



The Selborne

Society Bulletin

April 2015

Whats on, whats happening, and what has happened ...with the Selborne Society and at the Perivale Wood Local Nature Reserve.

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This is a hugely important even for the Society, and it is really important that as many members as possible come. Please come if you possibly can! April 7th, 7:45pm, Greenford Community Centre; 170 Oldfield Lane South, Greenford, UB6 9JS Room 9, which is up the stairs.

The main event of the year and the moment when you, our members, are able to stand for election to the Society 's Governing Council, to tell us what you like, what you don't like. what you would like to see happening in the Society.

Please put the date in your diary and come It really is important!

The Annual Report can be downloaded [from here](#).

Progress with the new Education Centre



Continuing progress ... the Project team have been beavering away, this time with the benefit of two Strawworks Courses on Car Tyre Foundations; which brought expert Barabera Jones from Strawworks, to tutor (but also shovel gravel, ram tyres ... a VERY hands (and keep out of the way) approach to Training; as a result our foundations are about 99 % complete, and we hope to be finishing off by Easter.

Which is as well as the Carpenters are coming; they arrive on Tuesday, the 7th April,

and will start forming the floor slab? raft?? structure?? so the order was placed for the Materials with Chelsea Timber Merchants for nearly £6K of timber to make that!

The floor ought to be complete by Open Day, when Lord Selborne will be coming to "lay the first bale" with appropriate pezas, and then we are building the roof! this is at the bales need to be laid and kept dry, and a Scaffolding Canopy would cost £21K. It will take about 8 weeks to build the roof, which will be built on props. and then lowered later. Once that's done we'll get the bales delivered and start baling.

Most of this has been done by voluntary labour, and a massive thanks to all!

Fuller Story, more pictures: selbornesociety.wordpress.com.

What's on

The Society's activities for the next couple of months

Sat 4 Apr	2:00 PM	Perivale Wood	Nic Ferriday will lead our Field Meeting on the Wild Flowers of Perivale Wood.
Tue 7 Apr	7:45 PM	Greenford Community Centre	Our Annual General Meeting; NOT BORING, but an essential part of our Society's life ... setting policy and direction for the next year, electing Trustees, reviewing our Finances.
Sat 11 Apr	2:00 PM	Perivale Wood	Junior Section: Water around the reserve. The new pond.
Sun 12 Apr	10:00 AM	Perivale Wood	Conservation Management*
Sat 25 Apr	10:00 AM	Perivale Wood	Preparation for Open Day – we always need lots of help – erecting tents, preparing the trail, and generally getting ready – so if you can come for an hour or so, please do! Till about 4pm, or when we've finished!
Sun 26 Apr	10:00 AM to 4:00 pm	Perivale Wood	The Annual Open Day ... when we open the Reserve to the public to show off and share its wonders, to recruit new members. Bring Friends, family, colleagues, and of course yourself, and if you are able to help with refreshments, stewarding and so on, then turn up or let us know in advance.
Sat 2 Sun 3 May	2:00 4:00 AM	Perivale Wood	Adult Field Meeting - John Wells will walk us round the reserve, finding and indentifying plants and animals. INTERNATIONAL DAWN CHORUS DAY This is always a magical event, join us at 4am ... wrap up well! To walk quietly through the wood to the central clearing to listen to our wonderful bird population welcome the new day. Identification by expert Martin Smith. Followed by an optional short walk to the canal and perhaps beyond.
Sat 9 May	2:00 PM	Perivale Wood	Junior Section: May ... Wild Flowers; how many can you find; what are their names? Why are flowers important ... what will happen next?
Sun 10 May	10:00 AM	Perivale Wood	Conservation Management*
Sat 30 May	2:00 PM	Perivale Wood	Junior section: Little Wild Sleep Out, a repeat of last years hugely successful event, but this year we are joining with the Amateur Entomologists Society. More information will be distributed directly to Junior Members, or email contact@selbornesociety.org.uk . NB this is a ticketed event with limited places, and prebooking will be essential.

Sissinghurst Coach Outing

Our next outing will be to Sissinghurst on the 2nd June. Flier from [here](#) to book. Selborne Society Members and their guest only. only about 9 places left so book soon.

Perivale Wood Juniors

The Team are planning a session around bees for Saturday the 11th April ... including a bee themed walk, making seed bombs, and a taste of Perivale Wood Honey!

1.45 at the Reserve, the gate will be shut at 2pm, so be punctual!

Also bookings are now open for the Little Wild Sleep Out, on the 30th May 2015. This is a joint event with the Amateur Entomologists Society; places must be prebooked and are limited. Families will get a separate email with booking information, if you do not receive one then please email

contact@selbornesociety.org.uk

Open Day

26th April; approaching fast! We ve Lord Selborne who will lay the first bale for the Education Centre Building, and the Ealing Morris team will be dancing for us. Plus, of course, BLUEBELLS. wonderful.

We will need your help!! on the 25th, for set up, and on the 26th for Stewarding, making tea, and generally helping out. offers of help to contact@selbornesociety.org.uk will be gratefully received, as always!

you can download fliers to print out and put up (and colour in if you have time, or children!)

one to an A4 Sheet [a4](#)
2 x A5 on and A4 Sheet, [2xa5 on a4](#)
4 x A6 on an A4 sheet [4xa6 on a4](#)

Donations

We are very happy to accept donations towards the new building; payment can be made by cheque drawn to the Seborne Society Ltd and sent to 36 Ferrymead Gardens, Greenford, UB6 9NF the Society's Registered Office. If you are a UK taxpayer we can claim the tax back; there's a gift aid form [here](#) you can download and fill in.

We'll be setting up an on line donation page in the near future!



Lizzie,

Visitors to the Reserve will remember Lizzie, the big piebald mare who was with us last year. Sadly Lizzie died during the winter. We expect Fire, the Chestnut to join us after Open Day in May, hopefully with a couple of new friends.

Completed! we got the £1000 target and the cheque, received last week, is safely in the bank.

MASSIVE MASSIVE thanks to all who donated; but keep up Recycling, of course, and donate to one of the other worthy projects there are out there!

DOGS!

There have been a couple of incidents recently when a dog walker has been intercepted en route into the Reserve. As a Local Nature Reserve the presence of dogs is inappropriate, the land is private land owned and controlled by the Society, and the Society's Council ruled many years ago that dogs are not permitted. There is a Code of Conduct for the Reserve (on display at the Reserve and [download from here](#)). We do make an exception on Open Day but they must then be kept on short leads.

There are plenty of alternatives for dog walking, the canal tow path, Horsenden Hill, Perivale Park, to name but three.

Photography Course

On the 19th April the Reserve will be used by [Wildlife Photography Workshop](#) for a Course - so if you visit the Reserve that day then expect to find photographers photographing and please try not to cause disturbance so they have the best shot at getting a good shot!

If anyone is interested in future Courses, we hope they like the Reserve enough to come back and organise other courses and we'll make sure they are publicised amongst the Memberships.



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