# **Tuesday 19th August**

## Family Bike Ride & Nature Reserve Walk

Come and join this family cycle where we will be looking at what wildlife we can see across Morecambe Bay. Starting at the Midland Hotel in Morecambe, this mainly flat route will lead to Heysham Nature Reserve for a picnic and a stroll, followed by returning to The Midland Hotel for an ice cream! Meet at The Midland Hotel. Morecambe. Bring a packed lunch.

10.30am start roughly finishing at 2.30pm

To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

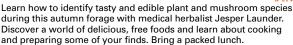
01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost: Free

Location: Meet on Promenade outside Midland Hotel, Morecambe

## Sunday 7th September

## Wild Food Foray with Jesper Launder



10am-2pm

To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost: Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve,

Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## **Tuesday 9th September**

# Introduction to Scything with Steve Tomlin

Steve Tomlin teaches gentle no-impact mowing, based on tai-chi and suitable for everyone. Whether you've an orchard, meadow, allotment or just a small lawn the scythe will turn 'cutting the grass' from a chore into an event you look forward to. Booking essential. Bring a packed lunch, tea/coffee and biscuits provided.

9am-5pm

To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org. Contact:

01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## Friday 26th September

## **Bat Evening Talk and Walk**



Local expert, Gail Armstrong, will be delivering an exciting talk followed by hunting for bats on Heysham Nature Reserve, armed with detectors. Gail may even bring in some of her bats to have a closer look at!

6pm-7.30pm

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01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## Saturday 25th October

## Introduction to Bryophytes with Martha Newton

Dr. Martha Newton is one of the country's leading field bryologists (moss and liverwort expert) who will be delivering an educational training day on these ecologically important plants at Heysham Nature Reserve. Bring a packed lunch.

10.30am-3pm

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01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## Saturday 26th October and Sunday 16th November

## **Woodland Work Party**

Come along and spend a few hours doing practical work, helping to open up an area of woodland. It's a great way to meet new people, learn new skills and get a bit of exercise. Bring a packed lunch and plenty to drink. Tools and protective equipment provided. Meet at Heysham Nature Reserve car park, Please pre-book,

10.30am-3.30pm

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01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## **Saturday 22nd November**

## Family Den Building



Build a shelter in the woods and test your family's survival skills! Learn how to build dens out of natural materials. Bring a drink and a snack.

10.30am-12.30pm

To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve,

Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

### Saturday 29th November

#### **Green Woodwork Course**

Members of The Coppice Co-op will be teaching people either how to make hurdles or carve spoons. Wear suitable clothing and bring a packed lunch. All tools provided. Booking essential.

Time: 10 am- 3pm

Contact: To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

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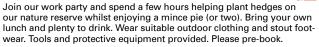
Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve,

Money Close Lane, Hevsham, LA3 2UW

## Sunday 7th December 10.30am- 3.30pm

## **Hedge Planting Work Party**



Time: 10.30am- 3.30pm

Contact: To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW



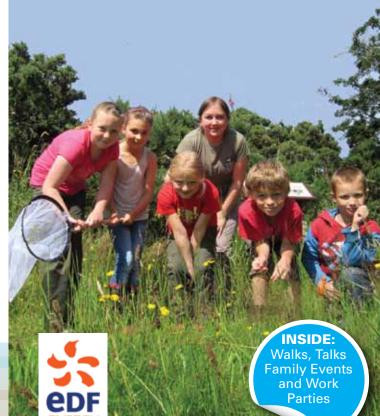
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# **Heysham**Nature Reserve

Join in and connect to nature! Events 2014







# **Heysham**Nature Reserve

**Heysham Nature Reserve consists of a captivating** mosaic of habitats from reedbed and open water to grassland, lowland heath, scrub and developing woodland. The reserve runs down to the edge of Morecambe Bay at Red Nab, an internationally important feeding ground for wintering wildfowl and waders including Curlew, Knot, Ovstercatchers and Redshank.

The inland northern end of the reserve is designated as a Biological Heritage Site (BHS). In spring and summer the grasslands are carpeted with wildflowers from early Cowslips to Bee and Common Spotted Orchid. Twenty species of butterfly are regularly recorded here, including Small Skipper, Small Copper and Common Blue.

# **Connecting to Nature**

Connecting to Nature is an exciting new project sponsored by EDF Energy. It aims to offer more opportunities for the local community to enjoy the outdoors and discover some of the amazing wildlife that Morecambe Bay and the Heysham Nature Reserve are home to. Whether you want to take a quiet stroll around the Nature Reserve, come along to our wildlife weekend or learn a new skill we hope you will find something to enjoy. You can also explore electricity at the Heysham Visitor Centre.

If you would like to be kept up to date with news and events at Heysham please contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812.

## **Event Guidance**

- Events at Hevsham Nature Reserve are located on Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW.
- · Some events are not suitable for children, please check about restrictions. Children should be accompanied by an adult at all events.
- · Wear suitable outdoor clothing and stout footwear.

# What's On...

Saturday 12th July

## Wildlife Weekend at **Heysham Nature Reserve**

Explore, hunt, create and discover whilst helping us celebrate the summer. There will be plenty of family fun to be had, including bug hunting and pond dipping, as well as other craft activities. Refreshments provided.

Time: 11am-3pm

Contact: For more information contact Eve Grayson on

egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham,

LA3 2UW

## Friday 25th July

## **Family Butterfly Walk**

Join Hillary Smith from Butterfly Conservation on this family event as she guides us around Heysham Nature Reserve looking for and identifying butterfly species found on the reserve.

3pm-4.30pm

Contact: For more information contact Eve Grayson on

egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

Saturday 26th July

## **Print Workshop with Julia Swarbrick**

Visual artist, Julia Swarbrick, will be delivering this workshop in which she will show how to create prints from a variety of materials, inspired by the wildlife and scenery of Heysham Nature Reserve. The day will begin with a short walk around the reserve to gain ideas and inspiration, followed by indoor print making and printing. All tools provided. Booking essential. Bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee provided.

9.30am-3.30pm

For more information contact Eve Grayson on Contact:

egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve, Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## Saturday 2nd August

## **Introduction to Landscape Photography** with Colin Reynolds

A study day for beginners wishing to learn more about photography in the outdoors. Join professional landscape photographer, Colin Reynolds, for an enlightening one-day workshop focussing on techniques used to expertly photograph the nature reserve and the coastal scenery. Booking essential. Bring camera and lunch.

9.30am-4pm

Contact: For more information contact Eve Gravson on

egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Meet in car park, Heysham Nature Reserve,

Money Close Lane, Heysham, LA3 2UW

## **Sunday 3rd August**

## **Rock Pool Ramble at Half Moon Bay**

Come along and explore the rocky shore of Half Moon Bay on a guided family rock pool ramble. Wear wellies and waterproofs or other sturdy footwear you don't mind getting wet!

Time: 9.45am- 12.00pm

For more information contact Eve Grayson on

egrayson@lancswt.org.uk, 01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Location: Meet at Half Moon Bay car park off Smithy Lane, above

Half Moon Bay. SD 408 607.

## Thursday 7th August

## **SOUP by Mandy Barker at Heysham Library**

SOUP is a description given to plastic debris suspended in the sea, and with particular reference to the mass accumulation that exists in an area of The North Pacific Ocean known as the Garbage Patch. Contemporary photographer, Mandy Barker, is delivering an informative talk during National Marine Week about her current series of work 'SOUP' which has achieved international recognition. Booking essential.

7pm-9pm

Contact: To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

01524 855030 or 07717 366812

Cost:

Location: Heysham Library

## Sunday 10th August

# Whale & Dolphin Watch

Join us as we carry out a survey to help develop an understanding of where whales, dolphins and porpoises hang out in our waters, in collaboration with the Sea Watch Foundation and Cumbria Wildlife Trust. If you plan on staying for the full duration, bring something to eat and drink, as well as binoculars if you have them. Just turn up.

9.30am-1.30pm

Contact: Contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

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Location: Parking towards the end of the North Harbour Wall, Port of Heysham, Lancashire, (nearest post code: LA3 2XH).

Grid reference: SD 396 601. Follow the signs down the

harbour wall to the watch.

### **Tuesday 12th August**

## Wildflower Seed Gather

Help gather wild flower seed and learn more about the importance of meadows for wildlife, followed by seed spreading demonstration in the afternoon at Heysham Nature Reserve. Part of the Morecambe Bay Nature Improvement Area meadow restoration project. Bring a packed lunch. Please pre-book and share lifts where possible.

10.30am

Contact: To book contact Eve Grayson on egrayson@lancswt.org.uk,

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Cost:

Location: Heysham Nature Reserve Car Park















