LONDON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

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LONDON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY (LNHS)

is a Registered Charity.

The London Natural History Society is a long established conservation and wildlife recording charity run entirely by volunteers. Getting involved in the LNHS is a great way to make a difference, meet new people, learn new skills and learn about the wildlife and natural history of London. There are many ways to get involved: there are roles on different committees, or you can contribute articles to the LNHS publications and website.

The following specific role is vacant, and we welcome applications.

This is a VOLUNTARY POSITION
as are all other positions in the LNHS

LONDON BIRD REPORT - PROOF-READERS

The deadline for applications for proof-reading of the next LBR 2025 is 1st March 2027

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LONDON BIRD REPORT - PROOF-READERS

A SEASONAL POSITION IN THE LNHS

MARCH 2027

The LNHS flagship journal, the London Bird Report, needs your help! You wil be credited on the inside front cover.

We are recruiting Proof-readers for the next issue, due to be published by May 2027. The approximate timeframe for that issue is from early-March to early April 2027. Dates may vary for later issues. We would like to hear from people with a good knowledge of birds - particularly those occurring in the London Area - and who have experience in proof-reading academic texts.

Proof-readers - job description

LONDON BIRD REPORT
INFORMATION FOR VOLUNTEERS

The London Bird Report (LBR) is an outstanding example of an annual, ornithological publication that has been published since 1937. It is currently a handsome 250+ page publication and counts amongst its editorial team some of the best known names in London and the home counties as well as people who are personalities on the wider British scene. The authoritative publication brings together the efforts of professional ornithologists and casual bird watchers to produce an annual distillation of bird records in the recording area of the London Natural History Society (a 20-mile radius of St Pauls Cathedral).

The core of the LBR is the systematic accounts compiled by a team of volunteers who carve up the accounts between them using records submitted by hundreds of observers. In addition, in the LBR there are a number of papers, including Ringing Reports, reports of surveys, site specific accounts and a mix of other popular and scientific papers. The LBR is elegantly designed to show tables and graphical data to best effect and is a full colour publication with use of photographs and illustrations.

Many people volunteer to take on a range of tasks from copy editing and the compilation of species accounts to reviewing scientific papers which have been received. The work is overseen by a strong editorial team. If you'd like more information, please contact the LBR editorial board: edlondbirdrep@lnhs.org.uk

Information for volunteers

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LNHS - OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Please see this page on the LNHS website for other volunteering opportunities with the LNHS.

RECENTLY FILLED VACANCIES:

PUBLICATIONS SALES SECRETARY

LBR - PHOTOGRAPHIC EDITOR

LNHS TREASURER

LBR - ASSISTANT DATA MANAGER

LBR - GRAPHICS EDITOR OF REVIEW OF THE YEAR

LBC BUCKS BIRD RECORDER

LBR - ONE PROOF-READER: MORE REQUIRED

Thank you to all our volunteers,
without whom the LNHS could not continue to function!

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ABOUT THE LONDON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

FOUNDED 1858

The London Natural History Society (or LNHS as it is commonly known) is a local natural history society within the UK concerned with recording the wildlife of London within a circular area of 20-miles radius from St. Paul's Cathedral. The Society's aims are to foster the appreciation and study of London's wildlife and natural environment, and to assist in the conservation of wildlife in the London area by helping to record London's wildlife.

The LNHS consists of a number of active sections. This results in a highly varied programme of talks, organised nature walks and other activities. The variety and number of events for members make the LNHS one of the most active nature societies in the world which is run entirely by volunteers. Whether it is purely for recreation, or to develop field skills for a career in conservation, the LNHS offers a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities. Beginners are welcome at every event and gain access to the knowledge of some very skilled naturalists.

On top of its varied public engagement, the LNHS also has a raft of publications free to members. The London Naturalist is its annual journal, with scientific papers as well as lighter material such a book reviews. The annual London Bird Report is an important compilation of bird records during a year. Furthermore, there is a quarterly newsletter, which carries many field trip reports and useful announcements, and a six-monthly illustrated Programme of events and information.

The LNHS maintains it annual membership at a modest level, representing fantastic value for money.

FIND OUT MORE

Website: www.lnhs.org.uk

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Instagram: London Natural History Society @thelondonnaturalhistorysociety
Facebook: London Natural History Society Forum and London Natural History Society page
YouTube: London Natural History Society channel
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCx8DQybWBQYxbEdLNA3kfCg

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