

RSPB NE London Local Group

Dear All,

We hope you, your family and friends are continuing to keep safe and well as we approach the autumn. Since the last newsletter, we have had our first zoom meeting. In view of the current uncertainty, we have decided to run all our talk meetings by zoom until March 2021. Meetings will continue to be on the second Tuesday of the month. The next three meetings will therefore be:

Tuesday 13th October 2020 - Birds of Tottenham – David Cottridge.

Tuesday 10th November 2020 -Update on Copped Hall and Peter's Garden in Lockdown – Peter Warne

Tuesday 8th December 2020 – Social

We will shortly be sending out instructions by email on how to join us for the October talk.

The continuing current guidance from the RSPB that we should not engage in any face-to-face activity means we are currently unable to run a walks programme. The RSPB are reviewing the position on a monthly basis. We would also like to say a big thanks to all of you who made a donation after the last zoom meeting.

Warm regards,

Your Friends on the Committee

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On 14th September the RSPB launched a campaign to Revive Our World, pushing for legally binding targets to restore nature by 2030 and for a green recovery from the pandemic across the UK.

The pandemic has brought much of the world to a standstill and for many, nature has never felt more important. From exercising in green spaces to watching garden birds, the realisation that nature is a crucial part of our lives, including for our mental and physical wellbeing, has never been more apparent.

The Revive Our World campaign will push for legally binding targets to restore nature and deliver a green recovery across all governments of the UK. To join our mission to build a healthier, happier, nature-filled world for us all to live in, sign up to the campaign and call for targets to revive our world.

Visit rspb.org.uk/ReviveOurWorld

Speaker for October meeting

David Cottridge



We are excited to have David as our speaker for the October meeting.

He has worked with a range of naturalists including Hadoram Shirihai, Bill Oddie, Chris Packham and Nick Baker.

David has worked as a picture consultant for Birding World, Bird Watching and Birds Illustrated, as well as having a number of exhibitions of his own work.



The pictures to the left are examples of David's work; a Grasshopper Warbler and Sparrowhawk. We can look forward to seeing more of David's photos soon.

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Nature watch

As Autumn approaches and the days draw longer, the colours of nature are beginning to change. Tree leaves start to turn a range of gold and red before falling to the ground. At this time some fungi also display their colours. This fungus was recently spotted in local woodlands. It is a Beefsteak fungus sometimes known as Tongue, or Ox fungus.



Wild Flower Quiz

Listed below are 5 Cryptic clues to wild flowers. Can you identify them from the clues?

Answers below:

A very untidy bird

On a stylish tandem

A prickly scot

A fancy feline

A ruminant's petticoat

Local Reserves

Local Reserves are mainly open, but you should check the website before you go as the situation can change at any time.

The recent change to groups of the rule of six in England means that more than six people including children cannot visit the reserves together.

Answers: Ragged robin, Daisy, Thistle, Dandelion, Cowslip