

And now it is over to you, I've been sent some lovely contributions this month.

Starting with Cedric, labelling and practical conservation volunteer. Cedric has been researching 'Witches Broom' and has kindly written up a piece for our newsletter.

Witch's broom

I seem to have always been aware of witch's broom on birches, generally caused by the fungus *Taphrina betulina*,



But, on a walk by Louisa Lake, I spotted these interesting ones on a couple of Douglas fir, *Pseudotsuga menziesii*:

