



Guided Walks 2011

Hart District Council's Countryside Service runs a variety of walks throughout the summer at various sites within the district. Whether you are interested in wildlife, conservation and your local countryside or maybe you are just in need of a good walk, you will find something for you and your friends and family to enjoy.

Friday 15th July 2011 Life Nocturnal – Night jars, bats and more! Hazeley Heath 9:00pm. Meet at the pull-in opposite arrow lane on the B3011. Join Ranger Leigh to explore the night life of a heathland. Please bring torches.

There will be a charge for this walk of £2 per adult and £1 per child. Payable on the day.

Saturday 30th July 2011 Rangers ramble Elvetham Heath LNR - 10:00am Meet by the village pond, Elvetham Heath, just past Morrison's supermarket. (Grid ref. for meeting point SU 801554) Join Ranger Duke Banfield, on an exploration of the reserve seeking out its wildlife.

Saturday 6th August 2011 Grazing and heathland walk Hazeley Heath SPA – 10:00am Meet at the pullin opposite arrow lane on the B3011. Join Grazing Ranger Laura Keighly on a walk to look at the two grazing plots on the heath as she highlights the benefits it is having on the flora and fauna.

Sunday 7th August 2011 Fleet Pond History Walk, past, present & future - 10:30 – 12:30pm Join Colin Gray, chairman of Fleet Pond Society on a walk to explore Fleet Pond's 1000 years of history, including its use as an ancient fishery and training ground for soldiers, its present condition and status as a Site of Special Scientific Interest, and what the future holds for Hampshire's largest freshwater lake. Duration: 1½ hours. All abilities welcome.

Donations to Fleet Pond Society & the Clear water campaign welcome.

Saturday 27th August 2011 Reptile walk Hazeley Heath SPA- 9:30 Meet at the pullin opposite arrow lane on the B3011. Join Ranger Leigh to learn more about the reptiles on your local heath.

Limited spaces, please email Leigh.Neville@hart.gov.uk or call 01252 623443 to book a place.

Tuesday 13th September 2011 Bat walk Elvetham Heath LNR - 7:00pm by the village pond, Elvetham Heath, just past Morrison's supermarket. (Grid ref. for meeting point SU 801554) Join Ranger Duke Banfield, on an evening bat walk to find out more about bats and which ones are using your nature reserve after dark. The walk should take about one to one and a half-hours, if you have a bat detector please bring it with you. All abilities welcome.

There will be a charge for this walk of £2 per adult and £1 per child. Payable on the day.

September 2011 Bird Walk at Fleet pond **Date & details to be confirmed.**

September 2011 Bat walk Fleet Pond SSSI – 7pm **Date & details to be confirmed.**

Join the Fleet pond ranger to find out more about bats and which ones are using your reserve after dark.

There will be a charge for this walk of £2 per adult and £1 per child. Payable on the day.

Saturday 15th October 2011 Fungi walk Elvetham Heath LNR - 10:00am Meet by the village pond, Elvetham Heath, just past Morrison's supermarket. (Grid ref. for meeting point SU 801554) Join Duke Banfield, Elvetham Heath Ranger, on a walk at Elvetham Heath Local Nature Reserve to find out more about our local mushrooms and toadstools (fungi). Please note this walk is aimed at beginners and we will not be picking or removing any fungi from the site.

There will be a charge for this walk of £2 per adult and £1 per child. Payable on the day.

Saturday 22nd October 2011 Fungi Walk Odiham Common SSSI – 10:00 am

As a full fungi survey is carried out this year on the Common why not join Ranger Steve to see what it has started to reveal. Meet by the recycle bins at Colt Hill Wharf, Old London Road, Odiham. Walk will take approx. 2.5 hours. Please wear good footwear and warm waterproof coats.

There will be a charge for this walk of £2 per adult and £1 per child. Payable on the day.

Please note walks maybe cancelled at short notice due to bad weather. Under 16 year olds should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please wear good outdoor footwear and bring warm waterproof clothing.

For more information about the walks please contact the Countryside Rangers on 01252 623443, or via email on; countryside@hart.gov.uk