

**From:** contact@selbornesociety.org.uk  
**Sent date:** 01/03/2018 - 19:38  
**To:** david.bender@btinternet.com  
**Subject:** March - and plans for the year are developing ...



## The Selborne Society Bulletin

March 2018

We are gearing up for 2018, and there are some exciting prospects .... you'll see that Secretary Andy Pedley is due to give a presentation about the Selborne Society to the RSPB London Group on Thursday 8th March; of course Andy's been associated with the Society since the 1990s and Secretary since 2009, so has found a bit out about it .... he promises that the talk will be comprehensive but interesting, and hopefully will answer questions like why we are named after a village in Hampshire, and how we came to own Perivale Wood. The venue is St Colomba's Church, Knightsbridge, and there is a charge - if you can not make it don't worry, as Andy will do a repeat as one of our evening meetings in November 2018.

We are also intending to host some workshops with the Field Study Council later in the year, a part of their "[Learn to Love](#)" series - courses will only be £5.00 and are intended to develop interest and expertise, with the opportunity to learn more in later courses.

### Future Events

**Sat 3 Mar 2pm**      **'An Introduction to the Lower Plants'. How to understand the purpose of and identify mosses, liverworts and lichens. Field meeting at Perivale Wood - John Wells will start with some slides in the Bluebell Centre and then lead us through the reserve**

- Tue 6 Mar 7.45pm** Dr Poppy Lakman from the Open Air Laboratory (OPAL) will speak about their programme of Citizen Science and, at the beginning of the surveying season, tell us of their latest programmes and chances to take part
- Sat 10 Mar 2pm** Rangers - find out about woodland birds and nesting. Lots of things to learn, do and see!
- Sun 11 10am** Conservation management  
**Mar**
- Tue 27 10am** Conservation management  
**Mar**
- Sat 7 Apr 2pm** Spring flowers - Nic Ferriday will lead a walk to find and discuss flowering plants in the reserve
- Sat 14 Apr 2pm** Rangers - Sun and Bluebells. We will be looking at flower anatomy and making sun pictures
- Sun 15 10am** Conservation volunteers  
**Apr**
- Tue 17 Apr 7.30pm** AGM – in the Bluebell Centre of Perivale Wood Local Nature Reserve. Our most important meeting of the year, where our members review the finances, and the activities, for the year, and elect new members for the Society's Governing Council. All paid up members welcome
- Sat 21 Apr 10am** Open Day preparations – your help will be needed, please ... 10am set up commences, and finishes when we've finished. Volunteers welcome to put up gazebos, erect stalls and so much more!
- Sun 22 All day** Open Day ... the time to showcase the reserve to the public, promote the Society's work, and recruit new members! Volunteers will be needed to staff stalls, steward the event, and so on!  
**Apr**
- Tue 24 Apr 10am** Conservation volunteers

All events are held at Perivale Wood Local Nature Reserve, 36-38 Sunley Gardens, Perivale, UB6 7PE unless stated otherwise.

## Mailings ...

The latest mailing is ready - it includes:

- [the latest Newsletter](#)
- flyers for the next two Coach Outings: [Selborne Village](#) - Wednesday May 9th; [Sir Harold Hillier Gardens](#) - Monday 13th August

- the [Nest Box Sponsorship Scheme form](#)
- the [full diary](#)

It should drop through your letterbox very soon if you still want paper copies, but for many of you, email is now the regular delivery method, and thank you for that, it saves paper, printing, labour and cost too of course.

If you do still receive paper copies you should find [this folded in with it](#), requesting you consider going to email only, though we are not discontinuing paper copies for those who want them.

## Open Day 2018

Will be **Sunday 22nd April 2018** - a week earlier than you may expect! Be warned!!

We will need your help for the set up on Saturday, running things on the day, and taking down in the late afternoon - but it's fun and not too much hard work!

[Email](#) to register your willingness, and thanks in advance.

We 'll be charging £1 entry for adults, and this year are not allowing dogs into the reserve.



**Perivale Wood  
MINI RANGERS**

- Termly sessions for 3-5 year olds and their parents/carers
- Forest school and nature themed sessions
- Monday 10.00-12.00 (snack provided)
- At Perivale Wood ([www.perivalewood.org.uk](http://www.perivalewood.org.uk))
- Spring 1: starts Monday 19th February and runs weekly for six weeks until Monday 26th March
- Block booking £ 59.90 (6 sessions)
- For more information/booking contact [info@forestcorner.org](mailto:info@forestcorner.org)

*Join us for some guaranteed out door fun and learning!*

*Dirt digging, mud making!*

*The art of trees*

*Mini beast hunting*

Forest Corner in association with the Science Society for Perivale Wood Education. Reg. Charity No. 247495

Perivale Wood EDUCATION

Forest Corner FOR THE LOVE OF NATURE

## Ecology and Conservation Studies Society

Again have their free public lecture series in February and March; Friday Evenings, 6:30 pm - full information from [here](#)

The Lectures are at Birkbeck College, University of London, convenient for the Central Line (Tottenham Court Road Station) or the Hammersmith and City Line (Euston Square). The topic is The World and Nature of Fungi, and the dates are 9th Feb to 16th March.

**RSPB London Group**

**Interested in helping us run Perivale Wood?**

Have a series of talks - they are on Thursday evenings at 6.45pm, as follows:

8th Mar 2018 The Selborne Society:  
Pioneers in Conservation by Andy Pedley, Selborne Society.

12th Apr 2018 Creation of the Ouse Fen Nature Reserve by RSPB Senior Project Manager for the Hanson-RSPB Wetland Project at the Ouse Fen Reserve.

10th May 2018 'FaB Peregrines' – A London Peregrine's Year by Nathalie Mahieu, Fulham & Barnes Peregrines.

The venue is St Columba's Church Hall, Pont St, Knightsbridge SW1X 0BD.

There is a fee charged, but the meetings are open to all whether or not members of the RSPB. More information from [here](#).

Why not join our team of wonderful conservation volunteers who help to maintain Perivale Wood in tip top condition. We work on the 2nd Sunday of each month, 10am till about 1pm and on the 4th Tuesday of each month, same times. Bring a packed lunch.

All Welcome - just turn up! Tools, gloves, tea, biscuits, good company and fun all included!

## Spawn Survey

Froglife have organised their annual [Spawn Survey](#) (its a bit like the Big Garden Birdwatch, but wetter!); do please help! Wonderful bit of Citizen Science, and really helps understand what is happening to our amphibian populations, which are important parts of the food web!



<https://www.facebook.com/SelborneSociety>



<https://twitter.com/SelborneSoc>

*Copyright Â©2018 The Selborne Society Ltd, All rights reserved.*

You are - or were - a member of the Selborne Society, or one of our other contacts!

**Our mailing address is:**

The Selborne Society Ltd  
36 Ferrymead Gardens  
Greenford,  
Middlesex, Middlesex UB6 9NF  
United Kingdom

[Add us to your address book](#)

Want to change how you receive these emails?  
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#)

