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The partnership includes; Ashford Borough Council, Bumblebee Conservation Trust, Kent and Medway Biological Records Centre, Visit Kent, Natural England, Kent County Council, Romney Resource Centre, Rother District Council, The MACH, Romney Marsh Countryside Project, RSPB, Shepway District Council, Sussex Wildlife Trust, Environment Agency, The Diocese of Canterbury and Romney Marsh Area Internal Drainage Board.



# ROMNEY MARSH

RECORDERS

Wildlife Events Programme  
**2019**

**COME AND FIND OUT ABOUT RECORDING**  
 Ivychurch Village Hall | Saturday 27th April | 11.00 - 3.00

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**Drop in event at Ivychurch Village Hall**  
**Saturday 27th April 11-3**

Pop in for a chat and a piece of cake to find out what wildlife recording is all about. By getting involved you'll learn more about the wildlife around you and how the plants and animals you see can be vitally

important. Plus get out in the fresh air with like-minded people and explore new areas of Romney Marsh. No prior knowledge necessary, open to all.

Or are you already doing some recording? We'd love you to come and tell us about it. Would you like to visit some new places?

Plus get access to new equipment and resources.

**MONTHLY RECORDING TASK DAYS**  
**2nd Monday Of The Month**

Each month we will visit a different site around the Marsh and record as many plants

and animals as we can. Training will be given and at each visit we will focus on a different species group, some sessions will be based on a single site whilst others will take the form of a gentle stroll.

In addition to this regular programme there is a series of special events where you can learn more about specific groups from experts in their fields.

**WILDLIFE EVENTS PROGRAMME 2019**

DATE	EVENT	COURSE DETAILS	LOCATION	FURTHER INFORMATION	LEADER
Ongoing	Seaweeds Exhibition	This exhibition will be open to the public from February 2019 onwards and will give visitors the chance to learn a bit more about the seaweeds we find around the coast of Kent and learn how they have been used for centuries to make everything from medicines and other health care products through to food items.	Romney Marsh Visitor Centre	Open to all	Ian Tittley
12/05/19	Overlooked Mammals of Kent	This event will be a mix of field work to survey the site for mammals using specialist humane trapping techniques to allow us to capture, study and then re-release before moving into the classroom to learn more about our native small mammal species and help develop ID skills.	Romney Marsh Visitor Centre	Age 16+ Spaces strictly limited	Jon Bramley
17/06/19	Plant Identification for Beginners	A day for those who would like to begin identifying wild flowers. Participants will learn basic tips to help them recognise some of the main plant families and how to identify some of the flower species that they see around Romney Marsh. No prior knowledge is required.	St Peter & Paul Newchurch	Age 16+	Lesley Mason
29/06/19	Medicinal Leeches	Join us for a chance to learn more about these wonderful but underappreciated creatures who have made the Romney Marshes their home. Have a go at pond dipping and see what else we can find.	Romney Marsh Visitor Centre	Suitable for all ages, children must be with a responsible adult.	Dr Phil Wilkin
05/07/19	An Introduction to Habitat Survey and Assessment	This course aims to provide an introduction to habitat survey and assessment methodologies with a particular focus on neutral grassland habitats. Participants will learn about key indicator plants that can assist surveyors in the recognition of neutral grassland types and in the assessment of their condition.	Visit the website for location details	Suitable for adults with previous botanical recording experience including experienced amateur plant recorders and graduate ecologists looking to develop their field survey skills	Lesley Mason
07/07/19	Kent Field Club Walk	A walk along the Royal Military Canal to record as much of the wildlife as possible	Kenardington	Open to all with an interest in wildlife recording	Stan Smith
14/07/19	A wildlife walk along the Royal Military Canal	Join us for a gentle stroll along a section of the Royal Military Canal to learn a little more about the creatures that have made the canal their home.	Kenardington to Warehorne – stop at Woolpack inn	Suitable for all ages but participants will be walking around 2-3km in total at a gentle pace	Stephanie D'Agorne of Romney Marsh Countryside Partnership
30/07/2019	Batty about Bats!	Come and join us for a fun few hours of bat based crafts and activities designed to introduce young children to the wonderful bats we are so fortunate to have in Kent.	St George Ivychurch	Ages 0-11 with accompanying adult. Drop-in throughout the day	Shirley Thompson/ KMBRC staff
12/08/19	Life IN the Shingle: the International Importance of Dungeness	A talk on the varied and interesting invertebrates that make Dungeness their home.	EDF visitor centre Dungeness	Age 16+	John Badmin
30/08/19	Family nature crafts	A fun day out for families with young children, with craft activities and bug hunting	St Nicholas's Church - New Romney	Ages 0-11 with accompanying adult. Drop-in throughout the day	KMBRC staff
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