

## WELCOME TO THE RSPB LINCOLN LOCAL GROUP

**INDOOR MEETINGS** start at 7.30 pm in the Robert Hardy Building, Bishop Grosseteste University, Longdales Road, Lincoln LN1 3DY. Admission charges: £4 for RSPB members and students, £5 for members of the public, free for children accompanied by an adult.

**COACH TRIPS & HOLIDAYS** must be booked in advance with Mike Willey T: 01526 321917. Sunday trips depart from Buildbase, Canwick Road, Lincoln LN5 8HG. By kind permission of Buildbase, you may, at your risk, leave cars free of charge in the Buildbase car park. Packed lunches are required on most trips. An adult must accompany children. You can book one free coach seat for a child (under 16) for each adult seat you pay for but any admission charges will still apply.

**Nature Reserve Facilities** are shown as follows:  
C = Café, H = Hides, NT = Nature Trail, S = Shop,  
VC = Visitor Centre, WC = Toilets.

**RSPB Wildlife Explorers and RSPB Phoenix Groups** for children and teenagers hold regular meetings at Boston, West Kesteven and Whisby.

### EVERY MONTH

**FREE GUIDED WALKS 'Birdwatching for All'** on the first Sunday of every month. Meet outside the Visitor Centre, Hartsholme Country Park, Skellingthorpe Road, Lincoln LN6 0EY at 10.30 am. Everyone welcome. Warm clothing and suitable footwear are required for winter months. The walks can last up to 2 hours.

### JANUARY

**13 INDOOR MEETING Wildlife of Derbyshire & the Peak District** by **Paul Hobson** (www.paulhobson.co.uk). Sponsored by Carol Harvey in memory of her husband Alan Harvey.

**15 - 17 THREE DAYS in LANCASHIRE** visiting RSPB Marshside, RSPB Leighton Moss and WWT Martin Mere. £175 in a double or twin room or £215 in a single room. Cost includes all coach travel, entry to the WWT and two nights half board at the Preston Leyland Hotel. Deduct £10 from the above prices if you will have a valid WWT membership card at the time of travel. Cancellation insurance is *not* included.

**28 - 30 BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH** The RSPB's nationwide event. See the winter issue of *Nature's Home* magazine or contact RSPB HQ T: 01767 680551.

### FEBRUARY

**10 INDOOR MEETING Sri Lanka & India: Birds & Tigers** by **Ian Newton** (www.iannewtonphotography.com). Sponsored by a Group member who wishes to remain anonymous.

**20 COACH TRIP to RSPB Fairburn Ings.** Leave Lincoln 8.30 am. Leave reserve 4.30 pm. Adults £23. H, NT, S, VC, WC.

### MARCH

**10 INDOOR MEETING Wild Travels in the UK** by **Steve Rowland, RSPB Area Manager for Lincolnshire & Norfolk.** Sponsored by London Camera Exchange, Lincoln.

**20 COACH TRIP to NWT Holme Dunes.** Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £30. Price includes a £3.50 permit charge. C, H, NT, VC, WC.

**26 AFTERNOON VISIT to Mike's local patch.** The first of three visits to see the wildlife at different seasons of the year. Meet at 2 pm in the Royal Oak car park, Brookside, Scopwick LN4 3PA.

### APRIL

**14 INDOOR MEETING It's a Wonderful World - Look and You Will See: Costa Rica Wildlife** by **Mike Catchpole.** Sponsored by Michael Carter Travel.

**24 COACH TRIP to RSPB Middleton Lakes.** Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £27. C, NT, VC, WC.

### MAY

**8 - 11 FOUR DAYS IN SOMERSET** visiting NNR Shapwick Heath, RSPB Ham Wall, NT Horner Wood and WWT Slimbridge (Gloucestershire). The cost of £295 per person in a double or twin room or £390 in a single room includes all coach travel, entry to the WWT and three nights half board at the Walnut Tree Hotel, North Petheron. Deduct £10 from the above prices if you will have a valid WWT membership card at the time of travel. Cancellation insurance is *not* included.

**12 INDOOR MEETING Photographing Local Wildlife** by **Graham Mumby-Croft and Peter Skelson.** Sponsored by Group members who wish to remain anonymous.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** The Group's AGM will be held at 9 pm following the talk and break. Free admission from 8.45 pm for people only attending the AGM.

**14 AFTERNOON VISIT to Forestry England Chambers Farm Wood,** Market Rasen LN8 5JR. Good for birds and butterflies including the rare marsh fritillary butterfly. Meet at 1 pm in the car park.

**15 COACH TRIP to YWT Potteric Carr.** Ninety-six species of birds are known to have bred on the reserve including woodland birds and waterfowl. A good reserve to see all three species of woodpeckers, bitterns, kingfishers, etc. Leave Lincoln 8.30 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £24. Deduct £3 from the price if you will have a valid Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust membership card at the time of travel. C, H, NT, VC, WC.

### JUNE

**12 COACH TRIP to RSPB Strumpshaw Fen.** A good reserve to see swallowtail butterflies. Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £31. H, NT, VC, WC.

**25 AFTERNOON VISIT to Mike's local patch.** The second of three visits to see the wildlife at different seasons of the year. Meet at 2 pm in the Royal Oak car park, Brookside, Scopwick LN4 3PA.

### JULY

**10 COACH TRIP to NT Wicken Fen.** Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £37. Deduct £7.75 from the above price if you will have a valid National Trust membership card at the time of travel. C, NT, S, VC, WC.

### AUGUST

**14 COACH TRIP to Rodley Nature Reserve.** A wetland reserve close to the River Aire and a top spot for dragonflies. Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £27. H, VC, WC.

**19 - 21 BIRDFAIR 2022 at Rutland Water.** At the time of printing it is not known if this will take place. Please check before travelling. Details from the Events Team at The Lodge, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2DL. T: 01767 680551.

## SEPTEMBER

**8 INDOOR MEETING Argentina to Antarctica - With Albatrosses** by **Steve Cale**. Sponsored by Margaret Lunn in memory of her husband Vic Lunn.

**11 COACH TRIP to NWT Cley Marsh.** Autumn migration will be well underway at this time of the year. Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £34. Price includes a £5 admission charge. C, H, VC, WC.

## OCTOBER

**13 INDOOR MEETING Great British Birds** by **Ashley Grove** ([www.ashleygrovewildimages.co.uk](http://www.ashleygrovewildimages.co.uk)). Sponsored by Shirley Warner in memory of her husband Peter Warner.

**15 NATIONAL AGM AND MEMBERS' DAY.** See the winter issue of *Nature's Home* magazine for venue and time or contact RSPB HQ T: 01767 680551.

**16 COACH TRIP to YWT Spurn Nature Reserve.** Leave Lincoln 8 am. Leave reserve 5 pm. Adults £27. C, H, NT, VC, WC.

**22 AFTERNOON VISIT to Mike's local patch.** The final visit to see the wildlife at different seasons of the year. Meet at 2 pm in the Royal Oak car park, Brookside, Scopwick LN4 3PA.

## NOVEMBER

**10 INDOOR MEETING Point Pelée: Jewel of Southern Canada** by **Graham Catley**. Sponsored by Just Audi VW.

**20 COACH TRIP to Idle Valley** for a good selection of woodland and water birds. Leave Lincoln 8.30 am. Leave reserve 4 pm. Adults £17. C, H, VC, WC.

## DECEMBER

**8 INDOOR MEETING End of the Year Show.** Details available in September. Sponsored by Janette Marshall in memory of her parents, Eileen and John White.

**11 COACH TRIP to Carsington Water, including a 3-course Christmas dinner.** A great reserve and a great way to finish the year with a Christmas dinner. Leave Lincoln 8 am. We will depart for home after the 3 course Christmas dinner, which will be served at 3.30 pm in the Mainsail Restaurant. Adults £46. Please

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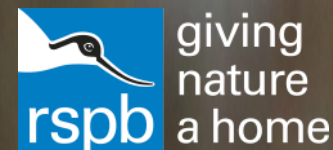
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**Lincoln Local Group website: [lincolnrspb.org.uk](http://lincolnrspb.org.uk)**

#### HALF-PRICE INTRODUCTORY OFFER

For people who have never been on one of the Group's Sunday coach trips. Book your first Sunday trip at half price. Phone Mike for details: T: 01526 321917.

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## Lincoln Local Group Programme of Events for 2022

Marsh Harrier by Neil Roberts, RSPB Lincoln Local Group



A varied programme of events for you to enjoy including indoor meetings, field meetings, coach trips, holidays and free guided walks



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