



LONDON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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MARCH – AUGUST 2026



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Hampstead Heath Survey Section walks

Due to high demand we are asking people to register to attend some of the Hampstead Heath Survey Section walks by simply e-mailing hampsteadbookings@lnhs.org.uk, (with the date and subject of the walk you wish to join in the title of your e-mail). Those without access to e-mail are still welcome to turn up but the new registration system will allow us to cap group numbers and communicate any last-minute changes directly.

The LNHS Library

The LNHS library is a rich resource for naturalists with an extensive collection of books, journals, and other publications on British natural history. It is housed in the Angela Marmont Centre for UK Biodiversity at the Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road and there is a Society Librarian. The catalogue is available on the Society's website. We are keen to see more members using this wonderful library so please do make time to visit. We hope to hold more events here so keep an eye on the website calendar for updates.

The library is accessible anytime the Angela Marmont Centre is open and the LNHS Librarian Team are onsite every Wednesday from 10:00 to 15:00 and every third Saturday of the month 13:00-15:00. You can get a librarian to help at other times by arrangement, email library@lnhs.org.uk.

The LNHS bookclub is up and running. Natural History book titles and future meeting dates are decided at each meeting by participants and then posted on the LNHS website Activity Calendar. Meetings will be approximately every two months, from 10:30–12:00 on a Wednesday, at the LNHS library. **New members always welcome.**

Invertebrate Study Days

Join LNHS at the Natural History Museum to make use of access to microscopes, lab equipment and literature to prepare invertebrate specimens and identify them alongside other like-minded individuals. Recorders of all abilities are welcome, but due to high demand and limited spaces, booking is required via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Bookham Commons Survey

We'd love to see more visits and recording taking place in 2026 to develop this long-running survey. The group meets at Bookham train station at 10.45 am on the second Saturday of every month. The 9.53 am from London Waterloo via Clapham Junction arrives just before this. (Bookham is a little way outside Zone 6 so you will need an extension ticket.) Car parking is also available nearby. From the station platform, the group can walk straight onto the site, which includes oak woodland, scrub grassland, a stream and nine ponds and has lots to interest naturalists.

You can explore the site on a walk with the group, and the focus can vary depending on the interests of members. Everyone is welcome. We suggest you bring binoculars and ID guides, etc and encourage you to record your finds. Of course, you are also welcome to explore independently if you prefer. Later in the year, we may be able to organise some field study days led by an expert in a particular group. We'll add details to the website calendar. Do get in touch via the Secretary or the President if you'd like to volunteer as a leader.

We can use the LNHS hut at lunchtime. There are facilities here for making tea and coffee as well as a toilet. (At present there is also a café at the station serving drinks and pastries. There are no other shops though.) There is more about the site on the LNHS website <https://lnhs.org.uk/index.php/sections/bookham-common-survey> including a map and a list of relevant articles in the London Naturalist.

Weather & Clothing

Weather conditions can vary (sometimes suddenly) from extreme cold to extreme heat. Rain can result in muddy and flooded footpaths. Please ensure you have appropriate clothing (plus food and water).

Sun 1 Mar 2026 10:00–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Richmond Park – Duranka Perera

Residual winter grassland visitors (redwings, fieldfares, stonechats, skylarks), winter waterfowl, woodpeckers, possibly little and tawny owls. Meet at Richmond Station. 15-20 walk to Cambrian or Main Gates. Cafe/toilets 15 mins from main gate.

Sat 7 Mar 2026 10:00–13:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Paradise Fields - Ealing Beaver Project – Şeniz Mustafa and Elliot Newton

Kingfisher, warblers, woodpeckers and learn about the beaver reintroduction project. Meeting Point: Westway Cross Shopping Park, Greenford Rd, Greenford UB6 0UW. Reserve 10 min walk from Greenford Station (Central Line) or GWR. Entrance is at an underpass opposite Mc Donalds marked by green double gates which says “The Ealing Beaver Project”. The Instagram video link below shows how to get there from Greenford station: https://www.instagram.com/reel/DSSI4tlCOu_/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRIODBINWFIZA==. What3Words location: wacky.vibes.spider. Local Buses E6, 92, 105, 395, N31. Toilets at Station and Mc Donalds

Sun 8 Mar 2026 10:00–13:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Brent Reservoir – Andrew Peel

Wildfowl, late winter visitors (Bullfinch possible) and early summer migrants. Meet at Cool Oak Lane Bridge (TQ219 877). Nearest station, Hendon (NR St. Pancras). No toilets.

Thu 12 Mar 2026 19:00–20:00 Virtual Talk
Virtual Talks: Online– Richard Kulczycki
Britain's Best Known Plant Extinction: Summer's Lady's-tresses (*Spiranthes aestivalis*) book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/london-natural-history-society-30790245484>

Sat 14 Mar 2026 11:00–15:00 Field Meeting
Botany: Cubitt Town & Isle of Dogs – Mark Spencer

Formerly marshland, the Isle of Dogs is now heavily urbanised. The vegetation is now dominated by a wide array of neophyte plant species, many of which are largely restricted to warmer urban areas. A joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland (BSBI). Please contact Mark via hotfungus@hotmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sat 14 Mar 2026 10:00–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Beddington Farmlands – Amanda Tuke

Access to what is usually a permit only site for wetland and grassland species, including perhaps, early migrants. Numbers are strictly limited. Please email amanda.tuke@greenisp.co.uk to request a place, and to receive meeting place details. Site is a short walk from Hackbridge Station (Southern and Thameslink). Waterproof boots recommended. Toilet at station.

Sat 14 Mar 2026 10:45–15:00 Field Meeting
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Group
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station.

Sun 15 Mar 2026 10:00–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Hyde Park & Kensington Gardens – Francis O’ Sullivan
Wildfowl, Gulls, Nuthatch, Treecreeper and possibly Tawny or Little Owl. Meet at Queensway Tube Stn (Central line). Café and Toilets.

Tue 17 Mar 2026 10:30–15:30 Indoor Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Natural History Museum – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sun 22 Mar 2026 10:00–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: RSPB Rainham Marshes – Patrick Hart
Warblers, waders, other passage birds and raptors, including Marsh Harrier, and perhaps Barn Owl and Bearded Tit. Meet at reserve car park. Nearest station Purfleet (NR Fenchurch St). Parking fee for non- RSPB members. Toilets.

Tue 24 Mar 2026 10:00–16:00 Field Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Lesnes Abbey Woods – Connor Butler
Beetle Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Wed 25 Mar 2026 10:30–12:00 Indoor
LNHS Library: LNHS Library – Cathy Ching and Leslie Bolsover
Informal group to discuss the book,”An Immense World - Astonishing Ways in Which Animals Experience Our Planet” by Ed Yong. No need to book in advance. All newcomers welcome. Contact the LNHS librarian or lbcfieldmeetings@lnhs.org.uk for more details.

Fri 27 Mar 2026 10:00–16:00 Field Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Welsh Harp – Keiron Brown
Earthworm Sampling Day. No experience needed as training provided. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 28 Mar 2026 10:30–15:30 Field Meeting
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Tom Walker
Hampstead Heath Molluscs with Tom Walker. Meet outside Hampstead Heath Overground station, 4 South End Rd, London, NW3 2PY, (which is a few minutes' walk from Belsize Park tube station). Bring lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Sun 29 Mar 2026 10:00–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Crossness Nature Reserve – George Kalli
Early migrants and waders. Meet at Belvedere Stn. (NR Charing Cross). Portaloo on TWA reserve.

Tue 31 Mar 2026 11:00–13:00 Field Meeting
Botany: Natural History Museum – Bettina Metcalfe
Looking at conifers and ferns in the Evolution Garden of the Natural History Museum, Cromwell Rd, South Kensington, London SW7 5BD. Meet at 11am by the new garden entrance at the corner of Exhibition Road / Cromwell Road <https://maps.app.goo.gl/CaVtUG7PCYDKA8Qx6>

Wed 1 Apr 2026 10:30–15:30 Field Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Lesnes Abbey Woods – Keiron Brown
Earthworm Sampling Day. No experience needed as training provided. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Wed 8 Apr 2026 10:30–15:30 Indoor Meeting
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Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Thu 9 Apr 2026 19:00–20:00 Virtual Talk
Virtual Talks: Online – TBC
TBC book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/london-natural-history-society-30790245484>

Sat 11 Apr 2026 10:45–15:00 Field Meeting
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Group
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station.

Sat 11 Apr 2026 10:00–13:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Sydenham Hill Wood – Dave Clark
Sydenham Hill Wood early migrants, Firecrest. No toilets. Meet at Cox's Walk, northern entrance near Lordship Lane. Nearest stations, West Dulwich, East Dulwich & Forest Hill.

Sat 11 Apr 2026 11:00–15:00 Field Meeting
Botany: Hackney Downs Park – Nic Young
Looking at trees. Meet at 11am at the terraced public seating outside Brunswick East Bakehouse, Hackney Downs Studios, 17 Amhurst Terrace, E8 2BT. Approach from Amhurst Road or Shacklewell Lane, or through the pedestrian underpass to the Northwest of Hackney Downs Park. Bring lunch. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/UWqVw8x7RcutrTDS8>

Sun 12 Apr 2026 10:30–14:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: London Wetland Centre – Gehan and Nirma de Silva
Premier urban wetland. Spring birds and other wildlife. Meet outside visitor centre at 10.30am by Sir Peter Scott statue. Tickets required for non-WWT members. See WWT website for prices and directions. Cafe and Toilets.

Sun 12 Apr 2026 10:30–15:00 Field Meeting
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – John Wells
Hampstead Heath Introduction to Lichens and Bryophytes with John Wells. Meet outside Hampstead Heath Overground station, 4 South End Rd, London, NW3 2PY, (which is a few minutes' walk from Belsize Park tube station). Bring lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Sun 12 Apr 2026 11:00–15:00 Field Meeting
Botany: Notting Hill – Mario Maculan
Urban botanising, looking for some unusual plants. Meet at 11am at Notting Hill station (northwest exit).

Tue 14 Apr 2026 10:00–16:00 Field Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Paradise Fields – Imogen Cavadino-Phillips
Mollusc Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 18 Apr 2026 11:00–16:00 Field Meeting
Botany: Coppetts Wood and St Pancras and Islington Cemetery – Henry Miller
Coppetts Wood is a small 14-hectare site of Borough Importance for Nature Conservation. The Bee Orchid (*Ophrys apifera*) and Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) have previously been recorded at the site. It is unclear if they persist. We aim to record a variety of trees as well as the woodland flora. St Pancras and Islington Cemetery is the third largest cemetery in London, it has areas of neutral grassland wetlands and woodlands and has management recommendations from the London Ecology Unit we will do general recording at this site.

Sun 19 Apr 2026 10:00–13:00 Field Meeting
London Bird Club: Trent Park – Julia Courtney
Mixed habitat country park. Tits, thrushes, warblers, woodpeckers, possible skylarks, migrants. Meet at Cockfosters Station for short walk to site. Toilets at station, local cafes and in park.

Tue 21 Apr 2026 10:30–15:30 Field Meeting
Ecology & Entomology: Welsh Harp – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Thu 23 Apr 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Lesnes Abbey Woods – Imogen Cavadino-Phillips
Mollusc Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 25 Apr 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Battersea Park – Clive Freeman
Trees in Battersea Park, a 200-acre Victorian Park with interesting trees, including Elms with a range of different leaf shapes and sizes. Meet at Chelsea Gate <https://what3words.com/finds.shave.banana>

Sat 25 Apr 2026 10:30–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Tony Madgwick
Hampstead Heath Bees with Tony Madgwick. Meet at the Flagstaff by Whitestone Pond (TQ 26237 86366) - 10 mins up the hill (A502, Heath St.) from Hampstead underground station. Bring Lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Sat 25 Apr 2026 10:00–13:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Russia Dock Woodland – John Cadera
Resident species and spring migrants: Robin, Long-tailed Tit, Blackcap, Chiffchaff and Willow Warbler. Sparrowhawk and House Martins. Finish on Stave Hill. Option: return to Canada Water via Surrey Water for ducks and gulls. Meet at park entrance at Onega Gate. Surrey Quays (London Overground) or Canada Water (Jubilee line) and walk. Alternatively, Bermondsey Tube Stn (Jubilee) and Bus 381 to Onega Gate stop or Bus 188 to Surrey Quays Stn and walk. Toilets in Surrey Quays Shopping Centre.

Sun 26 Apr 2026 14:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Beckenham Place Park – Nick Bertrand
Bluebell walk at Beckenham Place Park. A great time of year to experience the woods and wildflowers of the area. Meet 14:00 outside Mansion House (What3Words ///still.peanut.improving). Nearest station Beckenham Hill (TQ380713, NR London Bridge). Joint with Creekside Education Trust and Friends of Beckenham Place Park.

Sun 26 Apr 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Wanstead Flats – Bob Vaughan
Wheatear, Whinchat, Willow Warbler, Common Redstart, Little Owl, among others. Meet outside Manor Park Station (Elizabeth Line) at 10:00. Toilets local Esso Garage or City of London Cemetery.

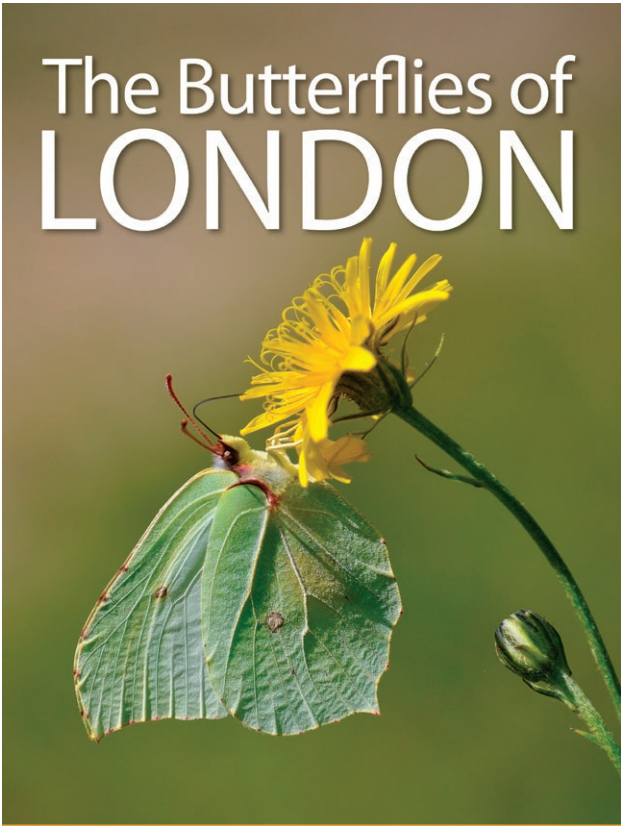
Sat 2 May 2026 10:00–13:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Ruislip Woods – Neil Anderson
National Nature Reserve - Birds and wildlife. Meet at bus stop for the Ruislip Lido (near Water’s Edge pub) in Reservoir Road. Nearest tube station Ruislip (Met/Picc), then H13 to Bus Stop ‘Ruislip Lido’ (Stop W) on Reservoir Rd or 331 to Bus Stop ‘Reservoir Road’ (Stop N) on Ducks Hill Rd. Toilets, cafe & pub.

Sun 3 May 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Crayford Marshes – Harry Halstead
Spring warblers, waders and gulls, possibly seals on Rivers Thames and Darenth. No toilets. Meet at Slade Green rail station (Thameslink and Southeastern Rail) for 5 min walk to site.

Wed 6 May 2026 10:30–15:30 **Indoor Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Natural History Museum – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 9 May 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
Joint London Bird Club and RSPB Central London Local Group: Cheshunt – Andrew Peel
Hear and possibly see nightingales; also warblers, woodpeckers, wildfowl, common tern; kingfisher and peregrine possible. Meet Cheshunt station car park at 10am. Toilets at station and enroute (Fishers Green).

Sat 9 May 2026 10:30–13:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Edward Milner
Hampstead Heath Spiders with Edward Milner. Meet at the Flagstaff by Whitestone Pond (TQ 26237 86366) - 10 mins up the hill (A502, Heath St.) from Hampstead underground station. Bring Lunch. Toilets on the Heath. Note: due to high demand places may be limited. Email hampsteadbookings@lnhs.org.uk to register with the name and date of the walk in the subject.



THE BUTTERFLIES OF LONDON
Leslie Williams

London Natural History Society

London, at first glance, may not appear an obvious home for butterflies. But of the species considered resident or regular migrants to Britain and Ireland, two-thirds were found to occur in London. This book, based on a London-wide survey by the London Natural History Society and others, illustrates the range of habitats within the UK’s capital city, the butterflies that it supports and the potential to enhance the city environment. Photographs illustrate the butterflies in their habitats throughout London.

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Sat 9 May 2026 10:45–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Pete Mantle
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station. This walk will focus on recording the birds of Bookham Commons.

Sun 10 May 2026 10:00–12:30 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Greenwich Park – Joe Beale
Migrating and breeding birds (Woodpeckers, Blackcap, Goldcrest). Meet at Blackheath Gate/Main Park Office. 10 min walk from Blackheath Station (Southeastern/Thameslink). Toilets.

Mon 11 May 2026 10:00– 15:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Burgess Park – Benny Hawksbee
Pollinator ID and ecology walk led by Benny Hawksbee in Burgess Park. Meet at 5 Chumleigh Gardens TQ 33136 77785 – a short walk from Albany Road/Wells Way bus stop. There will be a brief introductory slideshow followed by a walk around the park. All knowledge levels welcome. Bring your own lunch.

Thu 14 May 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Paradise Fields – Mark Spencer
Botany Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Thu 14 May 2026 19:00–20:00 **Virtual Talk**
Virtual Talks: Online – Keith Betton
Saving the Stone Curlew book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/london-natural-history-society-30790245484>

Sat 16 May 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Lesnes Abbey Woods – Keiron Brown
General Field Recorder Day. Recorders of all taxa are welcome. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sun 17 May 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
Joint London Bird Club and Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Pete Mantle and Kennedy Cruickshank
Spring birds and other wildlife. Listen to warblers and other song birds establishing breeding territories. Meet at Hampstead Heath Overground Station. Toilets in park.

Sat 23 May 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: RSPB Rainham Marshes – Dave Clark
Spring bird walk. Meet at reserve car park. Nearest station Purfleet (NR Fenchurch St). Parking Fee for non-RSPB members. Toilets.

Sat 23 May 2026 11:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Staines Moor – Henry Miller
This site is a 500-hectare Site of Special Scientific Interest and Ramsar site (internationally important wetland). The site includes a variety of wetlands plants, some of which are rare in Middlesex. Meet at 11:00 at Staines Railway Station (TQ041714) VC21. We will walk to the site as a group; Staines Moor is approximately a 15-minute walk from the station. The site is crossed by streams and will be wet in places. Boots or wellies are advised. This is a joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland BSBI. Please contact Henry at henrythemiller@gmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sat 23 May 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Borough – Bettina Metcalfe
Looking at street trees and public gardens around Borough tube station. Meet outside the station at 11am. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/nIB87onTE65sVy6KA>

Sun 24 May 2026 10:00–13:30 **Field Meeting**
Joint London Bird Club and Wood Farm Reserve: Wood Farm Reserve and Stanmore County Park – Josh Kalms, Marian Rastelli and Leslie Bolsover
Grassland, woodland, wildflowers attracting insects and birds: Yellow Meadow Ants, Garden Warbler , Blackcap, Chiffchaff, Common Whitethroat. Meet at Stanmore Underground Station entrance (Jubilee Line). Toilets at Station.

Wed 27 May 2026 10:30–12:00 **Indoor**
LNHS Library: LNHS Library – Cathy Ching and Leslie Bolsover
Informal group to discuss the book, “Regenesi: Feeding the World Without Devouring the Planet” by George Monbiot. No need to book in advance. All newcomers welcome. Contact the LNHS librarian or lbcfieldmeetings@lnhs.org.uk for more details.

Sat 30 May 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Amwell Nature Reserve – Francis O’ Sullivan
Waterfowl, warblers and raptors, Marsh Tit, Little Ringed Plover, Hobby plus odonata and orchids. Meet St Margarets (Herts) Station 10.00am (NR Liv. St or Tottenham Hale). No toilets.

Sat 30 May 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Myatt’s Fields Park – John Stocker
Meet at Little Cat Café at 11am. Myatt’s Fields in SE5 is a small 12-acre park in which the horticulture is carried out by the local community; 90 different species of tree. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/y452tJHEn7ncKz5e66>

Sun 31 May 2026 10:30–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: London Wetland Centre – Gehan and Nirma de Silva
Summer birds and other wildlife. Meet outside visitor centre by Sir Peter Scott statue. Tickets required for Non-WWT members. See WWT website for prices, directions & facilities. Café, toilets, shop & hides.

Sun 31 May 2026 10:30–13:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Liz Andrew
Hampstead Heath Floral Foray with Liz Andrew. Join Liz to search for some of the uncommon plants that were recorded on the Milennial Flora database. Meet at the Flagstaff by Whitestone Pond (TQ 26237 86366) - 10 mins up the hill (A502, Heath St.) from Hampstead underground station. Bring Lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Wed 3 Jun 2026 10:30–15:30 **Indoor Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Natural History Museum – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 6 Jun 2026 11:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Fryent Country Park – Henry Miller
This site is a large park covering 103 hectares of fields and wood. We aim to record a wide variety of woodland and grassland plants. A key plant rare within Middlesex found at this site is the Narrow-leaved Bittercress (*Cardamine impatiens*). Meet at 11:00 at the junction of Barn Hill Road and Barn Rise Road (TQ193872) VC21. This is a joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland BSBI. Please contact Henry at henrythemiller@gmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sun 7 Jun 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Regent’s Park – Dave Clark
Kestrel, Cetti’s Warbler and spring migrants. Meet at Baker Street tube by Sherlock Holmes statue. Toilets and cafe facilities within park.

Tue 9 Jun 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Regent’s Park – Bettina Metcalfe
Workshop on *Tilia* species, hybrids and some cultivars. Meet at the Ready Money Drinking Fountain at the Broad Walk in Regent’s Park near the southeast corner of the Zoo. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/NwDcdby3MpBwniCz6>

Thu 11 Jun 2026 19:00–20:00 **Virtual Talk**
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Bringing Beavers Back to London: The Ealing Beaver Project book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/london-natural-history-society-30790245484>

Sat 13 Jun 2026 10:45–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Group
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station.

Sat 13 Jun 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Northfield Allotments – Mark Spencer and Simon Coleman
Northfield is London's oldest allotments. Numbers restricted to 15 (email Mark at hotfungus@hotmail.com to reserve a space). Meet 11 am at gated entrance on Northfield Avenue (TQ 16740 80110)

Sun 14 Jun 2026 10:30–14:30 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Middlesex Filter Beds and Walthamstow Wetlands – Sue Barry
Kingfisher, waterfowl, migrants. Meet at Canal Entrance of Middlesex Filter Beds. Nearest train station is Clapton. 10 minute walk down Lea Bridge Rd or 55 or 56 bus from the top of Lea Bridge Road to Chatsworth Rd, cross road to Princess of Wales pub, 4 mins along canal then cross bridge to Filter beds canal side entrance - 2 mins. Circular route, return from Tottenham Hale Station. Toilets enroute.

Tue 16 Jun 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Ravenscourt Park – Mark Spencer
Botany Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

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Ecology & Entomology: Paradise Fields – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 20 Jun 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Danson Park – Harry Halstead
Woodland, lake and grassland birds - Summer warblers, Kingfisher, Little Egret. Toilets and Café. Meet at Welling Station (Southeastern) then 10 min bus Journey on either 89, 486 or B16 From Central Avenue / Welling Station Code (C) to Crook Log Leisure Centre Code (BC) then cross over crossing.



Sat 20 Jun 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Golders Hill Park – Bettina Metcalfe
Introduction to ferns for total beginners. Learn how to recognise about a dozen common ferns. Meet at the northern entrance to Golders Hill Park on North End Road, opposite ‘Hampstead Way’. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/LgEZuFMvDmg4qshw8>

Sun 21 Jun 2026 10:00–14:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Richmond Park – Sennen Powell
Green and Great spotted woodpecker, Chiffchaff. Tits, Treecreepers, possibly Swifts, Swallows, Martins, Kestrel, Sparrowhawk and Hobby. Meet at Richmond Gate. North Sheen and Richmond Park stations approx 15 min walk. Bus 371 to Richmond Hill/Richmond Gate or 65 to Dysart. Pembroke Lodge Carpark closest to gate. Toilets at Gate.

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London Bird Club: Ruislip Woods – Dick Middleton
A National Nature Reserve (NNR), look for birds, dragonflies and butterflies. Meet at bus stop for the Ruislip Lido (nr Water’s Edge pub) in Reservoir Road. Nearest tube station Ruislip (Met/Picc), then H13 to Lido or 331 bus to Ducks Hill Road. Toilets, cafe & pub.

Sat 27 Jun 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Holly Lodge Estate – Bob Saxton
Impressive variety of street trees in this beautiful private Highgate estate (open to the public). Meet at junction of Swain’s Lane and Hillway N6. Bring lunch. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/6k6LHmG6wyACXJXA9>

Mon 29 June 2026 10:30–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Connor Butler
Hampstead Heath Beetle Survey with Connor Butler. Meet at the Flagstaff by Whitestone Pond (TQ 26237 86366) - 10 mins up the hill (A502, Heath St.) from Hampstead underground station. Bring Lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Wed 1 Jul 2026 10:30–15:30 **Indoor Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Natural History Museum – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Thu 2 Jul 2026 18:30–20:30 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Brixton – Roy Vickery
An introduction to south London’s exotic flora. Meet at the junction of Brixton Road with Brixton Station Road (c.5-10 minutes walk from Brixton stations).



Sat 4th July 2026 10:00–13:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology and Entomology: Ruislip Woods – Neil Anderson
Ruislip Woods Butterflies and General Entomology, Meet 10.00 until about 13.00 in front of Water’s Edge Pub by the Reservoir Road bus stop Ruislip Lido (stop W). Nearest tube station Ruislip Stn (Met/Picc). Then bus H13 to Lido (stop above) or nearby bus 331 (Bus stop Reservoir Rd-stop N) on Duck’s Hill Lane.

Sat 4 Jul 2026 10:30–13:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Leslie Williams
Hampstead Heath Butterflies with Leslie Williams. Meet at the entrance to the Kenwood Walled Garden, by the old stable block (TQ 27299 87513). This is easily accessible by the 210 or 310 bus.

Sat 4 Jul 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Kilburn Grange Park – Bettina Metcalfe
Exploring the collection of trees including some very rare species in this small public park in West Hampstead NW6. Meet off Kilburn High Road at the main entrance to the park which is almost opposite Brondesbury Medical Centre. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/7nQrjwqtq2ZsEVMxa6>

Sun 5 Jul 2026 10:00–13:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Paradise Fields - Ealing Beaver Project – Şeniz Mustafa and Elliot Newton
See entry for same site on Sat 7 Mar 2026.

Thu 9 Jul 2026 19:00–20:00 **Virtual Talk**
Virtual Talks: Online – TBC
TBC book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/london-natural-history-society-30790245484>

Sat 11 Jul 2026 10:45–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Nicholas Barnett
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station. Today’s walk will focus on butterflies and dragonflies and we hope to see the Purple Emperors.

Sat 11 Jul 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: New River Walk – Mark Spencer
We will be following the New River Path southwards looking for aquatic & marginal plants and neophytes. A joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland (BSBI). Please contact Mark via hotfungus@hotmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Tue 14 Jul 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Regent’s Park – Bob Saxton
Workshop on Acer species, looking at a rich variety of maples. Meet on the path by the Hub in the northwest quadrant of the park. Bring lunch. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/wojLFK1Ygyqz3IZAA>

Wed 22 Jul 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Hammersmith Park and Wormholt Park – Connor Butler
Beetle Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Wed 29 Jul 2026 10:30–12:00 **Indoor**
LNHS Library: LNHS Library – Cathy Ching and Leslie Bolsover
Informal group to discuss the book, “Lost Wonders: 10 Tales of Extinction from the 21st Century”, by Tom Lathan. No need to book in advance. All newcomers welcome. Contact the LNHS librarian or lbcfieldmeetings@lnhs.org.uk for more details.

Thu 30 Jul 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Paradise Fields – Tristan Bantock
Bug Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 1 Aug 2026 09:30–13:00 **Field Meeting**
London Bird Club: Footscray Meadows – George Kalli
Kingfisher, Grey Wagtail, Little Egret, woodland birds. Meet at Albany Park Stn (Direct trains from Cannon Street & London Bridge. With changes from Victoria or Charing Cross). No toilets.

Sat 1 Aug 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Stratford Park – Bettina Metcalfe
A nice variety of trees in a moderately sized park with surprise street tree species near-by. Meet at the northwest entrance to the park at the corner of West Ham Lane and Pitchford Street, in E15. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/dBQde3JZZmksEroP9>

Sun 2 Aug 2026 10:30–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Hampstead Heath Survey Section: Hampstead Heath – Liz Andrew
Hampstead Heath Floral Foray with Liz Andrew. Join Liz to search for some of the uncommon plants that were recorded on the Milennial Flora database. Meet at the Flagstaff by Whitestone Pond (TQ 26237 86366) - 10 mins up the hill (A502, Heath St.) from Hampstead underground station. Bring Lunch. Toilets on the Heath. All welcome.

Tue 4 Aug 2026 10:00–16:00 **Field Meeting**
Bishops Park: Ecology & Entomology – Tristan Bantock
Bug Field Recorder Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Wed 5 Aug 2026 10:30–15:30 **Indoor Meeting**
Ecology & Entomology: Natural History Museum – Keiron Brown
Invertebrate Study Day. Book via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/london-natural-history-society-3828723>

Sat 8 Aug 2026 10:45–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Bookham Commons Survey: Bookham Commons – Group
Recording Day. Meet at Bookham Station.

Sat 8 Aug 2026 11:00–15:00 **Field Meeting**
Botany: Islington & St. Pancras Cemetery and Glebelands – Mark Spencer
Meet 11:00 am by the entrance to the cemetery on High Road (TQ26799017). We will be looking for remnant native grassland plants and Lesser Water-plantain, *Baldellia ranunculoides* at its last known site in London. A joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland (BSBI). Please contact Mark via hotfungus@hotmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sun 9 Aug 2026 09:45–14:00**Field Meeting****London Bird Club: Staines Reservoir – Andrew Peel**

Wildfowl, grebes (Black-necked possible), terns, migrants. Meet 09:45 am at Hatton Cross for 10:00 am 203 bus. Toilets at nearby BP petrol shed.

Sat 15 Aug 2026 11:00–16:00**Field Meeting****Botany: Crane Park – Henry Miller**

The site is a 30-hectare public park next to the River Crane in Twickenham. It includes Crane Park Island, which is a Local Nature Reserve. We aim to record a variety of plants including wetland species and the Middlesex rarity Small Teasle (*Dipsacus pilosus*). Meet at 11:00 at the junction of Lincoln Avenue and Gloucester Road (TQ144730) VC21. This is a joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland BSBI. Please contact Henry at henrythemiller@gmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sat 15 Aug 2026 10:00–14:00**Field Meeting****Joint London Bird Club and Hampstead Heath Survey****Section: Hampstead Heath – Pete Mantle**

Autumn birds, migrants, other wildlife. Meet at Hampstead Heath Overground Station. Toilets in park.

Sun 16 Aug 2026 10:30–14:30**Field Meeting****London Bird Club: RSPB Rainham Marshes – Dave Clark**

Autumn birds, residents, e.g., Marsh Harrier, migrants & waders. Meet at Reserve Car Park. Nearest station Purfleet (NR Fenchurch St). Parking fee for non-RSPB members. Toilets.

Sat 29 Aug 2026 11:00–15:00**Field Meeting****Botany: Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park – Mark Spencer**

Meet 11:00 am at Hackney Wick overground station (TQ371845). We will be examining the complex impacts of landscape level application of seed mixes of unknown provenance. Many of these plants are 'cryptic' non-native look-alikes for native taxa, other are obvious neophytes that are escaping from the nearby horticultural plantings. A joint meeting with the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland (BSBI). Please contact Mark via hotfungus@hotmail.com to reserve a space. Bring lunch.

Sun 30 Aug 2026 09:30–12:30**Field Meeting****London Bird Club: Alexandra Palace – Andrew Peel**

Woodland birds, woodpeckers, waterbirds, Kingfisher, migrants. Meet at Wood Green Underground Station (Piccadilly line). Toilets.

