

Wildlife events at Cley Marshes

DECEMBER 2018 – APRIL 2019

Nature Reserve Information

NWT Cley Marshes, Coast Road, Cley next the Sea, NR25 7SA

The nature reserve

Entry to the visitor centre is free. Gift aid admission to the nature reserve is £5 and free for NWT members and children. Entry tickets can be bought from the visitor centre. The reserve is open daily from 10am.

Visitor centre

Our award-winning visitor centre is open every day, all year except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, 10am – 5pm (10am – 4pm 29 October to 28 February). Our staff and volunteers are always on hand to help you. The café serves excellent coffee, cakes, snacks and lunches and has an outdoor seating area on the terrace with breath-taking views. The gift shop has an outstanding selection of books as well as crafts, gifts and pottery.

The gallery

Our gallery is located in the thatch-roofed, wooden building. From here, explore the wildlife on the reserve using telescopes. Enjoy fantastic artwork – paintings, photography, textiles, printmaking and glass work – from local artists who take inspiration from the natural world. Optics specialists CleySpy are also located in the centre. They are on hand daily from 10am – 4pm to help you find the right equipment.

Simon Aspinall Wildlife Education Centre

Our education centre has been designed for visitors to discover and be inspired by wildlife and includes:

- Films, touchscreens and displays
- Events for all ages and abilities
- Adult learning workshops
- Evening talks and performances
- The Aspinall Centre can also be booked for business meetings and community use.
- Temporary exhibitions

The centre is named in memory of naturalist, Simon Aspinall (1958 – 2011) in recognition of his contribution to ornithology and nature conservation, both in the UK and abroad.

School and college visits

Cley Marshes provides school groups with great opportunities to explore both coastal and wetland habitats. A school day here will reflect the landscape, habitats and history of Cley Marshes, whilst complimenting school-based learning. We will tailor-make a timetable that suits your group's requirements. We offer a variety of sessions for primary, secondary and university education.

For more information speak to a member of staff at the visitor centre (NR25 7SA, grid ref: TG 054 440), visit our website: www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/discover-and-learn or contact: **Email:** davidf@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk or **Tel:** 01263 740008

General event information

- A large percentage of our events take place outside on the reserve, please dress accordingly to the changing weather of the North Norfolk Coast.
- Stout footwear is advised on the nature reserve.
- In the event of adverse weather please ring the visitor centre on 01263 740008 to check
- event alterations.
- Please inform our visitor centre if you wish to cancel an event as we often have a reserve list for our events.
- All children attending any events must be accompanied by an adult.
- Throughout the year we will be offering free taster events in the afternoon. These are short events, advertised on the day at the centre and will give you a flavour of wildlife on the reserve.

Binoculars for Hire

Available from the Visitor Centre. The NWT binocular is a perfect first binocular for any age range. It is rubber armoured and weatherproof with fully coated optics using BAK 4 Prisms

for a bright, sharp image. Charge: £3 per binocular (A £60 deposit will be taken for all binoculars hired.)

Guided Walks

TUESDAY 1 JANUARY

New Year's Day Wander

10.30am – 12.30pm

Why not start the year with a leisurely New Year's day wander? We will guide you around the reserve taking in the sights and sounds of winter wildlife on the North Norfolk Coast followed by mince pies and a hot drink back at the centre.

Cost: £5 NWT members, £7 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 5 JANUARY (CLEY BEACH CAR PARK)

SATURDAY 2 FEBRUARY (SALTHOUSE BEACH ROAD)

SATURDAY 2 MARCH (CLEY BEACH CAR PARK)

Beach Clean

10.30am – 12.30pm

Help us to clean up our shore to benefit coastal wildlife. There is always lots of exciting wildlife and mysterious marine objects to be found on the shore too. In the event of adverse weather please contact the visitor centre in advance to check for cancellations. All equipment provided.

Cost: Free

Booking essential: 01263 740008

TUESDAY 8 JANUARY

TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY

Raptor Roost

3.30 – 5.30pm

Just before sunset in the winter is a great time to observe raptors such as marsh harriers and barn owls as they soar above the reedbeds. Watch these stunning creatures in their natural habitat and hear about how we look after the reserve for these beautiful birds.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

WEDNESDAY 9 JANUARY

WEDNESDAY 23 JANUARY

WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH

Walk with the Warden

10.30am – 12.30pm

Bernard Bishop has been the warden for more than forty years and is the third generation of his family to work at Cley Marshes. Hear about the history of Cley, how the reserve has changed over time and what life is like as a warden on a coastal nature reserve. Suitable for all walking abilities.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

TUESDAY 15 JANUARY

TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY

TUESDAY 26 MARCH

Iron Road Ramble

10.30am – 1.30pm

Explore the new land in this circular walk along Attenborough's walk, up the iron road and back along the shingle ridge with our warden George Baldock. This walk will help you to discover a new walking route in the Cley to Salthouse living landscape and take in the spectacular wildlife along the way. This walk is approximately 3.5 miles in length.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY

WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH

Leg-stretch to Salthouse

10.30am – 1.30pm

Join us for a longer walk exploring the less well visited parts of our reserve whilst taking in the wider living landscape and Cley Marshes' place within it. This walk offers a history of the landscape from the perspective of both the people and wildlife which inhabit it. This walk is approximately 4.5 miles in length, please bring suitable footwear.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 20 JANUARY

SUNDAY 10 FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 10 MARCH

Ramble and Roast

10.30am – 2pm

The perfect Sunday. A guided stroll around the reserve taking in the sights and sounds of winter wildlife on the North Norfolk Coast. Then head back to the centre to warm back up with a home cooked Sunday roast and delicious pudding.

Cost: £17 NWT members, £20 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

TUESDAY 22 JANUARY

TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

TUESDAY 19 MARCH

Walsey Wander

10.30am – 12.30pm

Discover the huge variety of wildlife and habitats in the Cley to Salthouse Living Landscape. This walk starts at the visitor centre and heads east, up and along Walsey Hills with spectacular views across the marshes before heading down to Babcock hide and back along the Attenborough Way.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 27 JANUARY

SUNDAY 17 FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 31 MARCH

An Introduction to the Birds of Cley

10.30am – 12.30pm

If you are new to birdwatching and want to learn more about birds, no matter what your age, join us for a walk onto the reserve with the chance to see the wide variety of species Cley has to offer. Binoculars are available to hire.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

THURSDAY 31 JANUARY

THURSDAY 7 MARCH

THURSDAY 28 MARCH

Circuit of Cley

10.30am – 1pm

A guided circuit walk around the reserve and along the shingle ridge taking in the wildlife and habitats of the North Norfolk coast along the way. The walk is approximately 3.5 miles.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 17 MARCH

Wildlife Walk with Women

10.30am – 1.30pm

Join one of our friendly guided walks for women, led by one of our fantastic female reserve guides. In this relaxed event you will discover the incredible birdlife found at Cley.

Cost: £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Lunch Talks

All lunch time talks include a light lunch

Time: 1.30 – 3pm

Cost: £8 NWT members, £10 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

THURSDAY 10 JANUARY

Fur, Fins and Feathers

Following his talk last year on Birds and their Gift of Music, Mike Green returns to introduce a wide range of recordings of music inspired by the variety of creatures with which we share this wonderful planet. Examples will feature fish, insects, birds and other animals and the music may be familiar, humorous, unexpected or surprising!

THURSDAY 24 JANUARY

Wars and Wildlife

Richard Porter is the author of Birds of the Middle East and adviser for BirdLife International's Middle East programme. He is also a Trustee of the journal, British Birds and is on the council of the World Land Trust. He will be talking about his bird study and conservation travels in the Middle East over 50 years with special emphasis on war-torn Yemen and Iraq.

THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY

Southern Ocean Fisheries: The Conflicts Between Fisheries and Seabirds

Inigo Everson has over 50 years of experience in Antarctic fisheries research. His involvement in establishing and implementing fishing regimes in these harsh environments has afforded him unique insights into the conflicts involved in this challenging commercial, environmental, political and social minefield. In this talk, using his own photographs and films, he will concentrate on the Patagonian toothfish fishery and its impacts on seabirds.

THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY

North Norfolk's Deep History Coast

The importance of Norfolk's coast cannot be overestimated, as over the past 20 years' local discoveries have helped to change our perception of when and why our distant relatives first arrived on our shores. Deep History Coast is a new and exciting initiative, which integrates some of the county's most significant archaeological and fossil sites in the landscape with museum collections. North Norfolk District Council with Norfolk Museums Service are currently working hard to bring the history of Norfolk's outstanding coastline to life as 2019 sees the beginning of North Norfolk's Deep History Coast trail coming to life.

THURSDAY 14 MARCH

Seahenge and her Sister: Norfolk Wildlife Trust's Bronze Age Archaeology

The discovery of Seahenge, a Bronze Age timber circle on Holme-next-the-Sea beach, has resulted in twenty years of research. David Robertson will give an illustrated talk on Seahenge, the neighbouring second circle, and the dating of both to the 2049 BC. He will explore how they might have been used, their significance to the study of timber circles in the British Isles, and how they might have been affected by environmental changes.

THURSDAY 28 MARCH

Looking for the Goshawk – The Lost Raptor

Author and conservationist Conor Mark Jameson explores the roots of his fascination with the northern goshawk, his quest to understand the 'phantom of the forest' better, and our relationship with it. The search takes him to some of the UK's remotest forests, including his native Scotland, and some of continental Europe's most populous cities.

Evening Talks

Evening talks include supper

Time: 7pm supper, 7.45pm talk

Cost: £10 NWT members, £12 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

THURSDAY 10 JANUARY

Tim Birkhead – The Wonderful Mr Willughby: The First Ornithologist

Every birdwatcher should be grateful to Francis Willughby. It was Willughby who in 1678, with his colleague John Ray, wrote the first decent encyclopaedia of birds. It was Willughby who pioneered a rigorous and sensible approach to bird identification, putting in place a system that we still use today. But Willughby is relatively unknown and under-valued – until now. For the past ten years Tim Birkhead has been researching Willughby's extraordinary, but short life (he died at 36) and we now know that he deserves much more credit than he's had. This talk will reveal Willughby's remarkable contribution to the study of birds.

THURSDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Isabella Tree – Wilding

Isabella Tree is an award-winning travel writer and author, married to the conservationist Charlie Burrell. Her latest book Wilding is the amazing story of their daring wildlife experiment: the rewilding of Knepp Estate in West Sussex, the restoration of nature and the astonishing recovery of flora and fauna.

THURSDAY 11 APRIL

Mark Cocker – Our Place

Mark Cocker is an award-winning author and naturalist. His latest book Our Place is partly a work of history, partly a personal geographical quest and partly a philosophical inquiry into our relationship with the rest of life in Britain. It has been described in the Sunday Times as 'a sobering and magnificent work'. Tonight Mark Cocker launches the paperback edition.

Natural History Workshops

All workshops are suitable for all abilities.

They are designed as an introduction to the subject.

MONDAY 7 JANUARY

SATURDAY 9 FEBRUARY

Wildfowl and Waders

10.30am – 3.30pm

These workshops will help you identify shorebirds at Cley Marshes with an emphasis on waders and wildfowl on the reserve. The workshop will include both an indoor session looking at key identification features as well as heading out to the reserve to look for birds.

Venue: NWT Cley Marshes

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 24 FEBRUARY

Winter Visitors

10.30am – 3.30pm

Tour guide and ornithologist Carl Chapman will deliver an indoor illustrated presentation in the morning highlighting what we can expect at Cley in terms of winter visitors and why they are here. After lunch we will follow up what we have learned with a walk around the reserve to find and observe some of the birds first hand.

Venue: NWT Cley Marshes

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 2 MARCH

Wild Mammal Tracking

10.30am – 1.30pm

Mammals are often difficult to observe in the field, however, they leave plentiful 'spoor' – their footprints, feeding signs and poo! In this workshop we will look for and identify the tracks and signs of woodland mammals. We will also take a look at the trail cameras we have set up in the Park. This workshop is part of a partnership programme between NWT and the National Trust.

Venue: Sheringham Park

Cost: £17.50

Booking essential: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/sheringham-park

SATURDAY 23 MARCH

Unravelling the Historic Landscape

10.30am – 3.30pm

The interaction of the environment and people over a thousand years has created the Cley Marshes we know today. This indoor and outdoor workshop focuses on the history of the reserve's landscape and will explore historic maps, aerial images and surviving historic features, both in the classroom and outdoors on the reserve. Participants will be able use the knowledge and skills they acquire to interpret Norfolk's wider historic landscape. This workshop includes approximately 2 miles of walking.

Venue: NWT Cley Marshes

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 30 MARCH

Unseen Worlds: An Introduction to Underwater Life at Cley

10.30am – 3.30pm

The lifeblood of Cley is the water which runs through it. Both brackish and fresh, it nurtures the millions of small invertebrates upon which our bird populations depend. In this workshop, recently retired Professor in Water Ecology David Harper

will introduce you to Cley's wealth of aquatic life; it's taxonomy, adaptations and importance within food webs. You will also head out on to the reserve to collect your own specimens to bring back and examine in detail.

Venue: NWT Cley Marshes

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Art and Nature

All workshops are suitable for all abilities.

They are designed as an introduction to the subject.

TUESDAY 8 JANUARY

TUESDAY 15 JANUARY

TUESDAY 22 JANUARY

TUESDAY 29 JANUARY

TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY

TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY

Creative Writing Outside

10.30am – 1.30pm

A new six-week nature writing course led by local poet and creative writing teacher Jonathan Ward. Each week will include a walk and the opportunity to write outside in a different location within and around the Cley to Salhouse Living Landscape. Time will also be spent in the Education Centre looking at and creating poems and prose inspired by place, landscape, weather and the natural world. At the end of the course, participants will be offered the chance to take part in an event including a reading and a display of a selection of their work in the Education Centre. Beginners and more experienced writers are both welcome. (Note: The sequence of events and the balance of time spent writing out/indoors may vary slightly according to the winter weather conditions.)

Cost: £16 NWT members, £19 non-members or book all six events for £85 NWT members, £105 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 19 JANUARY

Ceramic Bird Sculpture

10.30am – 3.30pm

In this workshop, local artist Tim Willey will teach you how to construct hand-scale ceramic sculptures based on first-hand field observations and creative interpretation. After preliminary sketch-book observations, you will practice some essential hand-building techniques using a specially prepared clay. This will be followed by studio work, in which you will construct your own sculptures based on the techniques you have learnt and the visual information you have collected. For a small additional charge, the finished work can be left at the centre for drying and firing, to be collected at a later date. However, if this is not convenient, you will be able to take the work with you, to be air hardened at home.

Cost: £22 members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 26 JANUARY

Bishy Lace Group – Filling Spaces

10.30am – 3.30pm

Using needlelace techniques, this workshop explores different ways of filling a space, whether a circle, rectangle or random shape. These filled spaces can be independent of fabric or worked into a textile design, worked in white or colour, with embellishment or without. The scale of the project is also personal. This workshop is suitable for anyone with basic stitching skills – no knowledge of needlelace techniques is needed.

Cost: £22 members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY – SUNDAY 24 FEBRUARY
(EXCEPT SUNDAY 17 AND THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY)**Plastic Ocean Film Screening****2 – 4pm**

Plastic Ocean begins when journalist Craig Leeson, searching for the elusive blue whale, discovers plastic waste in what should be pristine ocean. In this adventure documentary, Craig teams up with free diver Tanya Streeter and an international team of scientists and researchers to explore the fragile state of our oceans, uncover alarming truths about plastic pollution, revealing working solutions that can be put into immediate effect. Rated U. Runtime 1h40mins

Cost: Free

FRIDAY 1 MARCH**Sally Holman – Creating a Scene****10.30am – 3.30pm**

Start to make a small picture using patchwork, quilting & embroidery techniques. You will be able to select a basic pattern from a selection of landscape or seascape themed designs. Bring your own fabric or purchase a themed fabric pack at a cost of approximately £10.

Cost: £22 members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 2 MARCH**Make a Willow Bird feeder****10.30am – 1.30pm**

Learn how to make a willow bird feeder. The bird feeder is suitable for holding fat balls but also looks lovely in the kitchen full of fruit or fairy lights. This is a great project for beginners as you will learn two weaves, binding knots, a simple border and how to put on a handle. All materials provided. Please wear long trousers.

Cost: £22 members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 9 MARCH**Performance by attendees of the Creative Writing Outside Course****2 – 3pm**

Join us for a reading of works created by attendees of the creative writing outside course and the unveiling of their work.

Cost: Free

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 16 MARCH**Lorraine Auton – Introduction to Acrylics**

10.30am – 1.30pm

Best suited to beginners and those wishing to experiment with Acrylic. Using a muted colour scheme you will follow step by step instructions to paint a scene based on the fantastic view from the gallery window onto a slate tile. All materials will be included.

Cost: £16 NWT members, £19 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 31 MARCH

Alison D'Oyley – Introduction to Linocut

10.30am – 3.30pm

An opportunity to learn more about linocut printing and have a go at cutting your own block and printing your design. This workshop will use purpose made soft cut Vinyl, easier to cut than traditional lino, together with water soluble inks.

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Family Events

MONDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Meet a Hedgehog

10.30am – 1pm

Join Marian Grimes from Hedgehog Haven (North Norfolk) and her prickly friends to learn about Marian's rescue centre, the secret lives of hedgehogs and how we can help protect this endangered species.

Cost: Free

WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

Capturing Cley

10.30am – 1.30pm

Explore and film exciting wildlife at Cley using handheld cameras. Then watch your films on the big screen in our education centre. All equipment provided. If you would like to take away a copy of your films, please bring a USB memory stick with you.

Cost: £4 children (accompanying adult free)

Booking essential: 01263 740008

FRIDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Bird Box Making

10.30am – 12.30pm

Encourage birds into your garden by building a wooden bird box and making your own bird food concoction. We will be heading out to the reserve to practice our bird watching skills.

Cost: £4 children (accompanying adult free)

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Health and Wellbeing

TUESDAY 8 JANUARY

Yoga for new beginnings

6 – 7.30pm

Join local yoga teacher Dr Eva Edwards for a rejuvenating yoga session aimed to rebalance and revive body, breath and mind. Suitable for all abilities.

Cost: £8

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 14 APRIL

Movement and Meditation with the Marsh

10.30am – 3.30pm

Join local body based therapist Red K. Elders in a day of guided meditation and gentle movement exercises in our education centre and on our reserve. This workshop is suitable for all ages and abilities.

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Cley Calling: Wild Winter

Thursday 6 – Sunday 9 December

Celebrate everything that makes Norfolk's winters wild and wonderful!

THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER

Tristan Gooley – How to Read Water SOLD OUT

10.30am – 12.30pm

Discover the secrets of ponds, puddles, rivers, oceans and more on a walk with Tristan and learn the skills to read water. Drawing on his own experiences as well as the wisdom of Pacific Islanders, Vikings, Arab navigators and other pioneers, he will reveal the clues, signs and patterns in the water all around us and their meaning.

Cost: £16 NWT members, £19 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER

Night Sky Photography

1.30 – 3pm

In this talk Shaun Reynolds will be our guide to the winter night skies. He will explore images of galaxies, emission nebula and star clusters and share practical advice on how to produce your own photographs, including how to capture the Milky Way.

Cost: £8 NWT members, £10 non-members (includes a light lunch)

THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER

Tristan Gooley – Wild Signs and Star Paths

7pm supper, 7.45 talk

The bestselling author shows how to achieve a level of awareness to sense direction from stars and plants, forecast weather from woodland sounds and predict the next action of an animal from its body language.

Cost: £10 NWT members, £12 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER

Weave and Decorate a Willow Christmas Tree and Reindeer SOLD OUT

10.30am – 1.30pm

Extra date added on 12 December!

Come and make a festive willow Christmas tree and reindeer in this workshop with local artist, Karen Lawrence. Once completed there will be time to decorate your creations! Feel free to bring along your own or decorations will be available to buy at an additional cost.

Cost: £22 NWT members, £26 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER

Sam Lee SELLING FAST

6.30pm doors for food and bar, 8pm performance

Sam Lee is a Mercury Prize nominated folk singer, song collector and nature lover who fuses the roots of tradition and the ambition to connect the nation deeper with nature and our environment.

Cost: £12 NWT members, £15 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER

Beach Clean 10.30am – 12 noon

Help us to clean up our shore to benefit coastal wildlife. There is always lots of exciting wildlife and mysterious marine objects to be found too. In the event of adverse weather please contact the visitor centre in advance to check for cancellations. All equipment provided. (Meet at the Cley beach car park)

Cost: Free

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER

Wildlife Watch for Children: Christmas at Cley

10.30 – 12.30am

Draw inspiration from this Living Landscape and create some unique Christmas decorations from natural materials.

Cost: £4 watch members, £6 non-members (one accompanying adult free)

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER

Mulled Wine and Mince Pies with the Norfolk Broads SELLING FAST

2 – 4pm

What better way to spend a winter afternoon than with mince pies, mulled wine and some winter warmers courtesy of the Norfolk Broads. "Young female quartet the Norfolk Broads are strong storytellers... Their close harmonies brought a witty feminist take to a well-curated set of tales of impotence, greedy landlords, and the joys of a single life." The Guardian

Cost: £10 members, £12 non-members (price includes mulled wine and mince pies)

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER

Stargazing for Families

7 – 9pm

The Norfolk coast, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, boasts some of the darkest skies in the country. Norwich Astronomical Society will be on hand with their powerful telescopes to identify the many spectacles of the night sky. One of their

experts will also be giving an introductory talk exploring the wonders of stargazing. Hot drinks and hot food will be available for an additional cost.

Cost: £1.50 children, £3 adults

SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER

Ramble and Roast SOLD OUT

10.30am – 2pm

The perfect Sunday! A guided stroll around the reserve taking in the sights and sounds of winter wildlife on the North Norfolk Coast. Then head back to the centre to warm back up with a Sunday roast and delicious pudding.

Cost: £17 NWT members, £20 non-members

Booking essential: 01263 740008

SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER

Poetry in Ocean

2 – 3.30pm

Susan Richardson's fourth collection of poetry, *Words the Turtle Taught Me*, themed around endangered marine species, has just been published. Susan has performed on BBC2, BBC Radio 4 and at festivals both nationally and internationally. Susan is bringing her multi-media *Words the Turtle Taught Me* poetry show to NWT Cley Marshes.

Cost: Children free, £3.50 members, £5 non-members.

Cley Calling Presents

SATURDAY 16 MARCH

Leafcutter John

6.30pm doors for food and bar, 8pm performance

Leafcutter John is a London based Songwriter, Electronic Musician and Artist, he is also a member of Mercury Prize nominated act Polar Bear. Leafcutter John will be releasing his new album this year, a collection of songs created from wildlife field recordings from the Norfolk countryside.

Cost: £12 NWT members, £15 non-members (food and drink available at an additional cost)

Booking essential: 01263 740008

World Wetlands Day 2019

SATURDAY 2 FEBRUARY

10am – 4pm

To celebrate World Wetlands day and Cley's role as an internationally important wetland site, we are pleased to be offering free entry to the reserve for all. World Wetlands day marks the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands on 2 February 1971, in the Iranian city of Ramsar on the shores of the Caspian Sea.

Exhibition In The Education Centre

MONDAY 18 FEBRUARY – SUNDAY 17 MARCH

Sounding Coastal Change

10am – 4pm daily

Can sound help us think about environmental change? This exhibition showcases film and sound work exploring change on the North Norfolk Coast. Sound conveys thoughts and feelings sometimes difficult to put into words. It allows the many voices of people and environments to be expressed together. Sound encourages us to think about human experiences of time and the rhythms and thresholds of environmental change. The project team work with sound, music and different kinds of listening, to explore how the coast is changing and how people's lives are changing with it.

SUNDAY 17 FEBRUARY

Sounding Coastal Change Exhibition: Launch Reception

2 – 4.30pm

Join us to watch and listen to the exhibition film and sound pieces, followed by a discussion about the work and coastal change with the Sounding Coastal Change team. All welcome. Refreshments provided – please come and help us celebrate the launch!

Cost: Free

Booking essential: 01263 740008

Project funded by Arts & Humanities Research Council

Exhibitions in The Gallery

Free entry to all our exhibitions in The Gallery, which is open daily 10am – 4pm

WEDNESDAY 12 DECEMBER – TUESDAY 8 JANUARY

Steve Cale

Steve Cale has been a birdwatcher as long as he can remember and has drawn and painted birds almost as long. Over time Steve has been able to study birds in their natural surroundings, doing what they do and has tried to capture this in his paintings.

WEDNESDAY 9 JANUARY – TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY

Microscopic – Unseen by the Naked Eye

An exhibition of bobbin and needlelace. The Bishy Lace Group present Microscopic: all works include lace but also use other materials such as wire, metal, acetate and bones. Some of the work reflects microscopic sea life, others cell structure. Some are based on aspects of the nature and landscape around the North Norfolk Coast or on our own personal histories and interests.

WEDNESDAY 6 – TUESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

Peter Mallett

An exhibition of stunning photographs by Norfolk farmer and wildlife photographer Peter Mallett. Many of Peter's photographs are taken on his Norfolk smallholding which is home to several declining species including spotted flycatchers, yellowhammers and turtle doves. Following a recent photography trip this exhibition

will also feature photos some of Scotland's iconic species such as red squirrel and crested tit.

WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY – TUESDAY 5 MARCH

Michael Sweeny and Annette Kreiser

Michael paints and draws local wildlife and landscapes. He also makes collages from natural and man-made objects found while beachcombing in Norfolk.

Annette is a printmaker fascinated by weathered surfaces and the stories they tell: such as fragments of Second World War aircraft aluminium found on Norfolk beaches, which have been naturally etched by the sea.

The images printed from the fragments suggest the intricate coastlines the aircraft once followed.

WEDNESDAY 6 – TUESDAY 19 MARCH

Lorraine Auton – Norfolk Wildlife Artist

Since moving to the Norfolk Broads Lorraine tries to represent the diverse wildlife and nature of this unique location. Working in acrylic she particularly enjoys the challenge of capturing movement in her studies. Lorraine is passionate about conservation and hold various fund raising exhibitions from her gallery in Acle.

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH – TUESDAY 2 APRIL

Alison D'Oyley – Naturally Diverse

Naturally Diverse is an exhibition by local artist Alison D'Oyley, delving into the diverse wildlife of Norfolk and beyond. Alison uses a variety of media in her work, including pen, watercolour, silkscreen/ linocut print and also stitch – or a combination of these.