



Wild Essex

2024 list of events Jan–June



Other stuff

BRINGING NATURE TO YOU

We would be very happy to discuss any ideas you may have for a tailor-made nature experience. Perhaps advice on Rewilding Your Garden, a moth trapping evening or bespoke walk with a group of friends. General cost £5 per hour per person, usual minimum group of 3 or £15 per hour.

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BETH CHATTO'S GARDEN

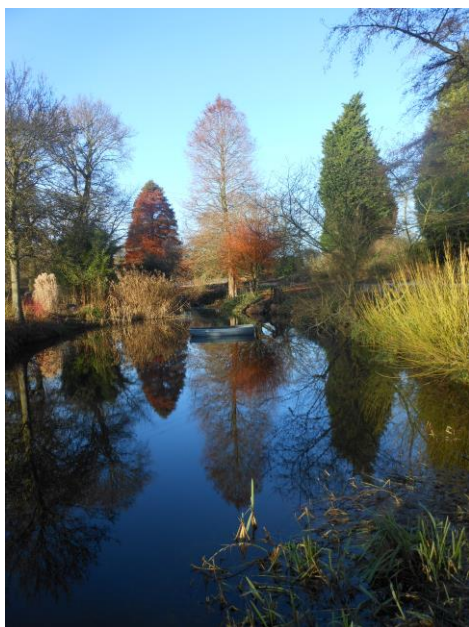
'Meet the Naturalist' 11am – 1pm

Chris will be leading some FREE 2-hour walks around Beth Chatto's Garden (Elmstead Market) on the following days: (Please note entrance fee to the garden still applies). No need to book.

Fri 19th APRIL

Fri 17th MAY

Fri 21st JUNE



'Marvellous Moths'

JUNE

Saturday 22nd 9am – 11am
Marvellous Moths! - Beth Chatto's Plants & Gardens

Come and explore the insect life in this wonderful garden and see our moth trap (set overnight) opened. Have the first hour in the garden to ourselves!

£25 per person
Book directly with the garden.



Welcome....

...to this list of events for the next six months. We are taking bookings for them all, or if you would like a bit more info just get in touch! As you will see we've walks of varying lengths around Wivenhoe, and others in nearby towns and villages (where possible easily accessible by public transport, being conscious of our carbon footprint, as well as continuing our winter series of free zoom sessions. We've a charity event in the pipeline too. Keep an eye on our monthly newsletters for up-to-date info.

JANUARY

Sunday 7th 7pm ZOOM 'PARASITIC PLANTS'.
Join us using the following link

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86178028313?pwd=G2nC9lQc79aqeIEIsJRI09f0LoAKHc.1>

Meeting ID: 861 7802 8313
Passcode: 3wgrWn

FEBRUARY

Sunday 4th 7pm ZOOM. 'THE WILD SIDE OF BETH CHATTO'S GARDEN'
See link in January newsletter.

Monday 12th 10am – 12 noon £10 per person
WIVENHOE WOODS IN WINTER – TREES & BIRDS.
Wrap up warm for a stroll through our wonderful woodland – find out about its history and what lives there.
Local pubs within easy reach if anyone fancies a post-walk drink/lunch 😊

MARCH

Sunday 3rd 7pm ZOOM 'THE MAKING OF A FIELD GUIDE'
See link in February newsletter

Friday 15th 10am – 12 noon £10 per person
ALRESFORD OLD CHURCH DOWN TO THE ESTUARY – SIGNS OF SPRING
See what is springing up!



APRIL

Thursday 25th 10 am – 12 noon £10 per person or £20 including a copy of Chris' book 'British and Irish Wildflowers and Plants' *

WIVENHOE BARRIER MARSH – ANTHILLS and FLOWERS

Come and see Chris's new flower guide in action, learn to use the keys to identify flowers you find there. And back to the Black Buoy afterwards? (*to be confirmed)

MAY

Saturday 4th 10am – 12 noon £10 per person

BLUEBELLS! WIVENHOE WOODS

We are so lucky to have an annual display of bluebells in our lovely woodlands. Lots else to discover of course!

Sunday 5th EARLY!! (TBC) **DAWN CHORUS IN WIVENHOE**

This will be one of our CHARITY EVENTS this year – all proceeds to our favourite charity Buglife (after all our avian friends rely on bugs to survive!) [Buglife | Help Buglife save the planet](#)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL. Please give what you can 😊

JUNE

Thursday 20th 10am – 12 noon £10 per person

BRIGHTLINGSEA EAST END

Lots to discover – with fantastic views over the estuary. Followed by (optional) pub lunch in the Rosebud

Monday 24th **SUMMER SOCIAL AND STAG NIGHT, WIVENHOE KGV**

Enjoy a relaxed evening with other nature fans. We'll organise a couple of short walks then as dusk falls be on the lookout for Stag Beetles and Bats.

Bring chairs and refreshments and we will make a night of it. 😊

From 8pm. FREE but PLEASE BOOK

LOTS MORE PLANNED FOR THE REST OF 2024, INCLUDING OLD KNOBBLEY IN JULY, AND HARWICH/FELIXSTOWE DAY OUT IN SEPTEMBER. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW!

Of course, we reserve the right to cancel/amend any of the above should the need arise, eg due to ill health, severe weather etc. Hope to see you on some of the events. Also just to say that as always should you no longer wish to receive these emails, please just drop me a line and I'll sort it.

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