



Welcome to Quaker Wood

Woodland maintained by volunteers for the benefit of the community and nature

What to look out for in NOVEMBER/DECEMBER:



- Volunteers have been clearing scrub and ditches, coppicing hazel and willow for sticks and maintaining paths.
- The structure of the dead hedge, created and maintained by members of Diss Youth Group as a shelter for wildlife, is clearly visible at the north-central end of the wood.

- *Leaves change colour. Each type of tree gradually emerges from a backdrop of the green mass of summer.*
- *The leaves of the European larch turn yellow. Stand close and you may notice the aroma of pine.*
- *Catkins on the silver birch are now dark and the bark peels.*



- As leaves fall, the structure of the laid hedges can be seen. (Hedge-laying is a technique used to provide a robust enclosure for livestock).
- The wood is alive with the activity of birds, squirrels and sometimes a muntjac deer.



- *Fruit is plentiful.*
- *Sloes can still be found on the bare branches of the blackthorn.*
- *Bunches of shrivelled, black berries cling to the wayfaring trees.*

- Bright red berries can be seen on the guelder rose and hawthorn. Few berries have survived on the holly.
- Rose hips adorn trees and shrubs.
- Magenta lobes cover the orange berries on the spindle.
- Dark berries can be found on the wild privet.



- *On sunny days at about 4.30 p.m., west-facing trees are illuminated and the sky glows in a range of colours.*



Thank you to all the volunteers who have created and maintain this woodland for the enjoyment of all.

If you would like to volunteer or make a financial contribution,

details can be found at www.quakerwood.org.uk

Photographs taken in Quaker Wood, November 2020.

Guess what we found!

