



Butterfly Conservation

Saving butterflies, moths and their habitats



HERTFORDSHIRE & MIDDLESEX BRANCH

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Member's Day Saturday 24th March 2012

Indoor meeting venue: Welwyn Civic Centre, Welwyn, Hertfordshire

There will also be a branch photographic competition the full rules are below so please see what you can enter, there will be prizes!

1030 - 1200 Site visit to Sherrardspark Wood, Welwyn Garden City where the wood wardens will lead a walk to look at the work that has been done to encourage butterflies in this complex on the edge of Welwyn Garden City.

1230 - 1300 Branch AGM at Welwyn Civic Centre

1300 - 1400 Lunch - tea/coffee provided.

1400 - 1405 Welcome and Introduction

1405 - 1500 Martin Honey from the Natural History Museum talking about their Butterfly and Moth collections and resources

1500 - 1530 Paul Thrush from Hertfordshire & Middlesex Wildlife Trust speaking about the work the trust is undertaking for the benefit of butterflies on some of their reserves

1530 - 1600 Break tea and cakes

1600 - 1610 Herts & Middx Butterflies 2011 a brief review of the year's trends

1610 - 1615 Raffle and photo competition results

1615 - 1700 Member's photos and videos

1700 - 1705 Closing remarks

Photo competition rules:

50p entry fee per picture. No limit on the number of entries which can be made in the following categories:

- UK butterflies
- UK Moths
- Non UK butterflies and moths
- Moth/Butterfly behaviour
- Non adult stages

Entries to be un-mounted, printed on good quality photographic or inkjet paper and be between 7x5 inches and A4 size.

Entries should not have been digitally enhanced, apart from cropping/re-sizing.

All pictures must have been taken in the period Jan 1 2011 to March 21 2012.

Entries, with fee, to be sent to Andrew Wood Branch Chair, who will not be competing and whose decisions will be final, to be received by March 21 2012.

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Pictures will be numbered and displayed anonymously at the member's day, each attendee will get a voting form to vote for their favourite in each category.

The entrant must be a member of BC and photographs must be their own work.

Entries must be clearly labelled on the back with the entry category please do not add your name.

Entries will only be returned if an SAE is supplied, or in person at the Member's Day.

Copyright remains with the photographer, however by entering, entrants acknowledge that the Branch will be allowed to use any photograph (with accreditation) in branch publications and web pages.

Photographs must be of wild insects, not captive bred stock.

HOW TO GET TO THE MEMBERS' DAY

Morning Meeting Sherrardspark Wood (Welwyn Garden City)

Please have good footwear as the wood is steep in parts and paths may be muddy.

By Road

For the morning walk at Sherrardspark Wood the meeting place will be the Rectory Road car park (no charge for parking) by the Reservoir (TL227140)(AL8 7SU).

There is quite a bit of space for cars in this car park but it is used by dog walkers so can fill up easily and there is no overflow. There might be a case for parking at the Civic Centre first thing in the morning and then lift-sharing up to the Rectory Rd/Reservoir car park. Rectory Rd is a turning off the B197 which runs between the villages of Welwyn and Lemsford. This turning is on the opposite side of the road from the Red Lion pub and a couple of hundred metres before it, when travelling from Welwyn in the direction of Lemsford.

By Public Transport

Trains run from Kings Cross and Finsbury Park (Victoria and Piccadilly line interchange), Potters Bar and Hatfield to Welwyn Garden City 4 times an hour and from Royston, Baldock, Letchworth, (2 an hour) and from Hitchin and Stevenage 4 an hour.

The meeting point can be reached by walking through Sherrardspark Wood from Welwyn Garden City town centre via The Campus, Digswell Road and Sherrardspark Road and entering at the Roundwood entrance (about 1.5 miles).

Afternoon Meeting at Welwyn Civic Centre (This is in Welwyn not Welwyn Garden City)

By Road

Welwyn Civic Centre (TL232160) Prospect Place, Welwyn, Hertfordshire (AL6 9ER). Parking available.

By Public Transport

Trains run from Kings Cross and Finsbury Park (Victoria and Piccadilly line interchange), Potters Bar and Hatfield to Welwyn Garden City (4/hour) and from Royston, Baldock, Letchworth, (2/hour) and from Hitchin and Stevenage (4/hour).

At Welwyn Garden City Arriva 300/301 run to Welwyn Church 3 times an hour from the bus station (next to the Howard Centre) under 5 minutes walk from the railway station (in the Howard Centre). From Welwyn Church it is only 2/3 minutes walk back to the Civic Centre. This route also connects Welwyn to Hemel Hempstead, St Albans, Hatfield, and Stevenage at the same frequency up to 1800 hrs.

A Welwyn Garden City plusbus ticket purchased with a rail ticket will give full use of all bus journeys between Welwyn Garden City and Welwyn.

Please contact Andrew Wood (0776 5098824) or Liz Goodyear (0781 5581934) for any questions.

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