

### Photography tuition

Got a digital SLR camera? Whether you're still working out your settings or seeking tips to give your wildlife shots a professional edge, you will benefit from advice, guidance and personal tuition from experienced and approachable wildlife photographer Mike Malpass. Sessions involve both indoor theory then out onto the reserve to put it into practice. Dates and times to suit you. Interested? Contact us [leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk](mailto:leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk) or on 01524 701413.

### Talks

Looking for an enthusiastic, knowledgeable and popular speaker for your group, society or club? Our former Warden David Mower offers two excellent talks; Leighton Moss or Garden Birds. Contact him after 5 pm on 01539 563522 for details or to book.

### Groups, coaches and campervans

If you are going to be visiting with a group of 10 or more, visiting on a coach or in a campervan, please can you book in advance so we can ensure you have space to park. Please note, we do not have overnight parking.

### When are we open?

The reserve is open from dawn to dusk daily (closed Christmas day).

The visitor centre (including shop and cafe) is open 9.30 am-5 pm daily (9.30 am-4.30 pm December and January). Closed Christmas Day.

## Thank you for visiting Leighton Moss and Morecambe Bay nature reserve

Here are some ways to keep in touch and let us know how you enjoyed your visit



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# What's on?

**Leighton Moss and Morecambe  
Bay nature reserve**

## July 2017

The RSPB is a registered charity in England & Wales  
207076, in Scotland SC 037654

All our events are listed on our website  
[rspb.org.uk/leightonmoss](http://rspb.org.uk/leightonmoss)

## What's on in July 2017?

Events marked with ☺ are for young people or families

### ☺ 'Wonderful Wetland Wildlife' family trail

**Saturday 1-Monday 31 July  
(Drop in between 9.30 am-4 pm)**

Bring your team and take part in this self-led family trail to discover more about the wonderful world of wetlands and the creatures that like to live here. Normal admission charges apply to non-members (RSPB members free).

### ☺ Wildlife Explorers Club

**Saturday 1 July (10 am-12 pm) TBC**

Discover marvellous Morecambe bay on a shore line walk to Jenny Brown's point. To find out more about this exciting monthly wildlife club for 8-12 year olds, email [wildlife.explorers.leighton@gmail.com](mailto:wildlife.explorers.leighton@gmail.com). Cost £2 (RSPB Wildlife Explorer members £1).

### ☺ Phoenix Group

**Sunday 2 July (1-3pm) TBC**

If you are aged 13-19, come along to discover ways of helping to save nature as well as meeting new friends. Find out more by sending an email to [phoenix.leighton@gmail.com](mailto:phoenix.leighton@gmail.com). Cost £2 (RSPB Phoenix members £1).

### ☺ Nature Tots

**Thursday 6 and Wednesday 19 July  
(10.30-11.30 am)**

Whatever the weather, come along with your little nippers for this interactive wildlife trail. Play outdoor games and sing songs, followed by a story and a cup of tea or coffee (juice for the little ones). Cost: Adults £5 (RSPB members £2), toddlers free. No need to book, just roll up!

### Meet the Moths at the Moss

**Sunday 9 July (11 am-12 pm)**

Leighton Moss is a terrific home for moths with almost 600 different species recorded and new ones found each year. Moths found overnight on the reserve and nearby will be on view for those who want to learn more about these fascinating insects. The moth trap will be opened at 11 am and will include a short introductory talk. Test out your identification skills with the help of the experts on hand or simply marvel at the variety of shapes, colours and sizes. Normal admission charges apply to non-members visiting the reserve, no additional charges for event. Donations welcome.

### Digital Photography Workshop

**Saturday 22 July (11 am-4 pm)**

Got a Digital SLR camera? Make the most of it with this one-day photography workshop. Whether you're still working out the settings, or seeking tips to give your wildlife shots a professional edge, you'll benefit from the guidance, inspiration and field craft tips from experienced, published wildlife photographer Mike Malpass. Includes an indoor session followed by putting it into practice outdoors. Booking and payment in advance essential. Bring your own camera and notebook, buffet lunch will be provided. Cost £48 (RSPB members £36).

### Binoculars and Telescopes Open Weekend

**Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 July  
(Drop-in between 10 am-4 pm)**

Get some hands on advice about binoculars and telescopes from our friendly, impartial team. Have the chance to try them outdoors. Normal admission charges apply to non-members visiting the reserve, no additional charges for event.

**Date for your diary: RSPB Big Wild Sleepout  
Friday 28, Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 July**

Connect with nature by spending a night in nature's home. Whether you camp in your garden, local campsite or at an RSPB organised event, you're sure to have a wild time! Visit [rspb.org.uk/sleepout](http://rspb.org.uk/sleepout) for more details

### ☺ For families

**The Holt** is open most weekends and in the school holidays. This indoor space offers interactive boards and exciting self-led children's activities. Free of charge, donations welcome.

**Explore** our wildlife sensory garden – with nature's pipes, natural playpit, nature's drums, den building challenge and more, come and have fun discovering all that the garden has to offer.

### Going exploring?

If you are off for a walk on the nature reserve, get a bigger eyeful of nature by hiring a pair of **binoculars** from us. £3 a pair for RSPB Puffins, £5 a pair for RSPB Avocets. We also have **Explorer backpacks** for families including a magnifying glass, binoculars, bug pots and more. £3 a backpack, one per family. Ask at the welcome desk for details.

### Guided walks

If you would like a personal guided walk for you or your party, please contact us by email [leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk](mailto:leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk) or by phoning 01524 701413.

### Celebrate with us!

Planning a children's birthday party, grown-ups birthday party, anniversary or wedding? Then why not do it here at your favourite nature reserve. We have lots of options to make your day wild! Contact us [leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk](mailto:leighton.moss@rspb.org.uk) or phone 01524 701413.

### Personal telescope demonstration

You can try out our binoculars on any day, but we can also offer your own personal telescope demonstration with one of our advisors. Please contact our Retail Manager or Assistant Retail Manager on 01524 701601 to arrange for you to go out on the reserve to see how our telescopes perform.