

2nd Alnwick Guides in College Valley : July 2006



During our weekend at Mount Hooly Bunkhouse we spent Saturday morning in & around the fenced off area where broad leaved species have been planted. Les Hardie came and explained what we could usefully do.

One group fastened plastic flaps to the fence to make it more visible to the black grouse so they wouldn't fly into it. The other 2 groups checked tree protectors for dead trees, marking them with pink paint; and also pulled out small spruce trees.

We noticed that there were lots of bilberries on the inside of the fence where the sheep couldn't eat them, but we could! They were very good. Some of us just picked and ate them, while others filled a bag and had them in the evening with pancakes!

