For all outdoor events and walks, please wear suitable clothing. It is advisable to phone prior to the event as changes can occur.

- Admission/ticket cost
- Adults only
- Children 8 years +
- Children 14 years +
- Children must be with an adult
- Family friendly
- Disabled access
- Limited disabled access
- Bring packed lunch
- Members only
- Bring torch
- Bring binoculars
- Dogs welcome
- Waterproof clothing and stout footwear
- Livestock present
- Parking nearby
- Booking essential

**Aberdeen**

Rodney Payne 01569 763742

**Aberfeldy**

Tim Fison 01887 877207

3 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: Beavers by Paul Ramsay. Meet at Grandtully Village Hall.

Late April Pine marten evening.

**Angus & Dundee**

Liz Houghton 01307 818302

26 March 7.30 pm Talk: Return of the beaver by Allan Bantick, SWT Chairman. Meet at Upper Reid Hall, Forfar. Adults and SWT members £3.50, children free.

10 May 2 pm Walk: Visit to Tay Reed Beds Powgavie, Inchture. Meet at Inchture Hotel car park.

23 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: Wildlife in Angus by speaker tbc. Meet at Upper Reid Hall, Forfar.

20 June 2 pm Guided walk: Bing botany, birds and butterflies at SWT’s Knockshinnoch Lagoons Wildlife Reserve. Meet at reserve car park (NO279376). Contact Gill Smart, SWT Reserves Manager for South West on 01294 279376.

21 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: 80° North by Eric Scott, SWT Ayrshire member. Meet at The Refectory, SAC Auchincruive (NS380234).

17 May tbc Guided walk: Bird song. Meet at The Refectory, SAC Auchincruive (NS380234).

**Berwickshire**

John Kay 01289 397542

5 March 7.30 pm Video night: Cyril Guthrie presents three videos on Northumberland. Meet at Duns Parish Church Hall car park (NT786539). Adults £1 (includes refreshments).

2 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: Swan notes by Barrie Mortimer or Pat Coff. Meet at Duns Parish Church Hall (NT786539). Adults £1 (includes refreshments).

2 May 1.30 pm Guided walk: Natural history of Paxton House grounds led by Graeme Wilson. Meet at Paxton House. Donation welcome.

6 July 7 pm Bug walk led by Craig MacAdam, Buglife. Meet at Gordon Community Woodland car park (GR663435). Adults £2, SWT members £1 (includes refreshments).

22 March 11 am Guided walk: A walk in the Lunderston Bay area. Meet at Lunderston Bay car park on A770 SW of Gourouk (NS205744).

15 August tbc SWT Trade Stand: Peeblesshire Agricultural Show Haylodge Park, Peebles.

**Central Borders**

Shirley McLaren 01896 822510

12 March 7.30 pm Illustrated talk: SWT reserves by Julian Warman, SWT Reserves Manager for South East. Meet at The Langlee Centre, Marigold Drive, Galashiels. Adults £1.

9 April 7.30 pm AGM and illustrated talk: Myths and legends of trees by Erica Humre Niven. Meet at The Langlee Centre, Marigold Drive, Galashiels. Adults £1.


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**Clyde**

Patricia Stewart 0141 775 3850

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12 August 10 am–noon Bug walk led by speaker from Airtricity. Meet at The Langlee Centre, Marigold Drive, Galashiels. Adults £1.

**Ayrshire**

Wendy Annan 01292 264170

17 March 7.30 pm Talk: Digital Critters by Don Smith. Meet at The Refectory, SAC Auchincruive (NS380234)

21 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: 80° North by Eric Scott, SWT Ayrshire member. Meet at The Refectory, SAC Auchincruive (NS380234).

Callander

Cherie Bettison 01877 330847

6 April 7.30 pm AGM and illustrated talk: Dramatic Redesigning of Commercial Forests to benefit wildlife by Stewart Marshall. Meet at Waverley Hotel, Callander.

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16 August 10 am – noon Bug walk led by speaker from Airtricity. Meet at The Langlee Centre, Marigold Drive, Galashiels. Adults £1.
**Falkirk**
**Margaret Wotherspoon 01324 717031**

21 March 1.30 pm Guided walk: Early spring by the Eden estuary led by Ronald Strachan, Fife Coast & Countryside Ranger. Meet at Eden Estuary Centre car park, Guardbridge. Adults £2.

26 March 7.30 pm Joint talk with Kinross Camera Club: Magic moments and travels with my camera by Margaret Coulis. Meet at Kinross Church Centre, Kinross. Refreshments £2.

16 April tbc Children’s outdoor event: Various games and activities. Meet at Cockshakpurk, St. Andrews. Book at Bonkers, Market Street, St. Andrews 01334 473919 from 6 April.

19 April 2 pm Guided walk: Visit to eco-friendly farm Morton of Pitmilly, Kingbarns led by Jean Stewart. Meet at Morton of Pitmilly (NO582128).

6 May 7 pm Pond dipping: The microscopic inhabitants of your garden pond with Dr Deborah Cottam. Meet at Adam Smith College, Kirkcaldy. Max 16 places – contact Deborah on 01333 422116.

22 May 9 pm Moth night: First in a series led by Tim Brain, SWT’s Conservation Shepherd. Meet at SWT’s Cullaloe Wildlife Reserve, Aberdour (NT186878).


11 July 2 pm Guided walk: Birds, flowers, butterflies and moths with Gordon Corbet. Meet at SWT’s Cullaloe Wildlife Reserve, Aberdour (NT186878).

**Fife & Kinross**
**Elizabeth Adams 01333 450267**

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**Galloway**
**Graham Smith 01644 420881**

17 April 10 am Guided walk: Spring in the Stewartry.

12 May 10 am Guided walk: Bluebells and birds at SWT’s Carstramon Wood Wildlife Reserve.

21 May 1.30 pm Guided walk: Mabie Forest Butterfly Reserve.

29 May 8.30 pm Guided walk: Natterjack toads.

**Glasgow & Clydeside**
**Ruth Llewelyn 0141 576 2151**

21 March 11 am Guided walk: Circular walk in the Blane Valley. Meet at Blanefield War Memorial (NS555797).

25 March 7.30 pm Illustrated talk: Iceland by Heather Willimott. Meet at Airlie Theatre, Hyndland Secondary, Clarence Drive. £1 donation towards refreshments.

19 April 11 am Guided walk: Hillwalking in Kilpatricks. Meet at Overtoun House, Milton (NS425762).

9 May 10.30 am Guided walk: Summer migrants at RSPB Inversnaid. Meet at Inversnaid Hotel car park (NN337089).

5 July 11 am Guided walk: A wildflower walk at Ben Lawers. Meet at NTS Visitor Centre, Ben Lawers car park.

8 August 11 am Guided walk: Cathkin Braes and SWT’s Cathkin Marsh Wildlife Reserve. Meet at Cathkin Braes car park, B759 (NS615584).

**Inner Moray Firth**
**Jim Miller 01463 713552**


16 April 7.30 pm Talk: Aspects of deer in the Highlands by Robie Kernahan from Deer Commission. Venue tbc. Adults, children and SWT members £2.

23 May 10.30 am Field trip: National Biodiversity Week: Garrick Wood near Tain. Meeting place tbc. Call for more details.

**Lanark Area**
**Jason Newton on 01555 893804**

All events unless stated otherwise: meet at St. Nicholas Parish Church Main Hall, Lanark; SWT members free, non-members £1.

17 March 7.30 pm Talk: Honeybees and their role in the environment by Brian Pool, Commercial Beekeeper, Scottish Honey.

21 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: Butterflies in Scotland - new arrivals and changes in distribution by Richard Sutcliffe, Branch Recorder, Butterfly Conservation.


**Lorn & Mid Argyll**
**Harry Powell 01631 710376**

7 April 7.30 pm AGM and talk: Cetaceans & associated wildlife by Richard Fairbairns, founder of Sea Life Surveys. Meet at Durstaffnage Marine Laboratory. Donations welcome.


**Lothians**
**Averil Stewart 01506 842676**

12 March 7.30 pm Talk: Can farming be compatible with good water quality? by Bill Jeffrey. Meet at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh.

28 March 10.30 am Outdoor event: Birdwatching with Nick Aitken. Meet at Musselburgh Lagoons Goose Green, Balcarres Road (NT347734).

23 April 7.30 pm AGM & talk: Reserves in the Lothians. Meet at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh. See Lothian Talk Newsletter.

10 May, 14 June 11 am Reserve visits: SWT’s Bawsinch and Duddingston Loch Wildlife Reserve Open Day. Meet at gate on Duddingston Road West.

23 May 10 am Reserve visits: SWT’s West Lothian Wildlife Reserves - Hermand Birchwood, Petershill and Tailend Moss. Various meeting points – see Lothian Talk Newsletter.

20 June 10.30 am Outdoor event: Botany and butterflies at Aberlady Bay with John Harrison. Meet at Aberlady Bay car park (NT472804).
Conservation days across Perthshire

The Loch of the Lowes ranger will be organising conservation days at reserves across Perthshire over the summer. For more information, contact Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre on 01350 727337 or lochofthelowes@swt.org.uk

13 August 8.30 pm Outdoor event: Bat walk at Blackford Pond, Edinburgh. Meet inside gate at junction Cluny Drive/Oswald Road. £3 donation.

North Angus
Joyce Cooper 01674 676783
2 May 10 am Coffee morning at Old & St. Andrew’s Church Hall, Montrose. £1.

Perth
Charlie Macpherson 01738 552972

Pitlochry
Beryl Coope 01882 634224

Skye
David Ashford 01471 833463

Stirling
Sue Sexton 01786 833409
6 April 7.30 pm AGM and illustrated talk: Red squirrel conservation in Scotland by Mel Tonkin, Saving Scotland’s Red Squirrels Project Manager. Meet at Smith Museum, Stirling. Adults and SWT members £2, students £1.

Upper Strathearn
Bob Fryer 01764 670526

13 August 8.30 pm Outdoor event: Bat walk at Blackford Pond, Edinburgh. Meet inside gate at junction Cluny Drive/Oswald Road. £3 donation.

SWT RANGER-LED ACTIVITIES

Inverness
Glen Campbell 07920 468567
Residential work parties

30 March – 2 April SWT’s Rahoy Hills Wildlife Reserve.

13 – 17 April SWT’s Ben Mor Coigach Wildlife Reserve.

29 June – 3 July SWT’s Hill of White Hamars Wildlife Reserve.

13 – 16 July SWT’s Rahoy Hills Wildlife Reserve.

27 – 30 July SWT’s Ben Mor Coigach Wildlife Reserve

31 August – 4 September SWT’s Handa Island Wildlife Reserve.

Irvine
Brian Dawkins, Irvine Ranger 01294 279376
11 April 11 am Guided walk: Spring in our steps. Meet at SWT’s Oldhall Ponds Wildlife Reserve (NS337365).


18 July 11 am Butterfly and moth count: Flutter by our butterflies! Meet at SWT’s Gailes Marsh Wildlife Reserve (NS324358).

25 July 9 pm Bat and moth walk: Going batty for moths! Meet at SWT’s Sourlie Wood Wildlife Reserve (NS344416). Call for directions and parking.

1 August 11 am Guided walk: Predators and prey! Meet at SWT’s Shewalton Wood Wildlife Reserve (NS345348).

Spey Bay
Laura Smith, Spey Bay Ranger 01343 820 339

All events unless stated otherwise: donations are welcome; meet at Spey Bay WDCS Visitor Centre (NJ345654).

30 March, 12 April, 10 May, 14 June, 12 July, 9 August 10 am Beach clean: Kingston Beach. Meet at Kingston car park (NJ337656).

1 May 7.15 pm Guided walk: Otters and ospreys.

5 June 7.15 pm Guided walk: Sensory walk.

3 July 7.15 pm Guided walk: Butterflies and bumblebees.

7 August 7.15 pm Guided walk: Bat walk.

8 April, 15 July, 22 July, 29 July, 5 August, 12 August, 19 August 2 pm Kids club: Wildlife warriors.

26 April, 31 May, 21 June, 26 July, 23 August 2 pm Beach clean: Spey Bay.

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Helping wildlife in the Highlands

There are many volunteering opportunities in the Highlands, including residential work parties on the Isle of Eigg and at Ben Mor Coigach. For more information see our events programme or contact Mark Foxwell at mfoxwell@swt.org.uk

Join the ranger on a beach clean at Spey Bay on 26 April
### VISITOR AND WILDLIFE CENTRES

#### Falls of Clyde Visitor Centre
**Willie Buttery 01555 665262**

11 April 2 – 4 pm Family event: Easter egg-stravaganza. Bring a hard-boiled egg.

15 April 2 – 4 pm Family event: Pond dip, games and crafts.

25 April 2 – 4 pm Community work day: Wildflower planting.

10 May 2 – 4 pm Family event: Animal tracks and signs.

3 July 2 – 4 pm Family event: Bug bonanza - hunts, crafts, games.


23 July 9 – 11 am Guided walk: Mini-mammal hunt - small mammal trapping.

#### Jupiter Urban Wildlife Centre
**Stephen Owen, Jupiter Ranger 01324 486475**

All events unless stated otherwise: £2 donation recommended; meet at Jupiter Urban Wildlife Centre.

11 April 2 – 4 pm Family event: Easter egg-stravaganza. Bring a hard-boiled egg.

15 April 2 – 4 pm Family event: Pond dip, games and crafts.

25 April 2 – 4 pm Community work day: Wildflower planting.

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3 July 2 – 4 pm Family event: Bug bonanza - hunts, crafts, games.

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#### Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre
**Morna Fisken, Visitor Centre Assistant 01350 727337**

All events: meet at Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre (NO040435); adults £10, children £5, SWT members £8.

- **Pine marten evenings**
  - 4, 11 and 18 March 7 pm
  - 25 March 8 pm
  - 3, 10, 17 and 24 June 8 pm
  - 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 July 8 pm
  - 5, 12, 19 and 26 August 8 pm

#### Montrose Basin Visitor Centre
**Caroline Hendry, Visitor Centre Manager 01674 676336**

- **8 April 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Easter nest making. Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Children £2.
- **12 April 10.30 am** Family fun day: Easter egg-stravaganza. Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Adult £3.50, family £7.
- **15 April, 22 July 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Rockpool ramble. Meet at north end of Victoria Park, Arbroath. Children £2.
- **6 May 9.30 am** Guided walk: Spring along Sexton Cliffs. Meet at car park at Whiting Ness end of Victoria Park, Arbroath.
- **10 May 5.30 am** Guided walk: Up with the lark. Meet at Old Mill car park, Mains of Dun.
- **17 June 1.30 pm** Guided walk: Re-tern to Montrose. Meet at Montrose Beach Pavilion.
- **8 July 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Step back in time. Meet at north end of Victoria Park, Arbroath.
- **26 July 10 am** Guided walk: Journeys to the centre of the mud. Meet at Old Mill car park, Mains of Dun.
- **29 July 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Bugs and slugs. Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Children £2.
- **5 August 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Clever camouflage. Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Children £2.
- **12 August 10 am** Guided walk: Baywatch. Meet at William Street car park, Ferryden.
- **12 August 10.30 am** Children’s activities: Mud, glorious mud. Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Children £2.
- **23 August 10.30 am** Family fun day (children’s mud activity 11 am and 12.30 pm). Meet at Montrose Basin Visitor Centre. Adults £3.50, family £7.