

Discover Your Living Landscape Bure Valley

Free Wildlife Events

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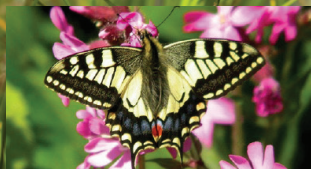


Saving **Norfolk's Wildlife** for the Future

Bure Valley Living Landscape



Marsh Harrier by Brian Macfarlane



Swallowtail by Craig Shaw

Start Exploring Today...

Welcome to the 2014 Bure Valley Living Landscape event programme. The walks, talks, workshops and practical sessions in this leaflet have been specially designed to help you:

Discover the living landscape vision and how you can be a part of it.

Explore the living landscape and learn about what makes it such a special area.

Take action in the living landscape through helping us to carry out important practical conservation work.

To learn more about the Bure Valley Living Landscape visit Norfolk Wildlife Trust's new website **www.mylivinglandscape.org.uk** and click on the 'Bure' button.

If you have any questions about the Bure Valley Living Landscape or the events please contact Norfolk Wildlife Trust's Wildlife Information Service on **01603 598333** or **wild@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk**.

Your Living Landscape...

Be part of it...

Our vision for Norfolk is to bring back a wildlife-rich landscape where both people and wildlife benefit from green spaces in town and countryside.

We hope these events will inspire you to learn about and explore the amazing Bure Valley Living Landscape.

Stay Informed...

Delivering Living Landscape Newsletter

These events are part of a community project called Delivering Living Landscapes that is working in the Bure Valley and Gaywood Valley Living Landscape areas.

To keep up-to-date with the project sign up to our monthly e-newsletter by emailing **wild@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk**

MAY

Go Wild at NWT Barton Broad

Sunday 11 May, 11am-4pm

A fun packed family day of walks, boat trips, craft activities, pond dipping and much more. Refreshments available.

Venue: Barton Turf Adventure Centre, Staithe Road, Barton Turf, NR12 8AZ

Free entry! No need to book (small charge for some activities e.g. boat trips and worm charming)

Stepping Out to St Benet's Abbey

Saturday 17 May, 10am-1pm

Find out about medieval life with St Benet's Abbey trained guides on a walk between Ludham bridge and the Abbey. Hear how the monks changed the Broad's landscape. Includes a tour of the Abbey. Walk may be cancelled in bad weather.

Distance: 3 miles

Meet: Ludham Bridge lay-by, near public conveniences, NR29 5NX (TG 373 171)

Free! No need to book

Wildlife of Hoveton Great Broad

Sunday 18 May, 10.30am-1pm

This walk starts with an introduction from the Salhouse Broad warden, then takes a short boat trip to the hidden wildlife haven Hoveton Great Broad, where we meet a Natural England warden for a tour of the site.

Meet: Salhouse Broad (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

The Early Bird...

Monday 19 May, 6-8am

Rise with the lark and join the RSPB warden for a tour of the magical, wildlife-rich reserve that is Sutton Fen.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: Sutton Fen (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Once Bittern...

Monday 19 May, 4.30-8.30pm

Discover the folklore surrounding Broadland's wildlife. After, picnic by the Bure then head for a tour of Woodforde's Brewery and a taste of NWT's ale 'Once Bittern'.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: NWT Cockshoot Broad (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

For One Day Only...

Tuesday 20 May, 10am-12.30pm

Woodbastwick Marshes, managed by Natural England, is wildlife-rich fen habitat. Join Rick Southwood as he introduces some of the site's wildlife gems and how it's managed.

Distance: 1.5 miles

Meet: Woodbastwick (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

In Search of Dragons

Wednesday 21 May, 10am-12noon

This walk aims to introduce the amazing world of beautiful and majestic dragonflies.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: NWT Upton Broad and Marshes (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Wildflowers of Broadland

Thursday 22 May, 10am-12noon

Discover the many weird and wonderful plants that can be found in the different habitats of Broadland.

Distance: 3 miles

Meet: Neatishead (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

A Wild Walk around Fleggburgh

Friday 23 May, 10am-12noon

Join Trinity Broad's Warden, Eilish Rothney, on a walk to discover some of the wildlife and habitats of this diverse area.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: Fleggburgh Village Hall car park, Main Road, Fleggburgh, Norfolk, NR29 3AG

Free! No need to book

Nutmegs and Noctules

Friday 23 May, 8-11pm

With bat detectors in hand we take a gentle stroll in search of NWT Upton Broad's wildlife. After the walk we head to the White Horse Pub where we set up a moth trap to see what we can find. Don't fancy the walk, but would like to have a go at moth trapping? Join us at the pub at 9.30pm.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: White Horse Pub, 17 Chapel Road, Upton, Norwich, NR13 6BT

Free! No need to book

Minibeast Explorer

Saturday 24 May, 10-11.30am

Drop in between 10 and 11.30am and join Andy Brazil from Butterfly Conservation as he goes in search of minibeasts.

Meet: The Sandholes, The Street, Catfield (TG 386 217)

Free! No need to book

Bats and Boats

Saturday 24 May, 8.30-10.30pm

As the sun sets go in search of nocturnal wildlife. The evening will be split between a magical walk on our reserve and a boat trip on the broad.

Distance: 1.5 miles

Meet: NWT Ranworth Broad (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

A WildWalk to How Hill

Sunday 25 May, 1-5pm

This walk takes you through the Ant valley which forms part of the Bure Valley Living Landscape. Breath-taking views, mills, and afternoon tea at How Hill.

Distance: 6 miles

Meet: Ludham (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333



Barn Owl by David Kilbey

JUNE

Introduction to Wildflowers

Wednesday 11 June, 1-5pm

This workshop will show you the basics to identifying the species associated with the Bure Valley. We will look at why this area is so important for wildflowers and how you can help by submitting your wildlife records.

Meet: Upton (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Managing Village Green Spaces for Wildlife

Tuesday 17 June, 10am-1pm

Village greens, grass verges and community spaces are often overlooked as potential wildlife-rich sites within a community, but given the right care and attention they too can become an important habitat. In this workshop we will look at how you can turn the humble village green, grass verge or recreation ground into a people and wildlife-friendly area.

Meet: Barton Turf (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333



In Search of Broadland Butterflies (and other wildlife)

Thursday 19 June, 10am-12.30pm

This beautiful walk takes in a range of habitats from river bank to green lanes, woodland to marshes.

Distance: 3 miles

Meet: Toad Hole Cottage, How Hill, Ludham, NR29 5PG

Free! No need to book

How to Create a Living Landscape

Friday 20 June, 7.30-9pm

This talk will explore ways you can turn your land - small or large, garden or farm, village green or school ground - into part of a healthy ecological network in a thriving Living Landscape.

Meet: Upton Village Hall, Cargate Lane, Upton, NR13 6AU

Free! No need to book

Walking with Wildlife in Mind

Saturday 28 June, 9am-1pm

If you enjoy walking and love watching wildlife then why not take part in The Wildlife Trust's new WildWalks? This workshop introduces the basics of recording wildlife, shows how the WildWalk website works and take a WildWalk.

Distance: 4 miles

Meet: Upton (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

JULY

Discovering the Wildlife Where you Live

Wednesday 2 July, 6-10pm

This workshop explores how to identify a variety of different species, how to record wildlife and how you can help the plants and animals that call our villages and towns home.

Meet: Acle (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Dragonfly Walk

Saturday 5 July, 10am-12.30pm

Morning walk with Dr Pam Taylor, Dragonfly Recorder, to look for a broad range of dragonfly species, including Norfolk hawkers and variable damselfly.

Meet: NWT Upton Broad and Marshes, Low Road, Upton, Norfolk, NR13 6EQ

Free! Booking essential: pamtaylor@british-dragonflies.org.uk or Jerry Simpson on 01692 630674

Task Taster: Meadow Management

Monday 14 July, 10am-12.30pm & 1-3pm

Join our Trinity Broad Warden at this beautiful site and try your hand at some meadow management.

Meet: Trinity Broad. Meet at 10am or 1pm - Filby Bridge car park, on main A1064 road

Free! No need to book. For details about the task call: 01603 598333

A Wild Walk in Neatishead

Thursday 17 July, 10am-12.30pm

Take a gentle stroll with us around some beautiful broadland countryside as we record the wildlife we see on this WildWalk.

Distance: 3 miles

Meet: Barton Broad Boardwalk car park, Long Road, Barton Turf, NR12 8XP. To find car park head to Neatishead and follow brown signs

Free! No need to book

Task Taster: Fen Management

Monday 21 July, 1-4pm

Join our Community Officer at this beautiful site and try your hand at some fen management.

Meet: Barton Turf Adventure Centre, Staithe Road, Barton Turf, NR12 8AZ

Free! No need to book. For details about the task call: 01603 598333



Invasive Species of the Bure Valley and What To Do About Them!

Thursday 24 July, 7-9pm

Invasive species can have a devastating impact on our countryside. This talk by Mike Sutton-Croft, co-ordinator of the Norfolk Non-native Species Initiative, shows how to recognise and manage some of the invasive species impacting on Bure valley.

Meet: Upton (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333



Hedgehog by David Kilbey

Discovering Butterflies and Bees

Friday 25 July, 9.30am-1.30pm

This workshop will show you the basics to identifying the species associated with the Bure Valley Living Landscape. We look at why this area is so important for these insects and what can be done to protect them.

Meet: How Hill (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Dragonflies and Damselflies

Sunday 27 July, 10am-4pm

This workshop will show you the basics of identifying the species associated with the Bure Valley. We look at why this area is so important for this group of insects.

Meet: Upton (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

AUGUST

Gardening with Broadland Wildlife in Mind

Tuesday 5 August, 1-5pm

Gardens have an important role to play in helping to create a living landscape for both people and wildlife. Discover how you can maximise your gardens potential.

Meet: South Walsham (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Task Taster: Scrub Management

Thursday 7 August, 1-4pm

Join our Community Officer at this beautiful site and try your hand at some scrub management.

Meet: NWT Upton Broad and Marshes. Upton Village Hall, Cargate Lane, Upton, NR13 6AU

Free! No need to book. For details about the task call: 01603 598333

Wildflower Meander

Thursday 28 August, 10am-12noon

Broads, dykes, wet woodlands and reedbeds are home to some very special plants some of which we will show you on this gentle stroll from Malthouse staithe to Ranworth Broad.

Distance: 2 miles

Meet: Malthouse Staithe, Ranworth, NR13 6HY

Free! No need to book

SEPTEMBER

Introduction to Churchyard Wildlife

Friday 12 September, 6.30-9.30pm

This workshop will introduce some of the habitats and wildlife associated with churchyards and look at how they can be managed in a sensitive manner for both people and wildlife.

Meet: Ludham (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333



A WildWalk in Upton

Thursday 25 September, 9am -1pm

Help us record the wildlife we find on this WildWalk as we go through beautiful and wild freshwater marshes, past alder carr, reedbeds and along the river Bure.

Distance: 5 miles

Meet: Upton Staithe Car Park, Boat Dyke Road, Norfolk NR13 6BL

Free! No need to book

Task Taster: Reedbed Management

Monday 29 September, 10am-12.30pm & 1-3pm

Join our Trinity Broad Warden at this beautiful site for some reedbed management.

Meet: Filby Bridge car park, on main A1064 road (near Acle)

Free! No need to book. For details about the task call: 01603 598333

OCTOBER

Getting to Grips with Planning and Wildlife

Thursday 2 October, 730-9pm

This talk by NWT's Senior Conservation Officer, John Hiskett, will explain the various planning designations and laws that are used to protect wildlife and the context in which they are used.

Meet: Upton Village Hall, Cargate Lane, Upton, Norfolk NR13 6AU

Free! No need to book

Weaving Along the Way

Thursday 16 October, 10am-1pm

With the river Bure on our right we step back in time as we stroll past drainage mills, a medieval church and follow the Weaver's Way.

Distance: 3.5 miles

Meet: Thurne village, opposite the Lion Inn, NR29 3AP

Free! No need to book

Managing Village Ponds for Wildlife

Saturday 25 October, 1-5pm

This workshop has been designed to show you some of the wildlife associated with a wildlife-rich pond, plus how to create and manage ponds for wildlife.

Meet: South Walsham (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

Introduction to Hedgerows in the Bure Valley

Sunday 26 October, 1-5pm

Discover the important role hedgerows play in the Bure Valley Living Landscape. Learn how to manage an existing hedge, survey a hedgerow and plant a new one.

Meet: Acle (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333

NOVEMBER

In Step with the Bure

Thursday 20 November, 10am-1pm

From Acle we follow the river Bure through to Upton and Fishley, taking in the landscape, history and wildlife as we go.

Distance: 4.5 miles

Meet: Public car park, Bridewell Lane, Acle, NR13 3RA

Free! No need to book

Getting to Know the Trees of the Bure Valley

Sunday 23 November, 1-5pm

This introductory workshop aims to show you the basics to identifying trees, ecology of woodlands, how to record trees, what to plant, when to plant and how to manage existing trees and woodlands.

Meet: Ranworth (exact location given on booking)

Free! Booking essential: 01603 598333





Take Action Today!

Norfolk Wildlife Trust would like to give you the chance to improve your local area by taking part in practical conservation activities and learning more about your local environment.

Activities may include hedge planting, woodland management, identifying wildlife, pond improvements, habitat restoration and guided walks.

You'll explore some beautiful green spaces and discover some unexpected plants and animals. It is your chance to meet new people, improve your health, learn new skills and help to make a joined up living landscape where wildlife can thrive.

Who can take part?

Anyone! Practical tasks are open to people, aged 16 and over, whilst other activities are available for all ages.

You don't need to make a regular commitment, or to be physically fit.

Some sessions focus on learning more about wildlife whilst others include a range of physical tasks.

No experience is necessary, we will train you and provide all the tools and equipment.

Find out more:

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