

# Bromsgrove & Northeast Worcestershire Local Group

## Spring newsletter 2026



**Worcestershire**  
Wildlife Trust

Dear friends,

You'll receive this newsletter as spring begins to emerge from the wet and cold winter that we've all experienced this year. Not a moment too soon, I say! It's wonderful to think what nature has in store for us over coming weeks.

Your local group has already enjoyed several very successful talks this year - about wetland mammals, bird conundrums and dragonflies and damselflies. Attendances have been great and we've come close to running out of chairs.

Shortly after this newsletter arrives we will have our April meeting. This will be on **Monday, 13 April** at the usual venue, Amphlett Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Admission is £3 (cash) and that includes a nice cuppa and biscuits. We'll hear from

### **Terry Green** about **hedgehogs** and how we can help them.

As you know, we don't hold meetings in May, June, July and August. Instead we have a programme of wildlife trips to nature reserves. See over for more information and please note that numbers are limited so places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Information on our autumn meetings is also available overleaf.

So, I do hope that you are well and that we will see you at one of our meetings or trips.

All best wishes



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# Wildlife trips 2026

## **Feckenham Wylde Moor** *Mon 20 April*

Enjoy a visit to this remnant peat fen with reserves officer Eleanor Reast. A pool and wet scrapes sit amongst species-rich meadows. This is a great place for damselflies and dragonflies, some of which may be on the wing.

## **The Christopher Cadbury Wetland Reserve, Upton Warren** *Tue 12 May*

Join the Trust's Ion Riley on a spring visit to our local (and wonderful) wetland nature reserve. Avocets and little ringed plovers will be settling down and we may get some surprise migrant birds passing through too.

## **Foster's Green Meadow NNR (Eades Meadow)** *Wed 27 May*

A return visit, with reserves officer Eleanor Reast, to these beautiful meadows that haven't been ploughed or treated with chemicals for 100+ years. The plants support a range of insects, spiders and other wildlife and Eades Meadow is known for its green-winged orchids.

## **John Clark Wildflower Walk, Bredon Hill** *Friday 24th July*

We'll join a representative from the Kemerton Conservation Trust, who own the site, for a walk to this beautiful location, an excellent place for wildflowers, butterflies and other insects.

**All walks will be in the morning and will be followed by lunch at a nearby location. If you'd like to join us, drop us a line and we'll let you know more details**[wwtbromsgrovebranch@gmail.com](mailto:wwtbromsgrovebranch@gmail.com)

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## Autumn talks - dates for your diary

Meetings start at 7.30pm and cost £3 (cash) per person  
Amphlett Hall, Crown Close, off Market Street, Bromsgrove B61 8DW

Monday 14 Sep: **Wildlife in Sri Lanka** with Tom and Anne Wilkins,  
Redditch Local Group

Monday 12 Oct: **Hill Court Farm and the Blacklands nature reserve** by  
Tomos Holloway, Trust reserves officer

Monday 9 Nov: **Bredon Hill through the year, a nature lover's guide**  
by Roger Umpelby, local naturalist