

EV and Jarman Centre

We first began our partnership with Jarman Centre back in 2017 and have since delivered 12 volunteering days with a further two taking place this spring/summer.

351 Volunteers

2,281.5 Volunteering Hours

£36,504* Financial value of volunteering hours *This is based on the UK TOMS Framework, a government endorsed measure of social value. This states an hours worth of volunteering is worth, in financial terms, just over £16.





The Jarman Centre







Opened in 1988, The Jarman Centre is Girlguiding Cambridgeshire East's Outdoor Centre at Newmarket. Set in 18 acres of private woodland, it is used as a residential centre by guiding/scouting, schools and other community groups making it an excellent safe and secure environment for youth development programmes and activities.

Projects

Over time, The Jarman Centre has cultivated a strong relationship with dedicated volunteer teams, whose invaluable support has played a crucial role in the management of the site. These volunteers have undertaken essential tasks to maintain and enhance the facility, which sees extensive use throughout the year.

Among the completed tasks is the clearing of additional outdoor areas to facilitate various activities such as trim trails, slack lines, and problem-solving exercises. This woodland clearance not only expands the usable space but also contributes to the enhancement of biodiversity, a key aspect of the site's ongoing development.

Volunteers have also been involved in tasks such as chopping and relocating wood piles to the woodshed, as well as cleaning and repainting the cabin. Additionally, as part of a broader environmental initiative, hundreds of trees have been planted on-site at The Jarman Centre. As these trees grow, they require ongoing maintenance, including the addition of new or replacement wooden canes for support, a task in which volunteers have provided valuable assistance.

Aligning to the UN Sustainable Goals:











Volunteer Feedback

'It brings people together, I got to know many people in a friendly environment. It was incredibly satisfying to see the positive impact of a few hours of collective work in the community. It was an overall excellent experience that surpassed my expectations.'









Volunteer Testimonials

'Not improve but keep having 'outside' opportunities that support nature / trees is what encouraged me to join, this was reiterated from others in the group and when I got back my team mates were gutted they didn't join in!'

'Great team building, a well organised activity - it was hard work but very rewarding, it was great to be out of the office and be surrounded by nature with fresh air but working with your new AZ colleagues at the same time!'

'I would encourage anyone to sign up for a Volunteering Day! It is great to give back to the local community and help others. It is also a brilliant way to get to know colleagues that you may not work with as closely on a day to day basis, fostering great team work.'

'Everything went well :). The instructions were clearly and it was planned well in advance. The whole day seemed successful and it was great to connect with colleagues for team building purposes too.'

'Great team effort, making a visible difference by the end of the day'

'It was an overall excellent experience that surpassed my expectations.'





