

Birding

Please ensure you ring the Leader if planning to attend and cancel explicitly if you need to do so. Meet at site at time stated. **Bring lunch, if desired. Bring RSPB /YWT card** where appropriate. More details and directions from Leader.

Sat May 6th **Staveley Nature Reserve**
Meet/park in reserve car park, SE369630, 10am.
Leader: David Smith - 07773 716930

Sat May 20th **Timble Ings**
Meet/park Sourby Old Farm, SE167530 (please wait to be directed into farmyard by farm owners), 10am.
Leader: Derek Parkin, 01943 864036

Thur June 15th **Bempton Cliffs**
Meet/park in reserve car park, TA197739, 11am.
Leader: Nigel Steels, 07794 992189

Improve Your Skills

Sun May 7th **Improve Your Skills—Butterflies**
Meet Stainburn Forest SE225506, at 12.30pm.
Focus on whites and possible green hairstreak.
Limited parking—please contact Leader: Nyree Fearnley - 07811 066971 ahead of time.

Sun May 14th **Improve Your Skills—Birdsong Dawn Chorus Walk**
Meet Ilkley Swimming Pool CP, SE118484, 5am.
Places limited—please call ahead to reserve yours. Please bring binoculars if you have them.
Leader: Helen Steward - 07760 883865.

Sat May 20th **Improve Your Skills—Beginners' Botany**
Meet/park St Peter's Church Gates, Addingham, SE084498, 10am. If possible, please bring magnifying glass/hand lens. Leader Ian Brand. 07854 888206.

Sat Aug 5th **Improve Your Skills—Butterflies**
Sun Lane NR, SE158464, 1pm. Good for variety of species. Leader: Nyree Fearnley - 07811 066971. Bring binoculars.

Recorders — your sightings to the following please

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- **Fungi - Andy Woodall - 07725 819326**
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Paul Millard - 01756 720490 -
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ALL BUTTERFLY RECORDS TO NYREE, PLEASE

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Hoverflies - Ken Limb - 01943 876419
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Ladybirds - Anne Riley - 01943 862916
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468176- naturefind@clerk54.plus.com

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Founded 1945 Member of the Yorkshire Naturalists' Union
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Tuesday Evening Nature Walks

(easy walking, experts on hand; usually 2 – 3 miles maximum)

Meet at 7-00pm unless otherwise stated

May 2 Barden and Strid Wood

Meet at Barden Bridge SE052574
Leader: Ros Lilley - 07956 003498

May 9 Woodland Warble

Meet/park Heber's Ghyll SE099472 **NB Some steep climbing!** Leader: Karen Shackleton - 07790 707419

May 23 Botany, Banter and Beer—Burley Tree Walk

Meet/park Burley Roundhouse in Grange Park, SE166463. Afterwards, there will be an opportunity for a social drink in the Red Lion, Burley. Leader: Bruce Brown - 01943 467519

June 6 Fewston Reservoir

Meet Swinsty Moor Car Park SE187537
Leaders: Peter and Anne Riley - 01943 862916

June 13 High Royds, Menston

Meet/park car park at top of Guiseley Drive, SE176428. Leader: Andrew Kelly - 07506 173738

June 20 Calverley Woods

Meet/park Apperley Bridge, car park by sports ground on north bank of Aire, just off A658 at SE196379. Opportunity for social drink afterwards. Leader: Andy Woodall - 07725 819326

July 4 Botany, Banter and Beer II

Short walk up Burley Moor, with visit to Ian's fernery. Optional visit to The Hermit pub afterwards. Meet: junction of Moor Lane (road up from Burley village) with Moor Road. Parking around the green. SE 153452. Leader Ian Brand - 07854 888206.

Summer Visits

Bring lunch if required.



May 30 (Tues)

Butterflies in South Cumbria

Exact sites to be decided later in light of latest information about best sites! Please contact Nyree Fearnley on 07811 066971 by **7th May at the latest** if you wish to come. Beginners welcome. Led by Chris Winnick.

June 10 (Sat)

The Birds of Ilkley Moor

Joint event with Friends of Ilkley Moor
A guided walk to discover the birds of Ilkley Moor.
Meet and park at White Wells car park SE115470 10am - 1pm. Leader: Tracy Gray - 07780 535860

July 8th (Sat)

Threshfield Quarry Butterfly Walk

Meet/park at 10.30am by the quarry entrance, SD981638. Target species: Northern Brown Argus, Common Blue, Small Heath, and Dark Green Fritillary. Leader Nyree Fearnley 07811 066971.

July 11 (Tues)

Rodley Nature Reserve

Meet 10am at Reserve SE228363
Leaders: Peter and Barbara Murphy - 01132930188

July 15 (Sat)

The Geology of Crummack Dale

Meet/Park at Austwick School, SD768686, 1.30pm. Uphill section at start of the walk (up~50m in the first 1/2km) - we can ferry anyone wanting a lift up this section. We expect to return to Austwick village for around 5.30pm—optional continuation of discussion in the Game Cock Inn.
Leaders: Rob Knipe (07713 838975) and Nick Shaw.



Botany (Thursdays) Please car-share if possible - ring Bruce, or meet at venue. Bring packed lunch. Boots /wellies usually advisable. More details/directions from Bruce - 01943 467519

Apr 20 Denton Hall—Hundwith Beck Survey

Meet 10am CP behind Coach House SE1465 4880 Leader: Sue Stevens

May 4 Hazlewood and Kex Beck area

Meet 10am Hill End, on side road off A59 SE095541
Leaders: Heather Burrow and Sarah Ward

May 11 Bolton Abbey Estate—Pickles Gill Survey

Meet 10am Cavendish CP SE078551
Hopefully, no parking fee, show 'Wharfedale Nats' programme. Leader: Mark Jeffery, Forester BAE.

May 25 Kilnsey Park (Lady's Slipper Orchid site)

Meet 10.30am in main CP SD974676. Entry fee approx. £5.
Leaders: Nicky Vernon/Bruce Brown
Joint meeting with Bradford Botany Group

Jun 8 Ilkley Moor, near Cow and Calf

Meet 10am, Hangingstone Road layby, SE134464
Leader: Bruce Brown

Jun 15 Huby—Bogridge Farm survey

Meet 10am at farm SE256475. Approach along Gravelly Hill Lane.
Leader: Bruce Brown

Jul 13 Weybecks Pasture survey (N of Kilnsey Crag)

Meet 10am in layby near Arncliffe Road junction SD972689.
Leader: Bruce Brown

Jul 27 Arncliffe, North side

Meet 10am at village green SD931718
Leader: Carmen Horner

Aug 10 Malham—circular via Janet's Foss & Cove

Meet 10.15am in main CP SD900627
Leader: Bruce Brown

