank you to all the Poppy Sellers , Businesses and everyone who supported the appeal. Phil Stenner, Wellow & District Poppy Appeal Organiser.

December Update on the Blackwater Conservation Group

Himalayan Balsam is an aggressive, out-of-control weed infesting our local rivers from Redlynch in the northwest to the Test in the south. This includes the River Blackwater and its tributaries. This wretched weed grows up to 3m in height preventing the growth of native riverside plants resulting in erosion of the river banks.

Conservation groups are being set up to record the worst affected areas. In Wellow a particular problem area has already been identified around the Foxes Lane ford (see the map below). This will need to be cleared next summer.



These local groups will then be organising “pulling-up” days to get rid of it. Although these are big plants they have relatively short roots making them easy to pull out of the damp riverside soil. The best time to do this is during the summer months before the seed capsules explode!

Interested in joining the group to help locate the problem areas? Interested in joining in one of the “pulling out” days? If so please contact Angela Peter of NFNP on 01590 646654.

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We are planning a training session to allow Councillors to explore the benefits (or not) of producing a “Neighbourhood Plan”. This is an initiative introduced through the Localism Act and came into effect earlier this year. The main attraction is that it could provide us with a greater say in planning issues. Watch this space!

Finally, Happy Holidays to all and a prosperous New Year!

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