

HARROW NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY



Programme for Autumn and Winter 2019/2020

Indoor meetings are held in the Blackwell Hall, Uxbridge Road, HA3 6DQ, next to All Saints Church at 8 p.m. unless otherwise stated.

Buses 340, H12, H18 and H19 stop nearby. Entrance fee for visitors £2.00

September

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| Monday 9th | Talk | A Brief History of Slime. A talk on slime moulds by Jane Skelly and Rosie Etheridge. |
| Saturday 14th | Event | Conservation and Sustainability Fair at Newton Farm Ecology Park, Rayners Lane, HA2 9DA, from 12.00 to 4.00 pm. Fun and informative for young and old with a programme of talks for adults, stalls, events for children and much more. |
| Sunday 15th | Event | Pick Your Own. Come to Pear Wood Orchard, bring a bag and pick yourself some apples. Claire and Rosie will be on hand to help you pick and answer any questions. The gate on Wood Lane will be open 2.00 - 2.15 pm or park at Wood Farm and walk across. Our biennial Apple Afternoon with refreshments, talk etc will be back next year. Contact Claire on 020 8954 0439 or cbga@aol.com for more information. |
| Friday 27th | Walk | Bat Walk. Bat Walk at Headstone Manor Recreation Ground with Simon Braidman and the Friends of Headstone Manor Park. Meet at 7.20 pm by the moat in the Park. |
| Saturday 28th | Walk | Nuts, Berries and Medicinal Fruit at Stanmore Country Park. Walk led by Simon Braidman 020 8386 2502 or for more information contact simonbraidman@hotmail.co.uk. Meet at 10.30 am in the car park off Dennis Lane. |
| Sunday 29th | Event | Apple Afternoon at the Grim's Dyke Hotel, Old Redding. 1 pm to 4 pm in the Rose Garden. There will be apple juicing, tours of Lady Gilbert's Orchard and some stalls. |

October

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| Sunday 13th | Walk | Harrow Recreation Ground. Autumn tree walk and Bug Hunt led by John Wells and Simon Braidman with the Harrow Recreation Ground Users' Association. Meet at the Hindes Road entrance at 10.30 am. Refreshments available in the Pavilion hut afterwards. |
| Monday 14th | Talk | Mosses, Lichens and Liverworts. A talk by naturalist John Wells |
| Saturday 19th | Walk | Fungus and general nature in Pear Wood. Guided walk from 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm led by Rosie and Claire. The gate on Wood Lane will be open 2.00 - 2.15 pm or park at Wood Farm and walk across. Contact Claire on 020 8954 0439 or cbga@aol.com or Rosie on 07410933370. |
| Saturday 26th | Walk | Stanmore Common. Joint meeting with other wildlife groups looking at fungi, meeting at 10.30 am in the car park, Warren Lane. Leader Simon Braidman 020 8386 2502 or for more information contact simonbraidman@hotmail.co.uk |

November

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| Sunday 3rd | Walk | Bird Watching Walk with the Friends of Canons Park. Meet at 10.00 am at the Donnefield Avenue Entrance. The walk lasts about 2 hours. |
| Thursday 7th | Walk | Edgwarebury Park HA8 8QJ. Meet at the Edgware Lane entrance at 11.00 am for a walk identifying trees and wildlife followed by refreshment in the cafe. Leader Rosie Etheridge 07410933370 |
| Monday 11th | AGM | Annual General Meeting. Followed by Wild Life photographs by Peter Elton. |

December

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| Monday 9th | Event | Christmas Social at the Blackwell Hall. A chance to get together with fellow members and like-minded friends with food and a quiz. |
| Monday 30th | Walk | Walk at Old Redding. We will meet in the Main Car Park at the View Point at 11.00 am for a nature walk along part of the Nature Trail followed by refreshments at The Case is Altered Pub. |

January

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| Monday 13th | Talk | The Birds of Maple Lodge Nature Reserve. A talk by Steve Carter. |
| Thursday 23rd | Walk | Stockers Lake for winter birds and wildlife. Meet at 10.30 am in Stockers Farm Road off Harefield Road by the Pumping Station. Leader Brian Hunter 07754499858. |

February

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| Monday 10th | Talk | The World of Plants. The story of plant evolution from algae through mosses, ferns and conifers to flowering plants. An introduction to some fascinating but little known plant groups. A talk by botanist Dr Brenda Harold. |
| Saturday 15th | Walk | Snowdrops in Pear Wood Orchard, 50th Anniversary of the Harrow Natural History Society. Time: 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm. The gate on Wood Lane will be open from 2.00 pm - 2.15 pm or walk across from Wood Farm. Contact Claire Abbott for details on 020 8954 0439 or cbga@aol.com. Please bring a thermos with a hot drink to go with our Anniversary Cake. |

March

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| Thursday 5th | Walk | Leavesden Country Park at 1 College Road, Abbots Langley, WD5 0NX. Meet at 11.00 am for a walk to look at trees and wildlife followed by refreshments at The Woodland Cafe. |
| Monday 9th | Talk | The Plight of our Bees. A talk by a member of Harrow Beekeepers Association. |

April

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| Monday 6th
Please note the date. | Talk | Biodiversity and the Environment on the Thames Water Estate. A talk by Ian Crump, Biodiversity Field Officer from Thames Water. |
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Please note that it is advisable to wear strong shoes at all times at outdoor meetings as paths may be rough and muddy.
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Mobile numbers are for contact on the day.