

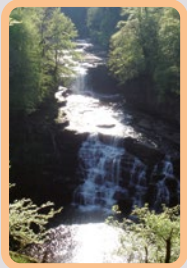
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## Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre

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### By car

If using sat nav, use the postcode PH8 0ES. Follow the signposts from the A9. The reserve is located 1.8 miles north east of Dunkeld, just off the A923 Blairgowrie road. Free car parking is available at the visitor centre.

### By public transport

The nearest railway station is Dunkeld & Birnam. There are also bus stops in Dunkeld and in Birnam.

### On foot

Follow the Fungarth Path from Dunkeld which brings you to the reserve and visitor centre.

### Opening times

1 Mar to 31 Oct: open daily from 10.30am-5pm

1 Nov to 28 Feb: open Fri-Sun from 10.30am-4pm

Restricted opening hours over Christmas and New Year period.

### Admission\*

Adults	£4.50
Concessions	£4.00
Family (2 adults and 2 children under 16)	£8.50
Children	£1.00
Members	FREE

Discounted rates apply from Nov-Feb: adults £4.00, concessions £3.00, family £8.00, children and members free. 10% discount for groups of 11+.

### Special provision

The visitor centre is wheelchair friendly, including toilet facilities. An induction loop is fitted. Education activities are available for school groups. Ask at the visitor centre for more information. Dogs welcome under strict control on woodland path. Guide dogs only in the visitor centre and viewing hides.

\* The admission payment includes an optional 10% donation which is to allow the Scottish Wildlife Trust to claim Gift Aid. Please advise our visitor centre staff if you do not wish to pay the additional donation.



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# What's on at Loch of the Lowes 2020



## Loch of the Lowes

Visitor Centre and Wildlife Reserve

# What's going on at Loch of the Lowes this year?

Every day until 31 Oct	<b>Wildlife-themed family-fun activities</b> Learn fascinating facts about wildlife! Did you know that all wildlife is dependent on water and affected by climate change? Loads of fun children's activities and crafts available. Check out Facebook and Twitter for a new theme each season.
Various dates throughout the year	<b>Escape room – egg theft at Loch of the Lowes!</b> You have one hour to recover the stolen osprey eggs. Failure to do so will result in the failure of this year's nest. If you succeed, there may still be a chance for the eggs to hatch! £60 (suitable for 3 to 6 people).*†
<b>March</b>	
Sat 21 at 10am-2pm	<b>Dùn Coilich Community Woodland</b> Join our ranger and partners from the Heart of Scotland Forest Partnership for a day of tree planting. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required. Free event. Contact perthshireranger@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk to book.*
<b>April</b>	
Sat 4 at 10.30am-4pm	<b>Optics fair</b> A wide selection of binoculars and telescopes to try and buy, with expert advice from the Viking Optical representative.
Wed 8 and Wed 22 at 7pm-9pm	<b>People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch</b> Come along to a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
Fri 10 at 7pm-9pm	<b>Poole Harbour Osprey Reintroduction Project</b> Join Liv Cooper to learn more about the reintroduction of nesting ospreys on the south coast of England. Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*
Wed 15 and Wed 29 at 5.30am-7am	<b>Sunrise on the loch</b> Join us to view and chat about early morning activity on the loch with the chance to spot beavers, great crested grebes, displaying goldeneyes, ospreys and more. Hot drinks and a snack included! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
<b>May</b>	
Tues 5 at 8am-10am	<b>Spring birdsong walk</b> Discover the wonderful world of birdsong in the spring. Join the ranger for a morning walk along the woodland path to find out which birds are singing, what they are saying and how to identify common calls. Non-member £6, member £5.*†

Every Wed at 7pm-9pm	<b>People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch</b> Come along to a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
Sat 9 at 10.30am-4pm	<b>Scottish Badger Week celebrations</b> Join a representative from Scottish Badgers for an illustrated talk at 2pm. Try your hand at some badger detective work throughout the day – can you solve the crime?*
Sat 16 at 10.30am-4pm	<b>Optics fair</b> A wide selection of binoculars and telescopes to try and buy, with expert advice from the Viking Optical representative.
<b>June</b>	
Every Wed at 7pm-9pm	<b>People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch</b> Come along to a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
Sat 13 and Sun 14 at 10.30am-4pm	<b>Big Wild Weekend – 30 Days Wild</b> Take part in this year's 30 Days Wild and join us for a weekend of wild activities – find out what lies beneath the loch and try your hand at building a mini beaver dam!
Sat 20 at 10am-1pm	<b>Wild Waters Week with the British Dragonfly Society</b> Join Andrea Hudspeth for an interesting morning learning about dragonflies and how you can help the endangered northern damselfly. The workshop includes a talk and outdoor practical session. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required. Free event.*†
<b>July</b>	
Every Wed at 7pm-9pm	<b>People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch</b> Come along to a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
Thu 9 at 10.30am-12.30pm	<b>Perth and District Beekeepers Association</b> Come along to find out why honey bees are so important. A drop-in session to view live bees and talk to the team with the chance to buy honey and see the bees that made it.
Tues 14 at 7.30pm-9.30pm	<b>Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels</b> Join your local Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels Conservation Officer for an illustrated presentation on Tayside's red squirrel population. Light refreshments provided. Free event.*
Tues 21 at 10.30am-3.30pm	<b>Garth Wood and Balchroich Meadow</b> Join our ranger and partners from the Heart of Scotland Forest Partnership for a day of conservation work. Help tackle encroaching bracken, explore the regenerative 'rewilding' project at Garth Wood and undertake some wildflower ID on the meadow at Keltneyburn. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required. Free event. To book contact perthshireranger@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk.*

Thurs 30 at 10am-3pm	<b>Schiehallion</b> Join our ranger and partners from the Heart of Scotland Forest Partnership for a day of bracken bashing and tree maintenance on the lower slopes of Schiehallion. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required. Free event. Contact perthshireranger@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk to book.*
<b>August</b>	
Wed 5 and Wed 12 at 7pm-9pm	<b>People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch</b> Come along to a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*†
Fri 21 at 7pm-9pm	<b>Moth night</b> Join us for a fascinating evening finding out about moths and come along the following morning to empty the trap to count and identify the moths. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and torch required. Non-member £8, member £6, child £3.*
Wed 26 at 7pm-8.30pm	<b>Polly Pullar – a life for animals</b> Join Polly – naturalist, wildlife rehabilitator and author – for an engaging talk about her love of nature and her experiences rehabilitating wildlife. Non-member £8, member £6, child £3.*
Fri 28 at 7pm-9pm	<b>Brilliant bats</b> Join us for a talk and a guided walk along the woodland path, and try out bat detecting! Outdoor clothing, walking boots and torch required. Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*
<b>September</b>	
Fri 11 at 7pm-9pm	<b>Pine martens in Perthshire</b> Join Adrian Davis of Wild Outdoor Scotland for an informative talk on one of Scotland's most elusive mammals: the pine marten. Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*
Sat 26 at 10.30am-2.30pm	<b>Fungi foray</b> Join expert Tony Wilson for this great opportunity to forage for, and identify, fungi species at Loch of Lowes Wildlife Reserve. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required. Non-member £8, member £6, child £3.*
<b>October</b>	
Sat 31 at 3.30pm-5.30pm; procession at 4.30pm	<b>Samhuinn – winter is coming</b> Join us to celebrate Halloween with a difference! Samhuinn (the Celtic New Year) marks the beginning of the journey into winter. Make masks and lanterns, and join in the twilight procession. Weather permitting, we will have a fire with hot drinks and marshmallow toasting. Child £5.*
<b>January 2021</b>	
Wed 20 at 10am-3pm	<b>An introduction to badger surveying</b> Join an expert from Scottish Badgers to learn the basics of surveying for badgers. An illustrated presentation and an outdoor practical session, where we can put our tracking skills to the test, is included. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch required.*

## How much does it cost?

Events are free of charge unless otherwise stated and normal visitor centre charges apply. We invite donations for our free events. If you join the Scottish Wildlife Trust today, entry to the visitor centre is free!

## Come prepared!

Please wear suitable outdoor clothing to children's events, outdoor events and walks; bring a torch to evening events. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the visitor centre unless otherwise stated. Walks subject to a minimum attendance being met.

## Don't miss out!

**Please note:** \* advance booking is essential for these events; † not suitable for children under 8. Book your place by phoning Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre on 01350 727 337, or visit [scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/events](http://scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/events)