

Bracknell Forest Natural History Society



Programme 2018 – 2019 **See over for how to join!**

- September 17th 2018** **The Ancient Woods of Bisham, near Marlow** – *discover the diverse flora and fauna of this 500-year-old site, with The Woodland Trust's Frances Halstead*
- October 15^h** **Britain's Hidden Depths – Corals and Sponges** – *and why they need our protection. By The Marine Biological Association's Josh Davison*
- November 4th** **Autumnal Guided Walk in Burnham Beaches** *with a Ranger (£3 donation)*
- November 19th** **Magnificent Nepal** *by botanist and Himalayan specialist Chris Chadwell*
- December 10th** **Birds in Winter** – *the ever-popular Brian Clews looks at strategies for the survival of our resident and visiting species, and how we can help them*
- January 21st 2019** **How to be an Urban Birder** – *get entertaining inspiration from writer and TV personality David Lindo, on 'twitching' in our urban environment.*
Members' Guests and Visitors' Entrance Fee **£5**
- February 10th** **Birdwatching Trip** – *to the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust near Arundel*
- February 18th** **On the Trail of Polecats and Pine Martens** *by Lizzie Croose from the Vincent Wildlife Trust*
- March 18th** **Saving the Hazel Dormouse** *by Ian White from the People's Trust for Endangered Species*
- April 7th** **Trip to the Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition** *at the Natural History Museum, London*
- April 15th** **Urban Ecology** – *how our interaction with wildlife influences ecosystems, and how to encourage urban biodiversity, by Professor Mark Fellowes from Reading University*
- May 20th** **The Return of the Large Carnivores** *by Dr. Adriana Consote-McCrea, conservation biologist at Canterbury Christ Church University*
- June 17th** **The Life of the Glow-Worm** – *by naturalist and glow-worm expert John Tyler*
- June 22nd** **Night-Time Glow-Worm Walk at Brush Hill, Princes Risborough** – *led by John Tyler (Cost £5)*
- July 14th** **Trip to the British Wildlife Centre, Lingfield** – *see red squirrels, pine martens, foxes, wildcats, badgers and more, with keeper talks every half hour*

These illustrated talks are on a Monday of each month (September to June)
7:30pm in the Recital Room, South Hill Park, Ringmead, Bracknell RG12 7PA



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP £12 - Members' entrance fee £1

Visitors are very welcome – **VISITORS' ENTRANCE FEE £3 unless otherwise stated**

SEE OVER FOR HOW TO JOIN THE SOCIETY

See our website www.bfnathistsoc.org.uk or telephone 01344 423440

JOIN NOW!

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The Society is for everyone interested in natural history and its conservation – both locally, and worldwide. We run a **programme of evening meetings** (see *overleaf*), at which guest speakers give illustrated talks on a wide variety of natural history topics - both local and worldwide.

- We also arrange **outings and field trips**.
- We participate in **ecological projects with other conservation groups** which include woodland, heathland and wetland management.
- **Bracknell Forest Veteran Tree Recording Group** is part of the Society.
- BFNHS also works closely with the **Parks and Countryside Service** of the Local Authority running public events, surveys, wild plant cultivation, etc.

Our Meetings are mostly held on the **third Monday of each month** (September to June). We meet in the **Recital Room** at **South Hill Park**, which is on the first floor of the main house. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. - Meetings start at 7.30 p.m. and end at approximately 9.30 pm.

Walks, visits, field trips, surveys... There are always opportunities throughout the year for Members to get out and about - to see, survey or work voluntarily with wildlife... in a variety of habitats.

Visit our website for up-to-date information on what is coming up
www.bfnathistsoc.org.uk and if you have a suggestion for a talk or visit, or for any other ideas or queries please contact **Gill Cheetham** on **01344 423440**, or email bfathistsoc@rocketmail.com

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

When completed, please cut out this form (or photocopy it) and **bring it to one of our Monthly Meetings, with payment of £12**. Alternatively, **post it with a cheque** made out to *Bracknell Forest Natural History Society* to: BFNHS Membership, 10 Shaftesbury Close, Bracknell, RG12 9PX.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Signed _____ Date _____

If you wish to **pay your subscription electronically**, or to set up an **annual Standing Order**, our Lloyds Bank details are: **Account Number: 03481989 Sort Code: 30-91-11**
When paying by this method, please make sure you also contact our Membership Secretary at bfhsmembership@gmx.co.uk with your name, address, telephone number and **email address to identify your payment and so that we have a complete record of your details.**