

Rivelin Valley Conservation Group



Autumn / Winter PROGRAMME 2025/6

TASK DAYS

Sun 30th Nov ***Task Day** Sun 22nd Feb ***Task Day**

Sun 25th Jan ***Task Day** Sun 26th April ***Task Day**

**RVCG Task Days are run by Graham Appleby (taskteam@btinternet.com)*

Open Meetings *(open to members and non-members)*

Thurs 13th Nov "[The Sheffield Swift Network](#)" with speaker Chet Cunago - Members of the Network, which is dedicated to the protection of Swifts in the city, will talk about their work and bring some examples of swift nesting provisions.

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Thurs 8th Jan "*Moorlands and Grouse Shooting*" with speaker Bob Berzins - Our new year of talks starts with Bob Berzins. Author of 'The Last Crow' and 'Snared', Bob has worked with activists and wildlife charities to improve the plight of wildlife in the Peak District. He will be speaking about grouse shooting on the moors.

Thurs 12th Feb "*Portland Works*" with speaker Paul Iseard - from The (world?) Famous Sheffield Shop will be giving a potted and entertaining history of Portland Works: past, present, and future. The cutlery works' main claim to fame is that it was the first to produce stainless-steel cutlery and is now home to over 30 small businesses.

Thurs 12th Mar "*The Last of the Little Mesters*" with speaker Peter Machan (postponed from September). Peter brings his fascination with the surviving heritage of the Sheffield cutlery industry. He has charted and researched the traditional craftspeople and their premises over the last 40 years. His talk is based on the rise, decline and survival of the Sheffield metal trades.

Open meetings begin at 7:30pm and normally held at Stephen Hill Methodist Church, 547 Manchester Rd, Sheffield S10 5PL unless otherwise specified. The entrance fee is £3 for members and £4 for non-members which includes refreshments.

Non-members are always welcome.

