

# **Wildlife events across Norfolk**

## **April – July 2019**

### **Exploring Norfolk's wildlife**

We are lucky in Norfolk to have wonderful wild places and stunning wildlife to encounter and enjoy.

### **Our reserves:**

NWT Cley Marshes A149 Coast Road, NR25 7SA

NWT Pigneys Wood Hall Lane, Knapton, NR28 0SH

NWT Thorpe Marshes Whitlingham Lane, NR7 0QA

NWT Ranworth Broad Broad Road, NR13 6HY

NWT Hickling Broad Stubb Road, NR12 0BW

NWT Foxley Wood Themelthorpe Road, NR20 4QR

NWT Bretts Wood Off A148, NR21 0BB

### **Walks are rated to show the likely difficulty.**

Level 1: An easy walk, gentle and even.

Level 2: Intermediate, may be steep or uneven in places.

Level 3: Challenging, likely to be uneven or steep.

Norfolk Wildlife Trust offers a programme of walks, talks and events throughout the county for adults, children and families. These are organised by staff, visitor centres and our eight Local Groups.

### **General event information**

- For events that take place outside, please dress accordingly to changing weather conditions; stout footwear is advised.
- In the event of adverse weather please call 01603 625540 to check event alterations.
- Please inform us 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
- Please note: For non-members, a reserve entrance fee applies to events taking place on reserves with an entrance fee, see our website for more details: [www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

Local Groups Run by NWT members on a voluntary basis, all are welcome at our events and you do not need to be a member of the Trust. To find out more contact your Local Group:

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Broadland Jerry Simpson: 01692 630674

Fakenham Robin Parker: 01328 864399

Mid Norfolk Ina Zweiniger: 01362 822047

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Wymondham Ann Carpenter: 01508 488337

Or email [NameOfGroup@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:NameOfGroup@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

## **Booking**

Not all events need to be booked ahead of time, but where booking is essential please telephone as places may be limited. Please contact the organiser if you would like more information.

For general enquiries about NWT events call: 01603 625540.

All information is correct at the time of going to print, however occasionally details may change. Please contact the event organiser if you would like to confirm arrangements or visit our website for up-to-date listings.

## **NWT Regular Guided Walks**

### **Boom of the Bittern Walk**

**Sundays: 7 and 14 April, 5 and 19 May, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

Meet at the visitor centre before heading to the classroom for a short presentation. Guided walk to the Bittern hide, listening for the booming call, from where we'll look for the rare bird.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

**Cost:** £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

*NWT, Walk*

### **Marvellous Moths**

**Saturdays: 13 and 20 April, 11 and 25 May, 8 and 22 June, 1– 3pm**

Join us as we open our moth traps. A walk with the warden will follow this to discover day flying Breckland moths.

**Venue:** NWT Weeting Heath

**Cost:** £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01842 827615

*NWT, Walk*

### **Thorpe Marshes Guided Walks**

**Thursday 18 April, 10am – 12 noon**

**Wednesday 8 May, 10am – 12 noon**

**Tuesday 4 June, 7 – 9pm**

Join local naturalist, Chris Durdin, for a meander at Thorpe Marshes and discover the reserve's wildlife. Bring binoculars and a camera if you have them.

**Venue:** NWT Thorpe Marshes, pedestrian railway bridge at the end of Whitlingham Lane.

**Cost:** Free

*NWT, Walk, Family, L1*

### **Guided Walk around Pigneys Wood**

**Thursday 18 April, 2pm**

**Saturday 18 May, 10am**

**Saturday 22 June, 2pm**

Pigneys Wood is home to new and old woodland, veteran trees, a variety of wetlands (including ponds, scrapes and reedbeds), open grassy meadows – and even a new heathland. Spend around two hours exploring the reserve at a gentle pace, with plenty of chances to stop and see the wildlife.

**Venue:** NWT Pigneys Wood

**Cost:** Free

*NWT, Walk*

### **Introduction to Broadland Birds**

**Saturdays: 20 April, 18 May and 1 June, 9.30am – 11.30am**

Join us for an introductory session in the Education Hut before heading out onto the reserve. Will include a boat trip to the hides. Binoculars are available to hire.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

**Cost:** £10 NWT members, £12 non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

*NWT, Walk*

### **Ranworth Flora Walks**

**Fridays 26 April, Friday 10 and Tuesday 21 May, Friday 14 and Friday 28 June, 11am – 12 noon**

A guided walk around the reserve exploring the rich flora on offer. If you are new to wildlife exploring and want to learn more this will provide you with an introduction to some of the most characterful and charismatic plants that are found in the Norfolk Broads.

**Venue:** NWT Ranworth Broad

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

**Booking essential:** 01603 270060

*NWT, Walk*

### **Breckland Flora Walks with the Warden**

**Saturday 27 April, 10.30am – 12.30pm and 1.30 – 3.30pm**

Join us for a walk with the warden around the reserve to explore rare arable veronicas and other rare Breckland flora.

**Venue:** NWT Weeting Heath

**Cost per walk:** £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01842 827615

*NWT, Walk*

### **Dawn Chorus Walk**

**Saturdays: 4 and 11 May, 5.30 – 7.30am**

A guided walk around the reserve to celebrate the arrival of spring and to witness nature's daily miracle, the dawn chorus. Breakfast included. Binoculars are available to hire.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

**Cost:** £8.50 NWT members, £10 non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

*NWT, Walk*

### **The Broads Walk Challenge**

**Saturday 15 – Sunday 16 June**

A 25km, 50km, or 90km route around the Norfolk Broads, The Broads Walk Challenge by Inspire Races offers the perfect location for one of the best river walks in the UK.

The trails take you through some of Norfolk's most special habitats (including NWT nature reserves).

**Cost:** Entry fees will vary by route and minimum sponsorship options. For more information visit [www.inspireraces.co.uk/thebroadswalkchallenge](http://www.inspireraces.co.uk/thebroadswalkchallenge) or call 01603 451554

*NWT, Walk*

### **Summer Butterfly Walk**

**Monday 15 July, 12.45 – 3.30pm**

A walk with County Recorder Andy Brazil. No experience is necessary, anyone over 18 welcome and under 18s if accompanied by an adult. For further information call 07843 069567 or email: [markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

**Venue:** NWT Bretts Wood

**Cost:** Free, tea and coffee is provided

*NWT, Walk*

### **Close Encounters with Moths**

**Wednesday 26 June, 9 – 10.30am**

Trap opening with expert Greg Bond. Join us for the moment of discovery as we open up the traps to see the variety of moths caught overnight. For further information call 07843 069567 or email: [markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

**Venue:** NWT Pigneys Wood

**Cost:** Free, tea and coffee is provided

*NWT, Walk*

### **Summer Insect Walk**

**Wednesday 24 July, 1 – 3.45pm**

Join us for a walk with expert Rob Coleman. Finding and identifying insects and other minibeasts in the undergrowth at this site with an extremely wide variety of habitats.

Suitable for beginners and the more experienced. For further information call 07843 069567 or email: [markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:markw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

**Venue:** NWT Pigneys Wood

**Cost:** Free, tea and coffee is provided

*NWT, Walk*

## **Nature reserve guided walks**

Guided circuit walks around the reserve exploring its wildlife and habitats. Please bring binoculars although a limited number can be provided at most sites

**Cost per walk:** £3.50 NWT members, £5 non-members

(Reserve fee entry for non-members at Hickling)

*NWT, Walk*

### **Birds of Ranworth Walk**

**Mondays: 29 April, 13 and 27 May, 10 and 24 June, 11am – 12 noon**

**Booking essential:** 01603 270060

### **Hickling Butterfly Walk**

**Wednesdays: every week from 22 May until 7 August, 10.45am – 12.45pm**

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

### **Ranworth Ramble**

**Wednesdays: 24 April, 8 and 22 May, 5 and 19 June, 10 and 24 July, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Booking essential:** 01603 270060

### **Birds of Hickling Walk**

**Thursdays: 18 April, 9 and 23 May, 6 and 20 June, 4 and 18 July, 10.45am – 12.45pm**

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

### **Holme Ramble**

**Thursdays: 18 April, 9 May, 27 June, 25 July, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

**Booking essential:** 01485 525240

### **Holme Nature Walk**

**Thursdays: 2 and 30 May, 13 June, 11 July, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

**Booking essential:** 01485 525240

## **Children's Wildlife Watch**

### **Searching For Sharks**

**Saturday 13 April, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

Help us search for shark egg cases, more commonly known as mermaid purses. Learn new facts and help us identify the sharks which can be found off the North Norfolk coast.

**Venue:** Cley Marshes

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

*NWT, Family*

### **Bumblebees**

**Saturday 11 May, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

It's commonly known that bees play a vital role but how many of us know the difference between a buff-tailed bumblebee and a white-tailed bumblebee or recognise a common carder? You'll be brimming with bumblebee knowledge.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

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

*NWT, Family*

### **Plankton Party**

**Saturday 8 June, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

You may think plankton are plain but come and take a closer look under our microscope at these microscopic animals.

**Venue:** NWT Cley Marshes

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

*NWT, Family*

### **Ladybirds**

**Saturday 13 July, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

Lovely ladybirds, loved by many! Find out what their spots really say and learn more about the lives of ladybirds.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

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

*NWT, Family*

## **NWT Family Events**

### **Signs of Spring**

**Monday 8 April, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad, meet at the visitor centre

**Wednesday 10 April, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** entrance to NWT Ranworth Broad

**Wednesday 29 May, 1.30 – 3pm**

**Venue:** NWT Foxley Wood

**Thursday 30 May, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** NWT Pigneys Wood

Birds will be singing, the first butterflies may have emerged but who and what will we see?

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Family*

### **Dyke Dipping**

**Monday 8 April, 1 – 2.30pm**

**Venue:** dipping platform at NWT Hickling Broad

**Wednesday 10 April, 1.30 – 3pm**

**Venue:** entrance to NWT Ranworth Broad

**Friday 12 April, 1.30 – 3pm**

**Venue:** dipping platform at NWT Hickling Broad

**Sunday 28 April, 1 – 2.30pm**

**Venue:** dipping platform at NWT Thorpe Marshes

**Sunday 26 May, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

**Venue:** dipping platform at NWT Thorpe Marshes

**Sunday 28 July, 10.30am – 12.30pm**

**Venue:** dipping platform at NWT Thorpe Marshes

Discover the wonderful wildlife that can be found in the dykes. The experts will be on hand to help you tell your boatman from your beetle larvae.

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. (Reserve fee entry at Hickling for non-members). Event free and no booking at Thorpe Marshes.

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Family*

### **Miraculous Minibeasts**

**Friday 12 April, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

**Wednesday 29 May, 10.30am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** NWT Foxley Wood

**Thursday 30 May, 1.30 – 3pm**

**Venue:** NWT Pigneys Wood

Come forage among the foliage and search between the sedge for any minibeast which may be waiting. We'll be there with our bits and bobs to catch any bug or beast for a closer inspection.

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. (Reserve fee entry at Hickling for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Family*



### **Marvellous Moths**

**Every second and fourth Friday from 12 April to 28 June, 10.30am**

**Venue:** Holme Dunes

**Every Wednesday from April to 15 May when the butterfly walks are not running, 11am**

**Venue:** Hickling Broad

Join us as we open our moth traps and be amazed at the beauty, variety and extraordinary markings of the moths that live in Norfolk.

**Cost:** Free (Reserve fee entry for non-members at Hickling Broad)

*NWT, Family*

### **Memories From The Mill**

**Sundays: 14 April, 12 May, 9 June, 12 noon – 4pm**

Drop in anytime to look at photographs, climb right up into the cap and ask our Stubb Mill expert, Hazel questions about the mill. Please be aware there is a 1.2km walk to the mill from the visitor centre.

**Venue:** NWT Hickling Broad

**Cost:** Free NWT members and children, £4.50 (gift aid admission) non-members. (Cost includes entry to the reserve).

*NWT, Family, Walk, L1*

### **Rock Pool Rummaging**

**Tuesday 16 April, 10 – 11.30am**

**Wednesday 17 April, 11am – 12.30pm**

**Friday 31 May, 10.30am – 12 noon**

Come along with sturdy shoes and keen eyes and help us carefully investigate the secrets of the seashore. If you don't know a barnacle from a belemnite the experts will be on hand to identify your finds. Please arrive 15 minutes early to sign up.

**Venue:** West Runton Beach, meet outside the beach café

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. Charge for car park

*NWT, Family*

### **Fascinating Fossils**

**Tuesday 16 April, 12.30 – 2pm**

**Wednesday 17 April, 1.30 – 3pm**

**Friday 31 May, 1 – 2.30pm**

You won't believe the creatures that used to call Norfolk home! See the remains of some of the amazing beasts that were found here millions of years ago. Good explorers may be lucky enough to find a fossil to take. Please arrive 15 minutes early to sign up.

**Venue:** West Runton Beach, meet outside the beach café

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. Charge for car park

*NWT, Family*

### **Searching For Sharks**

**Thursday 18 April, 10.30am – 12 noon**

A very different type of egg hunt! Come and search for sharks' egg cases, more commonly known as mermaid purses.

**Venue:** NWT Holme Dunes, meet outside the visitor centre

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. Non-member car park fee applies.

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Family*

### **Coastal Creations**

**Thursday 18 April 1 – 2.30pm**

A strandline scavenger to find natural materials to decorate your own coastal creations. We'll be there to tell you if you are using a razor shell for fingers or angel wing clams as fins.

**Venue:** NWT Holme Dunes, meet outside the visitor centre

**Cost:** £3 NWT members, £3.50 non-members. Non-member car park fee applies.

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Family*

### **Easter Egg-venture Trails**

**19 April to 22 April 10am – 4pm**

Family Fun days at all our reserves with visitor centres. Celebrate spring with Easter egg-venture trails, crafting activities and free use of our explorer bags.

**Venue:** NWT Cley Marshes, NWT Hickling Broad, NWT Holme Dunes, NWT Ranworth Broad, NWT Weeting Heath

**Cost:** £1.50 with chocolate prizes to be won, kindly supplied by Kinnerton

*NWT, Family*

### **Stody Lodge Open Gardens**

**Wednesday 22 May 1– 5pm**

Come and explore these exceptional rhododendron and azalea gardens at Stody Lodge, North Norfolk – open to the public exclusively on selected dates in May. We have been given the opportunity to serve tea and homemade cakes in the gardens to raise funds towards our work safeguarding Norfolk's wildlife and wild places. With thanks to the MacNicol family for choosing to support us in this way.

**Venue:** Stody Lodge, near Holt, NR24 2ER

**Cost:** £7 (under 12s free)

*Family*

### **The Bishop's Garden Open Afternoon**

**Sunday 9 June, 1 – 5pm**

NWT Open Garden at the Bishop's House, in aid of our Children And Nature Fund. Explore the beautiful garden and all it has to offer, with minibeast hunting, crafts and activities for children as well as wildlife expert demonstrations, talks and plant stalls for grown-ups.

Homemade cakes and

refreshments will be available for all the family and lots more to see and do.

**Venue:** Bishop's House, Norwich, NR3 1SB

**Cost:** £4 (Free entry for wheelchair users and children)

*Family*

### **Thorpe Marshes Family Fun**

**Sunday 30 June, 10.30am – 2.30pm**

A fun day exploring the wonderful wildlife which can be found across the reserve. There will be dyke dipping, guided walks, miraculous minibeads and more. Part of the Water, Mills & Marshes project funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

**Venue:** NWT Thorpe Marshes

**Cost:** Free

*NWT, Family*

### **Dawn Chorus Boat Trails**

Join us on a guided walk through the reserve before taking a magical dawn boat trail on the broad to celebrate the arrival of spring and to witness nature's daily miracle, the dawn chorus.

*NWT, Family*

**Sundays: 5 and 12 May, 4.30 – 7.30am**

**Venue:** Hickling Broad

**Cost:** £16 for adult NWT members, £10 child NWT members or £18.50 adult non-members, £11.50 for child non-members (Reserve fee entry for non-members)

**Booking essential:** 01692 598276

**Sunday 5 May, 6 – 8am**

**Venue:** Ranworth Broad

**Cost:** £15 adult NWT members, £8.50 child NWT members, or £17 adult non-member, £10 child non-members

**Booking essential:** 01603 270060

## **Local Group events**

### ***April***

#### **Geodiversity and Biodiversity – Making the Links in South Norfolk**

**Tuesday 2 April, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Talk by Tim Holt-Wilson.

**Venue:** The Meeting Point, Withburga Lane, Dereham, NR19 1ED

**Cost:** £2 NWT members, £2.50 non-members

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Talk*

#### **Wildlife of The King's Dyke Nature Reserve**

**Wednesday 10 April, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Illustrated talk by Environmental Consultant Phil Parker about the award-winning King's Dyke Nature Reserve, which was developed from old brickpits near Peterborough.

**Venue:** Alec Bussey Scout Centre off Rowington Road, Norwich, NR1 3RR

**Cost:** £2 including refreshments

*Norwich Local Group, Talk*

#### **AGM & Garden Birdwatch**

**Thursday 11 April, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Short AGM followed by Rosemary Jones of the BTO talking about the Garden Birdwatch and the value of this type of monitoring.

**Venue:** Town Green Centre, Wymondham, NR18 0PW

**Cost:** £2

*Wymondham Local Group, Talk*

#### **The Galapagos Islands**

**Friday 12 April, 7.45 – 9.30pm**

An illustrated talk by Anna Meek.

**Venue:** Ingham Village Hall, NR12 9TD

**Cost:** £2 NWT members, £3 non-members, includes refreshments

*Broadland Local Group, Talk*

#### **Pingos and Pool Frogs**

**Sunday 14 April, 10am – 12 noon**

Join us for a guided walk led by a member of the NWT Brecks team, around NWT Thompson and the Pingo Trail to discover the pool frogs. Due to the nature of this walk please leave your dogs at home.

**Venue:** Meet at Gt Eastern Pingo Trail, Thompson Common car park on the B1111, NR17 1DP

**Cost:** £2 NWT members, £3 non-members

**Booking essential:** 01953 717227

*Breckland Local Group, Walk, Level 2*

### **Walk at Lynford Arboretum and Lakes**

**Sunday 14 April, 10am – 12 noon**

**Venue:** Meet in car park opp. Arboretum (Grid ref: TL 823 943)

**Cost:** free

*Fakenham Local Group, Walk, 2 Miles*

### **Hoe Bird Walk, Hoe Common**

**Sunday 21 April, 8 – 11.30am**

Monthly walks to record and observe birds and wildlife. New members always welcomed.

**Venue:** Meet in the lane to Hoe Common at Grid ref: TF 989 173. Walk can be joined from 9.15am, if preferred, from the same point.

**Cost:** Free

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Walk, 3 Miles, Level 1*

### **Snettisham Beach and Coastal Park**

**Wednesday 24 April, 10am – 12 noon**

A spring seaside walk through a variety of different habitats adjoining The Wash to see what we can see in scrub, dunes and sea.

**Venue:** Meet at RSPB car park, Beach Road, Snettisham (Grid ref: TF 654 334)

**Cost:** Free

*West Norfolk Local Group, Walk, 2 Miles, Level 2*

### **The Badger: Ecosystem Diversifiers**

**Thursday 25 April, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Will Fitch's talk will take us through badger ecology and behaviour and show how they affect ecosystems; humorous personal badger experiences will be included.

**Venue:** Hunstanton Methodist Church Hall, Austin Street, Hunstanton, PE36 6AL

**Cost:** £2.50 NWT members, £3 non-members, including refreshments

*West Norfolk Local Group, Talk*

### **Guided Walk on Salthouse Heath**

**Sunday 28 April, 10.30am – 1pm**

Join Ecologist and Salthouse Heath Trustee, Ed Stocker on a walk on the coastal heath at Salthouse for flowers, birds, archaeology and more.

**Venue:** Meet at the Bard Hill Car Park at Grid ref: TG 072 429

**Cost:** Donations welcome

*Norwich Local Group, Walk, 2 Miles, Level 2*

### **The Wildlife of the Brazilian Pantanal & Iguazu Falls**

**Monday 29 April, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Illustrated talk by Liz Stephens, wildlife traveller and speaker.

**Venue:** Hempton Memorial Hall, NR21 7LG

**Cost:** £2.50

*Fakenham Local Group, Talk*

## **May**

### **Scarning Water Meadows Evening Walk**

**Tuesday 7 May, 7 – 8.30pm**

Join the Mid Norfolk Local Group for an evening guided walk around Scarning Water Meadows. For enquiries please contact Ina Zweiniger on 01362 822047 or [inazweiniger@gmail.com](mailto:inazweiniger@gmail.com).

**Venue:** Meet Washbridge, Dereham, NR19 1EB

**Cost:** Free

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Walk*

### **Unseen worlds: An Introduction to Underwater Life at Hickling**

**Wednesday 8 May, 10.30am – 3.30pm**

Recently retired Professor in Water Ecology David Harper will introduce you to Hickling's wealth of aquatic life; its 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 Hickling Broad

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

**Booking essential:** 01603 625540

*NWT, Talk*

### **Conservation in Norfolk's Farmland**

**Thursday 9 May, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Talk by Mike Edwards of Norfolk's Farming and Advice Group about their work offering advice and guidance on management and conservation in the environment to farmers and land managers.

**Venue:** Town Green Centre, Wymondham, NR18 0PW

**Cost:** £2

*Wymondham Local Group, Talk*

### **Dawn Chorus in the Rosary Cemetery**

**Sunday 12 May, 5.30 – 7.30am**

Join Jon Shutes on a dawn chorus walk in and around the Rosary Cemetery looking out for and listening to resident and newly arrived summer migrants. Breakfast is available at nearby Britannia cafe from 8am. No dogs please, as they are not allowed on site.

**Venue:** Meet by the pedestrian gate on Telegraph Lane East, Norwich, NR1 4AN. Parking on Telegraph Lane East

**Cost:** Donations to the Friends of the Rosary welcomed

*Norwich Local Group, Walk, 2 Miles, Level 2*

### **Visit to Lackford Lakes, Suffolk**

**Sunday 12 May, 8.45am meet**

All day visit to Suffolk Wildlife Trust's Lackford Lakes nature reserve, a wildlife oasis with a landscape of lakes, reeds, meadow and woodland.

**Venue:** All day visit with travel in shared cars, meet at Hempton (Grid ref: TF 914 292)

**Cost:** free

*Fakenham Local Group, Walk*

### **Frosts Common and Cranberry Rough**

**Sunday 12 May, 10am – 12noon**

Tim Holt Wilson will lead the walk to visit a late glacial environment and relict periglacial ponds as well as the site of the former Hockham Mere. Due to the nature of this walk please leave your dogs at home.

**Venue:** Meet in Great Hockham village on the green

**Cost:** free

**Booking essential:** 01953 717227

*Breckland Local Group, Walk, Level 2*

### **Beeston Common For Birds, Flowers & Insects**

**Sunday 12 May, 10.30am – 1pm**

A walk around Beeston Common, led by the Honorary Warden, Francis Farrow. Stout footwear essential.

**Venue:** Park in the lay-by south of the A149 between Sheringham and Beeston Regis, opposite the Priory Maze and Café. Grid ref: TG 166 425, nearest postcode NR26 8RX.

**Cost:** Free, donations to NWT conservation work.

*North Norfolk Local Group, Walk*

### **RSPB Strumpshaw Fen Walk**

**Saturday 18 May, 9.30am – 1pm**

A guided walk around RSPB Strumpshaw Fen led by Jerry Simpson.

**Venue:** Low Road, Strumpshaw, Norwich, NR13 4HS. (Grid ref: TG 341 065)

**Cost:** Entry charge £4.50 applies (RSPB members free).

**Booking essential:** [broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk)

*Broadland Local Group, Walk, Level 1*

### **Hoe Bird Walk, Hoe Common**

**Sunday 19 May, 8 – 11.30am**

Monthly walks to record and observe birds and wildlife. New members always welcomed.

**Venue:** Meet in the lane to Hoe Common at

**Grid ref:** TF 989 173. Walk can be joined from 9.15am, if preferred, from the same point.

**Cost:** Free

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 1, 3 Miles*

### **Bluebell Walk & Tea**

**Sunday 19 May, 1.30 – 5.30pm**

Guided Walk in the woods looking for wild flowers followed by afternoon tea in the village hall from 3pm.

**Venue:** Meet in Ashwellthorpe Lower Wood car park. NR16 1HB or Grid ref: TM 139 976.

**Cost:** £5

**Booking essential:** from Bob Carpenter on 01508 48337

*Wymondham Local Group, Walk, Level 1, 1.5 Miles*

### **Burnham Norton**

**Wednesday 22 May, 10am – 12 noon**

An early summer walk through grazing marsh and along the sea bank.

**Venue:** Meet in small village car park, Grid ref: TF 828 441

**Cost:** Free

*West Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 2, 2 Miles*

### **Butterflies of Norfolk**

**Thursday 23 May, 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Norfolk's butterflies are in a state of flux. Andy Brazil will show how some species have dramatically declined while others are expanding with the county recently regaining two species long absent. What does the future hold for this most iconic group of insects?

**Venue:** Hunstanton Methodist Church Hall, Austin Street, Hunstanton, PE36 6AL

**Cost:** £2.50 NWT members, £3 non-members, including refreshments

*West Norfolk Local Group, Talk*

## ***June***

### **NWT Syderstone Common**

**Wednesday 12 June, 10am – 12 noon**

An early summer walk through this acidic heathland with alkaline pools.

**Venue:** Meet in car park on Mill Lane / Tattersett Road, Grid ref: TF 835 315

**Cost:** Free

*West Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 2, 2 Miles*

### **Hoe Bird Walk, Hoe Common**

**Sunday 16 June, 8 – 11.30am**

Monthly walks to record and observe birds and wildlife. New members always welcomed.

**Venue:** Meet in the lane to Hoe Common at Grid ref: TF 989 173. Walk can be joined from 9.15am, if preferred, from the same point.

**Cost:** Free

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 1, 3 Miles*



### **Wheatfen Walk**

**Saturday 22 June, 2 – 5pm**

A guided walk around Wheatfen Nature Reserve with Warden Will Fitch. Refreshments provided.

**Venue:** Wheatfen Broad, The Covey, off The Green, Surlingham, Norwich, Norfolk NR14 7AL

**Cost:** £2 donation

**Booking essential:** preferably by email: [broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk) or tel: 01692 630674

*Broadland Local Group, Walk, Level 1*

### **Walk at Sparham Pools**

**Monday 24 June, 7 – 9pm**

An evening walk at the site of former gravel workings that have been flooded to form deep and shallow pools with islands.

**Venue:** Meet in the reserve car park, NR9 5QY (Grid ref: TG 075 178)

**Cost:** Free

*Fakenham Local Group, Walk, 2 Miles*

## ***July***

### **Breckland Wildlife of the Night – Evening Walk**

**Saturday 6 July, 8.30 – 10.30pm**

An evening walk over NWT East Wretham Nature Reserve, led by a member of the Brecks team, to discover nocturnal wildlife. Due to the nature of this walk please leave your dogs at home.

**Venue:** Meet at NWT East Wretham Nature Reserve car park on the A1075, IP24 1RU

**Cost:** £2 NWT members, £3 non members

**Booking essential:** 01953 717227

*Breckland Local Group, Walk, Level 2*

### **Dragonfly Walk**

**Wednesday 10 July, 10am – 1pm**

Morning Walk with Dr Pam Taylor, to look for a broad range of dragonfly species, including Norfolk hawker and variable damselfly.

**Venue:** NWT Upton Fen car park, Grid ref: TG 379 136, NR13 6EQ (Low Road). From Acle, Norwich or Wroxham head towards South Walsham, then follow signs for Pilson Green.

**Cost:** Free, donations welcome

**Booking essential:** preferably by email: [pamtaylor@british-dragonflies.org.uk](mailto:pamtaylor@british-dragonflies.org.uk) or 01692 670311

*Broadland Local Group & British Dragonfly Society, Walk, Level 1, 1–2 Miles*

### **Fakenham Local Group AGM**

**Monday 15 July, 7.30pm**

AGM of the Fakenham Local Group of NWT. Contact the group for details (see page 3).

**Venue:** Hempton Music Room

**Cost:** Free

*Fakenham Local Group, Talk*

### **Dersingham Bog NNR**

**Tuesday 16 July, 8.30 – 9.30pm**

An evening walk around this Natural England reserve to search for nightjar. Insect repellent advisable. Torch could be useful.

**Venue:** Meet in West Roadside car park, Grid ref: TF 663 284

**Cost:** Free

*West Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 2, 2 Miles*

### **Butterfly Walk**

**Saturday 20 July, 10am – 1pm**

Guided walk from Horsey gap to see dark green fritillaries and other species of butterfly, led by Jerry Simpson and Andy Beaumont.

**Venue:** Meet at Horsey gap car park, NR29 4EF, Grid ref: TG 465 242

**Cost:** Event is free, donations welcome. Parking fee applies.

**Booking essential:** Preferably by email: [broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk](mailto:broadland@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk) or 01692 630674

*Broadland Local Group, Walk, Level 1, 3 Miles*

### **Hoe Bird Walk, Hoe Common**

**Sunday 21 July, 8 – 11.30am**

Monthly walks to record and observe birds and wildlife. New members always welcomed.

**Venue:** Meet in the lane to Hoe Common at Grid ref: TF 989 173. Walk can be joined from 9.15am, if preferred, from the same point.

**Cost:** Free

*Mid Norfolk Local Group, Walk, Level 1, 3 Miles*