

Cambridgeshire Branch

Working to make a difference. How you can help.

by Richard Pemberton - County Chairman

In 2013 we managed to raise in the region of £20,000 for the seventh successive year



First of all my thanks go to the Cambridgeshire Committee who form the backbone of our fundraising efforts. Without their dedicated support, enthusiasm and impressive fundraising initiatives, the research of the Trust would be far less effective. My thanks also to our numerous sponsors and supporters who give so generously of their time and money.

Joining the county committee or offering a helping hand at events can be great fun and is a marvellous way of meeting like-minded people who either enjoy shooting or appreciate the beauty of the countryside. Do contact me if you would like to get involved. The purpose of this newsletter is to alert you to forthcoming events in what promises to be an exciting year. Do contact me or any of the other event organisers if you would like further details.

Our unique approach to conservation

For more than 80 years the GWCT, as a leading charity, has been revolutionising the way that the British countryside is managed for the benefit of game and other wildlife. Through its research, the Trust has developed more practical solutions for managing the countryside in a sympathetic way for wildlife than probably any other organisation. The aim of the GWCT is to support those that are helping to restore our countryside and its wildlife with comprehensive practical advice backed up by science.

Although some species are showing signs of recovery, others are faring less well. GWCT research is proving pivotal in the battle to help species such as upland waders, water voles, woodcock, brown hares, Atlantic salmon and wold grey partridges.

Simulated Game Shoot on 10 May 2014



Now in its third year, this hugely popular event will be run as a team event for up to 50 teams, aimed at game shots to recreate the feel of a traditional mixed game day. My thanks to John Latham and Richard Clarke for allowing us to use this fantastic venue. We are expecting greater numbers this year from Cambridgeshire and Suffolk, so please reserve your team space by booking early!

Shoot Sweepstakes

This is one of the most effective ways to raise funds for the important work of the Trust. If you would like to take part as a shoot or a travelling syndicate, or to obtain more information and a shoot pack, please contact **Tim Furbank, 01480 890686** or at tim@oakbankgc.co.uk. For every £100 raised a bottle of Sloe gin is awarded to the donating shoot. Thank you so much to those shoots who took part and helped to raise nearly £5000 in 2013.


Membership

The GWCT has nearly 20,000 members and many of these actively participate in field sports. Members form the backbone of the Trust and without continued support the GWCT would cease to function effectively. Unfortunately membership of the GWCT has been falling over the last few years. Please double check that your subscription has not lapsed and encourage others to join. For further details, please contact: **Raymond Hodgson** – Membership Organiser, **07842 966292** or rhodgson@gwct.org.uk

Emailing

Email is by far the quickest and most cost effective way to communicate with our members. Do please let me know your contact details if you would like to receive Trust information in this way.

Getting ahead with social networking

 Facebook has more than 2,160 likes now! Our Facebook page is Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust (GWCT). Why not become one of our friends?

You can also follow us on Twitter [@Gameandwildlife](https://twitter.com/Gameandwildlife)



Our followers are growing on a daily basis and so far we have more than 3,240 followers. Do get your friends and family to follow us.

Keep up to date with national GWCT press activities by regularly visiting our news page www.gwct.org.uk/news. This will not only help to keep you informed, it will also improve our ranking on internet search engine sites.

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Events for 2014



Quiz Night
Tuesday
4 March
Quiz Master -
Francis Burkitt

Bourn Golf Club
Contact, *Jeanette Dennis*
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Simulated
Game Shoot
Saturday
10 May



Wadlow Farm,
Six Mile Bottom
Contact, *Katy Davies*
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Golf Day
Wednesday
25 June
Bourn Golf Club
Contact,
Toby Angel
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Shoot Walk
Wednesday 17 September

Loddington,
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