

Stroud Valleys Project EVENTS CALENDAR April - May 2018



Along with the one-off events listed in this programme, we run on-going conservation work on various sites around Stroud district.

If you would like to get involved on a regular basis, you can either visit our eco shop at 8 Threadneedle Street in Stroud, ring 01453 753358, or visit www.stroudvalleysproject.org



Spring Bird Walk

Wednesday 18 April
10am - 12.30pm

Chalford Valley

Cost: £5/adult & £2/child

Booking essential

Spring is here and the Golden Valley is alive with birdsong! Join us on a gentle 2 mile stroll starting at Chalford. We will be looking for signs of Spring with an emphasis on birds and their songs/calls. Our walk will take us through ancient woodland, alongside stream and canal.



There will be the opportunity to end with refreshments at the Lavender Bakehouse and Coffee Shop.

Early Morning Nightingale Walk

Saturday 5 May
9am - 12noon

Cotswold Water Park

Cost: £5/adult & £2/child
(Age 8+ only)

Booking essential

Come and join us on a 2½ mile walk to hear the wonderful voice of the secretive nightingale.

Along the way we will also look out for many kinds of warblers and water birds, and hopefully hear the sound of the cuckoo welcoming in the spring.



Bat Walk

Friday 18 May
8.30pm to 10.30pm
Stratford Park

Cost: £5/adult & £2/child

Booking essential

Encounter Stroud's many incredible types of bats with a local expert. We will listen for bats using bat detectors and hope to spot some flying.

Bring warm clothes and a torch.

Museum opens until 11pm.



Marking Day Event

Sunday 13 May
10am - 3pm

Rodborough Common

Free event

Marking Day is the traditional day for the cows to go out onto Minchinhampton and Rodborough Commons for a summer of grazing.

To celebrate the important role they play in helping to maintain this wildflower-rich grassland, there will be a day of activities.



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SVP EVENTS CALENDAR continued

Wild About Kingswood

Fri eve 18 May :
7.30pm 9.30pm

Sat morning 19 May :
7.30am - 9am

**FREE event - donations
welcomed**

Booking essential

On Friday evening a number of bottle traps will be set in the two ponds on-site at the old dew pond and the main breeding pond.

If the weather is favourable a torch lamp survey will also be carried out for both ponds.

On Saturday morning the bottle traps will be emptied and a survey count will be taken before releasing any newts or pond life found.



**The child rate applies to those aged 16 or under.
For events stated as priced at £5/adult,
Friends of Stroud Valleys Project only pay £4/adult**

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