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## About The Group

The RSPB Medway Group was founded in 1974 and for 42 years has provided local support to the main body of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. We endeavour to produce an interesting programme of indoor and outdoor events, as well as attending various fundraising activities. We are always pleased to see new helpers at Public Events where there is the opportunity to get involved as much or as little as you would like. Our indoor talks are held monthly at Parkwood Community Centre, Gillingham and feature well known local and national speakers. The outdoor walks take in all the hot spots within Kent and the South East. We also regularly run coach trips to reserves further afield.

We are always happy to see new faces at our indoor talks. On the walks help is always on hand with identifying the birds, flowers, insects, etc. Many of the walks are suitable for the infirm or disabled. If in doubt please contact the Field Trips (Walks) Secretary. If you are a RSPB member please remember to bring your membership card with you when visiting RSPB reserves.

If the weather forecast is inclement, please ring the Outdoor Meetings Secretary to confirm that the walk is going ahead. Walks take place throughout the year in different weather conditions and over many varied terrains. Please ensure therefore that you have suitable clothing and footwear for the occasion.

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## Medway Local Group 2016

### Programme Summary



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# Indoor Programme 2016

19 January	The Farne Islands	Michael Walter	<b>KEY</b>
16 February	Incredible birds of the world	Swapnil Kumbhojkar	CT - Coach Trip. To book please contact Wendy Brownrigg on 07831 751 256 or wendybrownrigg@hotmail.co.uk
15 March	The Plight of the Bumblebee	Dr Nikki Gammans	
19 April	Hedgehogs	Dr Ray Allibone	
17 May	Hawaii, Landscapes and Natural History		
	Victoria and Peter Golding + The AGM		
21 June	Any Garden can be a Wildlife Garden	Maureen Rainey	KWT - Kent Wildlife Trust Reserve.
19 July	The Blue Tit	Ian Rumley-Dawson	
August	No meeting		
20 September	Wild Cuba	Martin Davies	CP - Country Park
18 October	Natures Marvels and Natural Quarry	David Boag	
15 November	Rolf gets Rattled	Rolf Williams	NNR - National Nature Reserve
20 December	Wildlife and Birds of Costa Rica	John Buckingham	

**Indoor Meetings at Parkwood Community Centre, Gillingham, ME8 9PN, starting 7.30 pm. Entry £3.50.**

# Field Trips Programme 2016

Sunday 10 January	Elmley Reserve	9.00 am	Sunday 19 June	Dungeness Bumblebee	10.00 am
Wed 20 January	RSPB Cliffe Pools	9.30 am	Sunday 26 June	Samphire Hoe	10.00 am
Sunday 24 January	KWT Oare Marshes	9.00 am	Saturday 9 July	Nightjar Watch	
Sunday 7 February	NNR Swale, Sheppey	9.00 am	Time and Venue To Be Announced		
Wed 17 February	Riverside CP	9.30 am	Thursday 14 - Monday 18 July Skokholm & Skomer Islands		
Sunday 28 February	Sissinghurst Castle Grounds	9.30 am	Wednesday 20 July	Rye Harbour	10.00 am
Friday 11- Monday 14 March Slimbridge & Forest of Dean			Sunday 31 July Tunbridge Wells		
Wednesday 16 March	Manor CP, West Malling	9.30 am	Sunday 14 August	KWT Oare Marshes	9.00 am
Sunday 20 March	RSPB Northward Hill	9.00 am	Wednesday 24 August - Botolph's Bridge/ Royal Military Canal, Hythe		
Sunday 17 April	KWT Sevenoaks	10.00 am	Sunday 4 September	KWT Bough Beech	10.00 am
Wednesday 20 April	Oare Gunpowder Works/ Abbey Fields, Faversham	10.00 am	Sunday 11 September	RSPB Minsmere	CT
Sunday 24 April	Old Lodge, Ashdown Forest	9.00 am	Wed 14 September	RSPB Northward Hill	9.30 am
Saturday 30 April - Monday 2 May Marquetterie, France			Sunday 25 September	RSPB Dungeness	10.00 am
Sunday 8 May	Stodmarsh NNR	9.00 am	Sunday 2 October	Sandwich Bay	9.00 am
Sunday 15 May	Rutland Water	CT	Saturday 8 - Saturday 15 October Alicante & Murcia, Spain		
Wednesday 18 May	Riverside CP Evening Walk	6.30 pm	Wed 19 October	Mote Park	9.30 am
Sunday 22 May	Conyer Creek	8.30 am	Sunday 30 October	NNR Elmley	9.00 am
Thursday 26 - 30 May Snettisham, Titchwell, Cley, Hickling			Sunday 6 November	Conyer Creek	8.30 am
Sunday 5 June	Hothfield Heathland	9.00 am	Wed 16 November	RSPB Cliffe Pools	10.00 am
Wed 15 June	RSPB Rainam Marshes	10.00 am	Sunday 20 November	Shellness/Capel Fleet	9.00 am
			Sunday 4 December	Bedgebury Pinetum	Noon
			Wed 14 December	New Hythe Lakes	9.30 am