



Scout Emily Cashmore with her bird box.

## All ready for spring

SCOUTS, cubs and beavers in Long Sutton clubbed together to prepare a nature reserve for the arrival of Spring wildlife.

More than 60 youngsters, parents and leaders from 1st Long Sutton Scout Group cleaned up The Shrubberies nature reserve, adding in purpose-made habitats for animals such as voles, hedgehogs and mice.

The youngsters also put up 15 bird boxes, which they had made.

Assistant group scout leader Joanne Cashmore said: "Our youngsters were invited along to the reserve to be involved in making a positive impact on their local environment. The group is working towards its Environmental Award and being able to put a little back into the community means our young people have a greater respect for wildlife and for their surroundings."

M Ward Demolitions, of Sutton Bridge, and Mears Housing, of Peterborough, donated wood and materials for the bird boxes.

● Scout leaders are keen to hear from anyone who can volunteer their time to help them out on 0845 643 0465 or by visiting [www.handsscouts.com](http://www.handsscouts.com)



Cub Daniel Oldfield with his bird box at the nature reserve.