

# Selborne Society Diary Spring 2019



5 March 7:30 pm	Natural History Talk - hear about the new Thames21 project on the river Brent, the <b>Gurnell to Greenford Greenway</b>	Thames 21's new project focuses on the River Brent near Gurnell Pool and starts in January 2019. Dr Lucy Shuker will tell us all about it, about citizen science and the wider ambitions for a partnership to improve the river and its floodplain by taking a 'catchment based approach'. The Brent is our nearest river - we need to know all about it.
9 March 2:00 pm	Rangers - Fun natural history learning for Junior Members	See our Facebook page for more details: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/">https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/</a>
10 March 10:00am	Conservation Sunday - Nic Ferriday leads volunteers into the Wood for some judicious pruning.	<b>If you are into conservation work - maintaining and improving the natural features, coppicing, hedge-laying, scrub clearing, then there are two opportunities at the reserve - 10am on the second Sunday of each month and 10am on the last Tuesday. Wear old clothes and suitable footwear, and bring a packed lunch. Contact Nic Ferriday (020 8930 4119) for further details.</b>
10 March 2:00 pm	Archaeology Drop In session - Come and get an update on the Big Dig	
26 March 10:00 am	Conservation Tuesday - Nic Ferriday leads a work party into the Wood for a green work-out.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
6 April 1:15 pm	Field Meeting: Walk to the River Brent to view the site of the new Thames21 project, the <b>Gurnell to Greenford Greenway</b>	Meet at 1.15 at the reserve if you want to walk the whole way, or rendezvous outside Gurnell pool at 2pm if you prefer a shorter walk. For those who prefer to stay in the reserve and walk and view the bluebells someone will be at the reserve from 2pm to support this activity too.
9 April 7:30pm	Annual General Meeting	Come and find out what the Society has achieved in the last year and learn about our plans for 2019 and beyond. All welcome, only members have voting rights.
13 April 2:00 pm	Rangers - Fun natural history learning for Junior Members	We will search out all the signs that spring is here, and then turn what we find into poetry. See our Facebook page for more details: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/">https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/</a>
14 April 10:00 am	Conservation Sunday - Nic Ferriday leads volunteers into the Wood for some judicious pruning.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
23 April 10:00 am	Conservation Tuesday - Nic Ferriday leads a work party into the Wood for a green work-out.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
27 April 10:00 am	Open Day preparations - your help will be needed!	Setting up for Open Day starts at 10am and ends when we've finished, so the more hands the better. Volunteers welcome to put up gazebos, erect stalls, set up rubbish bins, get the kitchen ready and so much more! Any help is welcome - contact <a href="mailto:Deborah.Worsley@selbornesociety.org.uk">Deborah.Worsley@selbornesociety.org.uk</a> to put your name down on our list of helpers.

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28 April 10:00 am	OPEN DAY !!!	
4 May 2:00 pm	Field Meeting - Spring Fling! Join an expedition to look for queen bees and see wildlife making the most of spring weather.	Fiona Barclay will be hoping to find queen bees on our outing but we will have to see what the weather is like! Fiona will help us identify and learn about all the wildlife we find.
5 May 4:15 am	Dawn Chorus - a magical event for early birds	Wrap up warm and come along to sit in the wood when it's dark, still and quiet, waiting for the growing chorus of songs and calls from our many bird species. You will be helped to identify each call by our expert birders. As it gets light, we will walk through the reserve, catching the songs of birds at the boundaries, before morning tea and croissants. Older children welcome with a parent or adult carer.
11 May 2:00 pm	Rangers - Fun natural history learning for Junior Members	See our Facebook page for more details: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/">https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/</a>
12 May 10:00 am	Conservation Sunday - Nic Ferriday leads volunteers into the Wood for some judicious pruning.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
28 May 10:00 am	Conservation Tuesday - Nic Ferriday leads a work party into the Wood for a green work-out.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
1 Jun 2:00 pm	Field Meeting: Come pond dipping to find and learn about the abundant life in our ponds, pools and puddles	Peter Warne will help us identify and learn about the teeming life in the watery parts of the reserve - we have several ponds, several ditches, pools and puddles all of which are home to a range of fascinating creatures. Older children welcome with a parent/carer.
8 June 2:00pm	Rangers - Fun natural history learning for Junior Members	We will also be drawing the insects we find and will submit our drawings as part of National Insect week. See our Facebook page for more details: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/">https://www.facebook.com/perivalewoodrangers/</a>
9 June 10:00 am	Conservation Sunday - Nic Ferriday leads volunteers into the Wood for some judicious pruning.	<i>See earlier notes</i>
22 June 3:00 pm	Rangers - Big Little Sleep Out	This is an overnight adventure - camp set up from 3pm on Saturday, and ends after breakfast on Sunday morning.  More details will be found on <a href="http://www.perivalewood.org.uk">www.perivalewood.org.uk</a> from late April, including how to book a place.
25 June 10:00 am	Conservation Tuesday - Nic Ferriday leads a work party into the Wood for a green work-out.	<i>See earlier notes</i>

All events are held at Perivale Wood Local Nature Reserve, UB6 7PE, unless otherwise stated. The gate to the Reserve will be unlocked 30 minutes beforehand but will be locked once the event commences, so be sure to be early.