Bracknell Forest Natural History Society talks



Venue: South Hill Park. Talks start at 7:30pm and end at about 9:30pm (Doors open from 7:15pm) Entrance fee for members £1; visitors £3; under 16 free (annual membership £12). No booking required.

2018

- Nov 19 Magnificent Nepal by Chris Chadwell
- Dec 10 Birds in Winter by Brian Clews

2019

- Jan 21 How to be an Urban Birder by David Lindo
- Feb 18On the Trail of Polecats and PineMartens by Lizzie Croose
- Mar 18 Saving the Hazel Dormouse by Ian White
- Apr 15 Urban Ecology by Professor Mark Fellowes
- May 20 The Return of Large Carnivores by Dr Adriana Consorte-McCrea
- June 17 The Life of a Glow-Worm by John Tyler

Contacts

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Should you require a copy of this leaflet in large print, please ask at the Look Out reception or call 01344 352000.

Making Strides - Volunteer Led Walks

Walks start at 10:30am unless otherwise stated. No booking or payment required.

For more information visit https://bracknell-forest. gov.uk/parks-and-countryside/events



Leisurely (L) – up to 2 miles (1 hour) Moderate (M) – up to 4 miles (1³/₄ hours) Rambler (R) – up to 5 ½ miles (2¹/₄ hours)

19 March - Around Cabbage Hill (R) Meet: at Jock Lane car park, Binfield Road, RG12 2BH

16 April - Lakes & Ridges - (M)

A shorter family friendly walk **Meet:** at Horseshoe Lake car park, Mill Lane, Sandhurst, GU47 8JW

You might also like...

Every Friday, 9:30am – 10:30am Over 50s Nordic Walking, Swinley Forest

A qualified, instructor led, over 50s super fun & friendly Nordic Walking group. Contact: 07961 356207 or email: ruthaaron24@ googlemail.com.

Meet: 9:20am at The Look Out car park, Nine Mile Ride, Bracknell RG12 7QW. **Booking Essential. Cost:** £4 per session. Car

parking charges apply.



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Parks and countryside events programme



November 2018 – April 2019 www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/parks-and-countryside/events

Event Booking and advice

For all events, particularly those taking place outdoors, please wear suitable clothing and footwear.

Events may be filmed and/or photographed please specify to the photographer if you do not wish to be included in this.

Please pre-book all events where stated by booking spaces online.

All children under 16 attending our events must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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20 November – Around Broadmoor (R) Meet: Wildmoor Heath Car Park, Crowthorne Road GU47 8PD

18 December – The Mince Pie Trail (R)
A longer walk with refreshments and a festive mince pie afterwards
Meet: Frost Folly car park, Weller's Lane,
Warfield, Bracknell RG42 6EN

15 January - Binfield & Billingbear – (M/R) Meet: Jack O'Newbury pub, Terrace Road North, Binfield, Bracknell RG42 5HX

19 February - Swinley Park - (R) Meet: at Englemere Pond Car Park, Off Swinley Road (B3017) Ascot SL5 8BA Four week beginner courses also available at \pounds 32 every few months. The beginners courses are 11am to 12 noon. **Booking essential.**

The Thames Basin Heaths Partnership hold events including walks and outdoor activities throughout the year. Visit their website for further information http://www.tbhpartnership.org.uk/

Information about walking, cycling, orienteering, fishing and horse riding opportunities in the borough is also available on our website www. bracknell-forest.gov.uk/parks-and-countryside/ outdoor-activities



Booking and pre-payment is required (BR) for all our events unless otherwise stated. Please book via https://bracknell-forest.gov. uk/parks-and-countryside/events

NOVEMBER

Celebrating Self Care week (12-18 November)

Pope's and Amen Corner wander (BR)

Wednesday 14, 11.00am-12.15pm Ranger led countryside walk of up to up to 2 miles (1 hour). Light refreshments provided. Meet: Pope's Meadow car park, St Mark's Rd, Binfield, Bracknell RG42 4BA. Cost: free

20 November – Volunteer walk around **Broadmoor**

See our volunteer led countryside walks for further detail.



DECEMBER

Heathland Magic at Wildmoor Heath (BR)

Saturday 15, 10.30am-1.30pm Try your hand at harvesting birch trees to help conserve this precious site. Enjoy a bonfire, marshmallows and possibly take home your own Christmas tree. Tools & refreshments provided. Please bring work gloves. Suitable for all. Meet: Wildmoor Heath car park, Crowthorne Road, RG45 7PP. Cost: Free.



Christmas Treasure Hunts (BR)

Solve a series of festive clues to win a chocolate* prize! Morning or afternoon events available (10am-11.30am or 1pm-**2.30pm)**. Early booking recommended to avoid disappointment. Cost: £4.14 per child.

Saturday, 15 December at South Hill Park Meet: Gazebo on rear field at South Hill Park, Ringmead, Bracknell, RG12 7PA.

Sunday, 16 December at Lily Hill Park Meet: Giant Picnic Table, Lily Hill Park, off Lily Hill Road, Bracknell, RG12 2RX.

JANUARY

Heathland Management at Wildmoor Heath (BR)

Sunday 6, 10am-1.30pm Kick start your new year by helping the rangers conserve this precious site. We will be clearing birch and pine trees from the heath and enjoying a bonfire in a wonderful setting. Tools, training & refreshments provided, please bring a pack lunch and work gloves. Meet: Wildmoor Heath car park, Crowthorne Road, RG45 7PP. Cost: Free.

Traditional Orchard Wassail at Lily Hill Park (BR)

Saturday 12, 5.30pm-7pm Wassailing is an old English custom to celebrate and protect fruit trees and ensure a good harvest. Come and enjoy a simple revival of this seasonal tradition, by firelight and accompanied by lively music and dancing by the OBJ Morris Dancers. Suitable for all. Bring cider* or apple juice. Cost: £4.14. Meet: North car park, off Lily Hill Road, Bracknell, RG12 2RX. *Please drink responsibly.

Community litter pick at South Hill 43 Park

Wednesday 23, 2pm-3pm Meet: Courtyard in front of South Hill Park reception, Ringmead, Bracknell, RG12 7PA. No booking required.

FEBRUARY



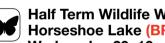
Orchard Pruning at Lily Hill Park (BR) Thursday 7, 10am-12 noon

Help prune Lily Hill Park's Community Orchard and learn how to care for your fruit trees. Meet: North car park, off Lily Hill Road, Bracknell, RG12 2RX. Cost: free



Nature Quest at South Hill Park (BR) Tuesday 19, 10am-12noon

Young Explorers are invited to join us in a nature related scavenger hunt throughout the grounds of South Hill Park. Meet: Gazebo on rear field at South Hill Park, Ringmead, Bracknell, RG12 7PA. Cost: £4.14.



Half Term Wildlife Workshop at Horseshoe Lake (BR) Wednesday 20, 10am-12 noon

Learn a range of outdoor skills including how to build, light and load a bonfire. Learn the safe way to cut down small trees and find out why this helps wildlife. Discover the best way to roast marshmallows on an open fire. Tools & refreshments provided. Please bring gloves, outdoor clothing and wellies! Best suited for 7yrs+. Cost: £4.14. Meet: Horseshoe Lake car park, Mill Lane, Sandhurst, GU47 8JW.



APRIL

Easter Treasure Hunts (BR)

Solve a series of festive clues to win a chocolate* prize! Morning or afternoon events available (10am-11.30am or 1pm-2.30pm). Early booking recommended to avoid disappointment. Cost: £4.14 per child.

Tuesday, 9 April at South Hill Park

Meet: Gazebo on rear field at South Hill Park, Ringmead, Bracknell, RG12 7PA.

Thursday, 11 April at Lily Hill Park

Meet: Giant Picnic Table, Lily Hill Park, off Lily Hill Road, Bracknell, RG12 2RX.

*A non-dairy prize option is available



The Big Tree Climb at Westmorland Park

Saturday 13, 1 hour slots between 10am - 3:45pm.

Fun for 6 year olds and over. Climb up into the tree canopy and take in amazing views. Meet: At Oak tree in Westmorland Park, off Westmorland Drive, Warfield, RG42 3QP. Cost: £20 per climber. Places can be booked at: http://www.bigtreeclimbing. co.uk/contact-us/

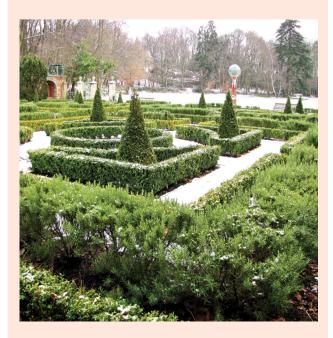


NEW for 2019! Tree Climbing Birthday Parties (BR)

Celebrate a birthday with friends in the tree tops of Bracknell Forest! Tailor made parties run by The Big Tree Climbing Company that will ensure your child and their friends have a safe, amazing time and a party to remember. Available to children aged 6 or over, including those with special needs and disabilities. Hall hire may also be available at specific locations. The minimum number for a party is 8. Please email info@bigtreeclimbing.co.uk to see our availability.

Conservation volunteering is a practical way for you to protect the environment you care about. Contact us via our online form to find out how you can get involved in activities such as heathland conservation, hedge laying, tree planting, building stag beetle loggeries etc. https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/parksand-countryside/countryside-conservation

A non-dairy prize option is available



MARCH



Community litter pick at Lily Hill Park Thursday 21, 2pm-3pm

Meet: North car park, off Lily Hill Road, Bracknell, RG12 2RX. No booking required.

We're also looking for volunteers to work with us and the Bracknell Forest Local Countryside Access Forum to help improve access to the countryside.

Typical activities may include building gates, repairing bridges and stiles, developing new recreation routes and using social media to promote walking, cycling and horse riding opportunities.

Please contact our rights of way team if you're interested in getting involved RightsOfWay@ Bracknell-Forest.gov.uk