

VPAG News – September 2025

VICTORIA PARK FESTIVAL – Saturday 13th Sept near Hill Ave/ Nutgrove Ave corner.

Always VPAG's highlight event of the year!

11.00 – Dog Show (entry per class £1)

12.00 – 18.00 – Festival with stalls, refreshments, live music, children's activities, etc.

Please bring donated cakes and biscuits to the **Cake Stall** and raffle prizes to the **Raffle Table** (To deliver raffle prizes beforehand, contact hello@vpag.org.uk)

The **VPAG tent** will have a display of the park's history and information about our activities.

Helpers needed! Set up from 8.30am-12.00: meet by Lodge then later downhill to put up gazebos. Clear-up from 5.30-7.00pm. Contact our Festival MC at hello@vpag.org.uk - if you can help with stalls, stewarding and other tasks between 12.00-5.30pm.

If the weather looks poor, look out for info via email and social media on Saturday morning.

Wildlife Group update: Following the unexpected early mowing of the wildflower bed, we have been liaising with the council to try to ensure we have advanced notice in future. The wildflowers do need to be cut back, so although the mowing looked drastic, no ecological harm was done.

Thanks to those who took part in the Bioblitz. The data is being crunched and will be shared at a later date.

We are now starting to schedule wildlife volunteer activities for autumn, which will include dead hedging and further wildflower bed preparation. Look out for details on the Wildlife WhatsApp noticeboard. To join the group and for all wildlife group enquiries, we can now be contacted via vpag.wildlife@gmail.com

Bristol Parks Volunteers 'Branching Out' day: Bristol Parks volunteers are holding a networking and learning day on Sunday 28th Sept. There's also a free lunch! For more information and if you are interested in attending, please follow the link.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/branching-out-parks-volunteer-networking-and-learning-tickets-1530111307109>

Victoria Park Water Maze needs water! Our councillor, Lisa Stone has created an online campaign to get the water restored to the maze. Please sign her petition and share the link. Thanks in advance. <https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/victoria-park-water-maze-needs-water>

Next VPAG meeting: Monday 6th October at 7.30pm in the Bowls Club in the park.
All welcome.