



BEESTON WILDLIFE GROUP



Nottinghamshire
Wildlife Trust

OUR TALKS 2024-2025

VENUE Trent Vale Infant School, Trent Road, Beeston Rylands, Notts, NG9 1LP
TIME Mondays 7.30pm - 9.30pm
ADMISSION £4.00 Adults (Children free) - includes refreshments.
 Pay by cash or card on the door.

Sept 16th 2024

THE MAKING OF SPRINGWATCH 2

Jack Baddams

Jack is back to continue our behind the scenes look at the BBC Springwatch series. Enjoy videos of unseen footage and hear anecdotes about what really happens when the live show goes out. This talk is a must for those familiar with the programme and looking for an insight into life behind the camera.

Oct 14th 2024

BIRD RINGING

Mark Grantham

Mark works for the BTO in Cornwall. He will tell us how ringing is carried out and what it has taught us about migration, local bird movement and how long birds live. With the increasing use of satellite tracking of birds, in real time, it begs the question, is there a place for bird ringing in the future? Come and find out this evening.

Nov 18th 2024

THE MISSING LYNX

David Parkin

Since the last Ice Age, Britain has lost all its large predators such as bears, wolves and lynx. Has this disrupted the balance of nature with some animals now booming in numbers? What if we re-introduce the lost predators through rewilding? Will this redress the balance or will it cause more problems?

Dec 16th 2024

WEEDS ARE WILDFLOWERS TOO!

Nigel Slater

What could possibly be interesting about weeds? Widespread and much maligned, they are truly fascinating. Nettles are used to make clothing, dandelions are crammed full of vitamins and daisy petals diffuse light to attract pollinators. Found in the cracks in pavements and growing in every garden, there is a lot to discover about our most common plants.

Jan 20th 2025

CETACEANS

Ruth Coxon

Ruth is our captain for the night, as we head out to sea to find out about Britain's whales and dolphins. She will share with us her wealth of knowledge gained as a guide and researcher. If you wish to see and learn how to identify cetaceans in our waters, jump aboard tonight.

Feb 24th 2025

ON THE TRAIL OF BRITAIN'S ORCHIDS

David Fox

Orchids are not just found in exotic locations; Britain has over fifty species. David attempts to track them down, explains their unusual biology and shows us a wide variety of habitats where they may be found. He will help us to identify these glorious flowers.

Mar 24th 2025

BETLES TOP THE CHARTS

Tim Sexton

Tim introduces us to some of the vast variety of beetles found in Nottinghamshire. Their shapes, sizes and colours are mesmerising; their lifestyles are equally diverse. Tim's close-up photography is exquisite and his story telling is captivating.

Apr 28th 2025

FORENSIC SCIENCE : ITS USE IN NATURE

Jim Campbell

Jim leaves the courtroom and takes us outdoors to demonstrate how forensic science can inform us about the natural world. He will tell us how it is possible to detect the presence of great-crested newts from a tiny drop of pond water or if there is dolphin meat in your tuna sandwich. A truly fascinating night awaits!

This meeting includes our brief AGM