

Spring - Summer

# Forest Events 2013



**Wyre  
Forest**  
LANDSCAPE  
PARTNERSHIP

## Introduction

# A year of activities



Welcome to the first shared events leaflet for the Wyre Forest. I hope you and your friends and family will find it interesting and useful.

There are all sorts of exciting activities described here. Thirteen different organisations work in the Forest and we think it makes sense to pull all their various activities together in one shared leaflet. It should make it easier for you to find out what is going on across the whole area and helps us to share our resources, reduce waste and be more efficient.





The Wyre Forest Landscape Partnership is an exciting new initiative. It has been set up to help sustain this very special corner of the countryside by getting local people and organisations to work together around a shared agenda. Our main aim is to look after the Forest and its wildlife, now and in the future, but we will also do all we can to help as many people as possible to enjoy and understand the landscape whilst protecting its beauty and its peacefulness.

Wyre Forest is one of the most important areas of woodland in England. Generations of local people have used it and enjoyed it over the centuries and now we want to work with you, your family and your friends to make sure the forest survives and blossoms far into the future.

We really hope you find this leaflet useful, and that it helps you to gain even more enjoyment from the wonderful Wyre Forest.

**Professor Chris Baines**

CHAIR, WYRE FOREST LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP.



## Discovery Centre Open Day

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** Every day from 2nd April to 12th April (exc weekends), 11am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Come and look round the Community Discovery Centre. Spot our new lovely art works, explore our hands-on displays, watch the birds from our hide windows, follow the Sensory Trail, and discover the origins of the Earth with our Geological Time Trail. The unique 'Wild Side of Wyre' deer museum will also be open. There is something to interest everyone and it's free!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Volunteer Work Party

### Wyre Community Land Trust (WCLT)

**DATE AND TIME:** 3rd & 17th April, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear outdoor clothes, sturdy boots and bring lunch and any refreshments needed

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.wyreclt.org.uk](http://www.wyreclt.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/wyreclt](http://www.facebook.com/wyreclt) e-mail [sally@wyreclt.org.uk](mailto:sally@wyreclt.org.uk) or call 01299 488083

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## Art Exhibition

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 4th to 7th April, 10:30am - 4.30pm  
(Friday until 7.30pm)

**MEETING POINT:** Park in main car park, meet at  
Discovery Centre

An exhibition of drawings and paintings inspired by the Wyre Forest by artist and writer Emma Safe. Over the last year Emma has been drawing at different locations in and around the forest to create large scale 'spirit drawings' which explore the changing light, mass and mood of the forest. Drawing from the landscape in charcoal enables her to form a visual and spiritual connection to the natural landscape, which she exploits to better understand and celebrate the treasure that is our living forest.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Park in main car park – special arrangements will be made to open/close car park barrier that Friday evening

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## Uncllys in the Spring

**Wyre Community Land Trust** *In partnership with:*  
**Access to farms** and **DEFRA**

**DATE AND TIME:** 5th April, 1pm - 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm,  
Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Join a walk through the fields, orchards and woods of Uncllys as the countryside wakes up! There will be an opportunity to feed the chickens, see the other farm animals and children can make a bird feeder.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call  
01299 488083

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## Mountain Bike Coaching Day

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 8th April, 10:30am - 1pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet North MTB Area (TBC)

Grass Roots MTB intro day for beginners/younger riders 10-14 years.

**COST:** £20 per rider

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit: [www.step-out.eu](http://www.step-out.eu)

Call: 07962 446886 or e-mail: [sarah@step-out.eu](mailto:sarah@step-out.eu)

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## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** April 10th, 24th

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

Help us to restore areas of ancient woodland, preserve traditional orchards and maintain wildflower meadows by becoming a volunteer in the Wyre Forest. We carry out a range of varied practical tasks which offer a great way to get physically active in the outdoors, develop new skills and meet like-minded people. Fitness or experience is not important, just a bit of enthusiasm and a love for all weathers!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No, but please contact the office to register your interest and to find out each task as plans change with the weather!

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** A good pair of sturdy boots, gloves and a packed lunch.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 400686 or e-mail [alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk)

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## Mountain Bike Coaching Day

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 12th April, 10:30am - 1:30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet North MTB Area (TBC)

11-16s mountain bike coaching day (intermediate)

**COST:** £30 per rider inc BBQ

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

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## Spinning and Wool Crafts

**WCLT** In partnership with: **Access to farms**

**DATE AND TIME:** 20th April, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

This day course will introduce you to carding, spinning fleece and plying yarn. The unspun fleece will be sorted and used for projects such as weaving on a peg loom and needle felting.

**COST:** £40

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call 01299 488083



## Living with Nature

### West Midland Bird Club (WMBC)

**DATE AND TIME:** 24th April @ 7.30pm

**MEETING POINT:** St Oswald Church Centre.  
Broadwaters Kidderminster

Alan and Sylvia Williams present Living with Nature an illustrated talk and film about how they developed their own Nature Reserve.

**COST:** £2.00 for members £2.50 non members

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail  
kidderminster@westmidlandbirdclub.com or visit  
[www.westmidlandbirdclub.com](http://www.westmidlandbirdclub.com)

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## Mountain Bike Coaching Day

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 27th April, 10:30am - 2:30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet  
North MTB Area (TBC)

16+ mountain bike coaching day (intermediate)

**COST:** £30 per rider inc BBQ

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

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## Blossom Walk

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** 28th April, 2pm - 4:30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Dry Mill Lane Car Park Grid Ref: SO 772 762

A short walk around the traditional orchards of Wyre Forest at blossom time looking at the history, wildlife and landscape value of these special habitats. We shall also visit recent replantings and look at future developments for these orchards and their produce, including apple juicing and cider making.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Distance about 3 miles mainly on good paths but a few places may be muddy after rain – stout footwear recommended.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** E-mail [tabatha.leigh@naturalengland.or.uk](mailto:tabatha.leigh@naturalengland.or.uk) or call 01299 400686

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## Conservation Work Party

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 28th April 10am

**MEETING POINT:** TBA

Burning brash - branch wood left behind by the contractors, after they have taken all the good stuff!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No – contact Phil Rudlin for meeting place

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring something for the BBQ (we pool all food unless you have any special dietary requirements) old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, decent footwear and something to drink.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Phil Rudlin: 01299 266302 or [phil.rudlin@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:phil.rudlin@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)

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## Volunteer Work Party

### WCLT

**DATE AND TIME:** 1st, 15th and 19th May, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear outdoor clothes, sturdy boots and bring lunch and any refreshments needed

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## Mountain Bike Coaching Day

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 4th May, 10:30am - 2:30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet North MTB Area (TBC)

16+ coaching day (novice)

**COST:** £30 per rider inc BBQ

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

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## Discover Bewdley Spring Fair

### Bewdley Museum

**DATE AND TIME:** 5th and 6th May, 10am - 4:00pm

**MEETING POINT:** Bewdley

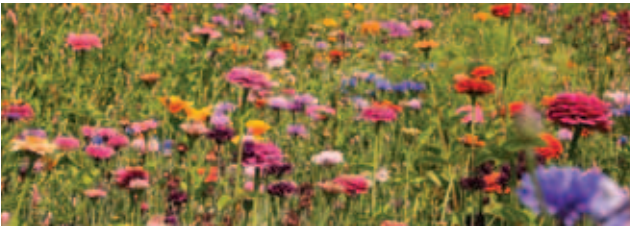
Activities for the whole family around the town and at Bewdley Museum. Open gardens, street theatre, games, demonstrations, beer festival, exhibitions, music, art, walks food.

**COST:** Please see website for information

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk), e-mail [info@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:info@bewdley.org.uk)



## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** May 8th, 22nd

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

Help us to restore areas of ancient woodland, preserve traditional orchards and maintain wildflower meadows by becoming a volunteer in the Wyre Forest. We carry out a range of practical tasks including coppicing, tree planting and scrub bashing to name a few. The tasks are varied and offer a great way to get physically active in the outdoors, develop new skills and meet like-minded people. Fitness or experience is not important, just a bit of enthusiasm and a love for all weathers!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Please get in touch with the office to register your interest and to find out about each task as plans change with the weather!

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** A good pair of sturdy boots, gloves and a packed lunch.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact: Alice Briggs on 01299 400686 or [alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk)

## National Mills Weekend

**Midland Mills Group** *In partnership with: SPAB Mills Section*

**DATE AND TIME:** 11th and 12th May, between 11am and 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Knowles Mill

Come and grind some flour by hand and find out how the mill used to work by water power.

**COST:**

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.nationalmillsweekend.co.uk](http://www.nationalmillsweekend.co.uk)



## Dawn Chorus Walk

**WMBC**

**DATE AND TIME:** 12th May @ 6.30am

**MEETING POINT:** Drymill Lane Car Park

Early morning walk to hear the beautiful dawn chorus in Wyre Forest.

**COST:** £2.00 for members £2.50 non members

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Please wear appropriate weatherproof clothing and footwear.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [kidderminster@westmidlandbirdclub.com](mailto:kidderminster@westmidlandbirdclub.com) or visit [www.westmidlandbirdclub.com](http://www.westmidlandbirdclub.com)

## Everything You Need To Know About Fruit Trees

**WCLT** In partnership with: **Access to farms**

**DATE AND TIME:** 18th May, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

This one day intensive course will cover all aspects of growing your own apples, pears, cherries and plums from planting to grafting, rootstock selection, pollination, choice of varieties, pruning and harvesting. The day will include practical work in local orchards.

**COST:** £40

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call 01299 488083



## Group Bike Ride and BBQ

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 18th May, 12pm - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet North MTB Area (TBC)

A group of us out for a social day of riding in a relaxed group around the Wyre with a BBQ to finish. Designed for riders by riders, so aimed at people who already ride and have their own bikes. Aimed at ages of 16+.

**COST:** £5 per rider inc BBQ

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

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## Conservation Work Party Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 19th May 10am

**MEETING POINT:** TBA

Removing deer fencing from protected areas after natural regeneration has grown sufficiently to be safe from deer browsing.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No – contact Phil Rudlin for meeting place

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** bring something for the BBQ (we pool all food unless you have any special dietary requirements) old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, decent footwear and something to drink.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call: Phil Rudlin: 01299 266302 or phil.rudlin@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

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## Pearl-bordered Fritillary Survey of Ribbesford Wood

### Butterfly Conservation

**DATE AND TIME:** 22nd or 23rd May, 11am (date TBC depending on weather)

**MEETING POINT:** TBC

The Pearl-bordered Fritillary has recolonised Ribbesford Wood over the past two years after an absence of over 20 years. The idea of the survey is to establish the extent of the butterfly's distribution within the wood and assess population numbers. Volunteers are needed to assist in this task.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** mike@stagborough.fsnet.co.uk or 07802 274552

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## Producers Market

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 26th May, 10am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Forestry Commission main car park  
Come and enjoy the offerings of our local producers surrounded by the beautiful forest setting. Stalls include, foods, hand crafted gifts, crafts, and much more.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

## Mountain Bike Coaching Day

### Step-Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 27th May, 10:30am - 1:30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Visitor Centre AND Kinlet North MTB Area (TBC)

11-16s coaching day (intermediate)

**COST:** £30 per rider inc BBQ

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For all courses the customer is welcome to bring their own bike and helmet, providing that the bike is in a good working order and the helmet is not more than 3 years old and in a good and safe condition. If this is a problem, then bikes and helmets can be provided if required.

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Call: 07962 446886 or e-mail: [sarah@step-out.eu](mailto:sarah@step-out.eu)

## Discovery Centre Open Day Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** Every day 27th to 31st May, 11am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Come and look round the Community Discovery Centre. Spot our new lovely art works, explore our hands-on displays, watch the birds from our hide windows, follow the Sensory Trail, and discover the origins of the Earth with our Geological Time Trail. The unique 'Wild Side of Wyre' deer museum will also be open. There is something to interest everyone!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Survival in the Forest

**Step Out** *In partnership with:* **Natural England**

**DATE AND TIME:** 28th May 2013, 10.30am – 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Discovery Centre

Build natural shelters, light a fire, and have a fun filled day surviving the forest environment.

**COST:** £8.50 (including drinks and a snack)

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring a packed lunch, wear sturdy boots/shoes and old clothes. Ages 8-11

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit: [www.step-out.eu](http://www.step-out.eu)

Call: 07962 446886 or e-mail: [sarah@step-out.eu](mailto:sarah@step-out.eu)

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## Dinosaur Trail

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th May, anytime between 10.30am to 2.30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Follow the dinosaur trail deep into the forest and find out more about these magnificent monsters from the past! Family activity – all children to be accompanied by an adult.

**COST:** £3 per child

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Family activity – all children to be accompanied by an adult.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)



## Family Forest Cook-Out

**Step Out** *In partnership with:* **Natural England**

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th May 2013, 5.30pm - 8pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest Discovery Centre

Come and light your own fire, build it up, cook your burgers/sausages, then pack down and creep out of the forest leaving no trace of where you've been.

**COST:** £4.50 per adult & £3 per child including food and hot chocolate (locally sourced burgers and sausages or vegetarian option).

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear warm clothes and sturdy shoes - suitable for families.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit: [www.step-out.eu](http://www.step-out.eu)  
Call: 07962 446886 or e-mail: [sarah@step-out.eu](mailto:sarah@step-out.eu)

## **Bewdley Local Produce Market** **Bewdley Development Trust**

**DATE AND TIME:** 2nd June, 11am – 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Load Street, Bewdley

Locally produced fine foods and quality crafts.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk) or e-mail [info@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:info@bewdley.org.uk)



## **Butterfly ID Training Day** **Butterfly Conservation**

**DATE AND TIME:** 5th or 12th June, 11 am (date TBC depending on weather)

**MEETING POINT:** TBC

A morning in the field for those interested in helping to record butterflies in the Wyre Forest. Mainly aimed at identification of the two smaller Fritillary species.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [mike@stagborough.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:mike@stagborough.fsnet.co.uk) or 07802 274552

## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** June 5th, 19th

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

Help us to restore areas of ancient woodland, preserve traditional orchards and maintain wildflower meadows by becoming a volunteer in the Wyre Forest. We carry out a range of practical tasks including coppicing, tree planting and scrub bashing to name a few. The tasks are varied and offer a great way to get physically active in the outdoors, develop new skills and meet like-minded people. Fitness or experience is not important, just a bit of enthusiasm and a love for all weathers!

**COST:** Free

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## Uncllys in the Summer

**WCLT** *In partnership with:* **Access to farms** and **DEFRA**

**DATE AND TIME:** 9th June, 10:30am - 12:30pm, 2pm - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

There will be walks in the morning and afternoon visiting the farm animals and finding out how we look after the farm. Tea and cake for sale.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call 01299 488083



Daniel D Slee

## Volunteer Work Party

### WCLT

**DATE AND TIME:** 12th and 26th June, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

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## Dusk Walk (Adults Only)

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 28th June, 9pm to 11pm

**MEETING POINT:** Park in main car park. Meet outside Forest Cafe

A walk through the forest at dusk in search of glow-worms, bats and other creatures of the night!

**COST:** £6 per person

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the forest at night, and bring a torch.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or visit [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Conservation Work Party

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 30th June 10am

**MEETING POINT:** TBA

Balsam bashing! Hand pulling Himalayan Balsam to manage the alien plant in Shrawley Wood.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No – contact Phil Rudlin for meeting place

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring something for the BBQ (we pool all food unless you have any special dietary requirements) old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, decent footwear and something to drink.

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James-Hetherington

July

## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** July 3rd, 17th, 31st

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

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## Bewdley Local Produce Market

### Bewdley Development Trust

**DATE AND TIME:** 7th July, 11am – 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Load Street, Bewdley  
Locally produced fine foods and quality crafts.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk) or e-mail [info@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:info@bewdley.org.uk)

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## Volunteer Work Party

### WCLT

**DATE AND TIME:** 10th and 24th July, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Unclyls Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear outdoor clothes, sturdy boots and bring lunch and any refreshments needed

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.wyreclt.org.uk](http://www.wyreclt.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/wyreclt](http://www.facebook.com/wyreclt) e-mail [sally@wyreclt.org.uk](mailto:sally@wyreclt.org.uk) or call 01299 488083

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## Conservation Work Party

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 21st July 10am

**MEETING POINT:** TBA

Balsam bashing! Hand pulling Himalayan Balsam to manage the alien plant in Shrawley Wood.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No – contact Phil Rudlin for meeting place

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring something for the BBQ (we pool all food unless you have any special dietary requirements) old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, decent footwear and something to drink.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call: Phil Rudlin: 01299 266302 or [phil.rudlin@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:phil.rudlin@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)

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## Cherry Festival

### Bewdley Museum

**DATE AND TIME OF EVENT:** 27th and 28th July, 10am - 4:00pm

**MEETING POINT:** Bewdley Museum

A traditional summer celebration of an ancient festival with music, activities and stalls.

**COST:** Please see website for information

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk), e-mail [elliehooper@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:elliehooper@bewdley.org.uk) or call 01299 405516

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## Living Wild Week

### Step Out

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th July – 2nd August, 8.30am – 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Forest

A week long programme crammed with bushcraft activities, mountain bike trails, map reading challenges, whittling, camp cooking and loads more with the option on the last night (Thursday) to sleep in the forest in the shelters that you have built.

**COST:** £120 (including breakfast and lunch)

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Booking essential - only 12 places available.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Suitable for 11-14 years

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Please visit [www.step-out.eu](http://www.step-out.eu) for more information

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## Wild in Wyre

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th - 31st July, 9am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

For 8 to 11 year olds. 3 full days of fun and adventure in the forest. Activities will include building shelters, camp cookery, making bows and arrows.

**COST:** £70 per child

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Booking essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Suitable for 8-11 years

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Discovery Centre Open Day Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th - 31st July, 11am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Come and look round the Community Discovery Centre. Spot our new lovely art works, explore our hands-on displays, watch the birds from our hide windows, follow the Sensory Trail, and discover the origins of the Earth with our Geological Time Trail. The unique 'Wild Side of Wyre' deer museum will also be open. There is something to interest everyone!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Discovery Centre Open Day Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 1st - 30th August (excluding weekends), 11am to 3pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Come and look round the Community Discovery Centre. Spot our new lovely art works, explore our hands-on displays, watch the birds from our hide windows, follow the Sensory Trail, and discover the origins of the Earth with our Geological Time Trail. The unique 'Wild Side of Wyre' deer museum will also be open. There is something to interest everyone!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Bewdley Local Produce Market Bewdley Development Trust

**DATE AND TIME:** 4th August, 11am – 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Load Street, Bewdley  
Locally produced fine foods and quality crafts.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk) or e-mail [info@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:info@bewdley.org.uk)

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## Volunteer Work Party

### WCLT

**DATE AND TIME:** 7th and 21st August, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear outdoor clothes, sturdy boots and bring lunch and any refreshments needed

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.wyreclt.org.uk](http://www.wyreclt.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/wyreclt](http://www.facebook.com/wyreclt) e-mail [sally@wyreclt.org.uk](mailto:sally@wyreclt.org.uk) or call 01299488083

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## Basket Making

**WCLT** *In partnership with:* **Access to farms**

**DATE AND TIME:** 10th August, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

This course will show you how to make your first basket or develop the craft further using willow and a selection of other materials.

**COST:** £45 to include materials

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call 01299 488083

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## Forest Detective Trail

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** August 13th, Arrive anytime between 10.30am and 2.30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Follow a trail looking for signs of animal life in the forest.

**COST:** £3 per child

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Family activity – all children to be accompanied by an adult.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** August 14th, 28th

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

Help us to restore areas of ancient woodland, preserve traditional orchards and maintain wildflower meadows by becoming a volunteer in the Wyre Forest. We carry out a range of practical tasks including coppicing, tree planting and scrub bashing to name a few. The tasks are varied and offer a great way to get physically active in the outdoors, develop new skills and meet like-minded people. Fitness or experience is not important, just a bit of enthusiasm and a love for all weathers!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Please get in touch with the office to register your interest and to find out each task as plans change with the weather!

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** A good pair of sturdy boots, gloves and a packed lunch.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact: Alice Briggs on 01299 400686 or [alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk)



Andy Neale (Twitter-Whizzyfinger)



## Forest Fairy Trail

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** August 22nd, Arrive anytime between 10.30 and 2.30

**MEETING POINT:** Discovery Centre

Are there fairies (or pixies) in the forest? Follow a trail, look for their homes, and join us for some craft activities.

**COST:** £3 per child

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Family activity – all children to be accompanied by an adult.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Dusk Walk for Families

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 30th August, 7pm to 9pm

**MEETING POINT:** Park in main car park. Meet outside Forest Cafe

Explore the forest as night falls. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the forest at night, and bring a torch.

**COST:** Cost £6 per person/£20 per family of 4.

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Booking essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** For families with children aged 7 and over.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## **Bewdley Local Produce Market**

### **Bewdley Development Trust**

**DATE AND TIME:** 1st September, 11am – 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Load Street, Bewdley  
Locally produced fine foods and quality crafts.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bewdley.org.uk](http://www.bewdley.org.uk) or e-mail [info@bewdley.org.uk](mailto:info@bewdley.org.uk)

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## **Volunteer Work Party**

### **WCLT**

**DATE AND TIME:** 4th and 18th September., 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Wyre Community Land Trust, Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

Help to conserve land in and around the Wyre Forest. Planting and managing orchards, fencing, managing woods and meadows, working with cattle, sheep, pigs and chickens.

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Wear outdoor clothes, sturdy boots and bring lunch and any refreshments needed

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.wyreclt.org.uk](http://www.wyreclt.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/wyreclt](http://www.facebook.com/wyreclt) e-mail [sally@wyreclt.org.uk](mailto:sally@wyreclt.org.uk) or call 01299 488083

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## **Food & Ale Trail**

### **Cleobury Mortimer Footpath Association**

**DATE AND TIME:** 7th September

**MEETING POINT:** Cleobury Mortimer  
6-7mile walk with stops for local food & drink

**COST:** TBA please see website

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Tickets in advance - see website

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Please visit [www.cmfa.co.uk](http://www.cmfa.co.uk)

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## Volunteer Task Day

### Natural England

**DATE AND TIME:** September 11th, 25th

**MEETING POINT:** Lodge Hill, Dowles Brook, Bewdley, DY122LY

Help us to restore areas of ancient woodland, preserve traditional orchards and maintain wildflower meadows by becoming a volunteer in the Wyre Forest. We carry out a range of practical tasks including coppicing, tree planting and scrub bashing to name a few. The tasks are varied and offer a great way to get physically active in the outdoors, develop new skills and meet like-minded people. Fitness or experience is not important, just a bit of enthusiasm and a love for all weathers!

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Please get in touch with the office to register your interest and to find out each task as plans change with the weather!

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** A good pair of sturdy boots, gloves and a packed lunch.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact: Alice Briggs on 01299 400686 or [alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:alice.briggs@naturalengland.org.uk)

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## Juicing and Cider Making

**WCLT** *In partnership with:* **Access to farms**

**DATE AND TIME:** 14th September, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncllys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR

On this course you will be making apple juice from the produce of local orchards. You will look at the equipment needed to make juice on a small scale and learn about pasturising and fermenting your product. Everyone can take home a demijohn of apple juice.

**COST:** £45 to include materials

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyrectl.org](mailto:info@wyrectl.org) or call 01299 488083

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## Natural Dyes

**WCLT** *In partnership with:* **Access to farms**

**DATE AND TIME:** 21st September, 10am - 4pm

**MEETING POINT:** Uncillys Farm, Tanners Hill, DY12 2LR  
Fleece, homespun yarn and cotton will be used to try out natural dyestuffs from the kitchen and garden, and some decorative dying techniques will be explored.

**COST:** £40 to include materials

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - limited places

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** e-mail [info@wyreclt.org](mailto:info@wyreclt.org) or call 01299 488083

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## An Indian Winter

**WMBC**

**DATE AND TIME:** 25th September @ 7.30pm

**MEETING POINT:** St Oswald Church Centre.  
Broadwaters Kidderminster

Keith Offord presents An Indian Winter an illustrated talk on the wildlife of India in the winter.

**COST:** £2.00 for members £2.50 non members

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** N/A

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** [www.westmidlandbirdclub.com](http://www.westmidlandbirdclub.com)  
[kidderminster@westmidlandbirdclub.com](mailto:kidderminster@westmidlandbirdclub.com)

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## Fungi Foray

**Forestry Commission**

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th September, 10.30am to 12.30pm

**MEETING POINT:** Earnwood car park

A short stroll through the forest looking for the amazing variety of fungi, both large and small, that are so vital to our woodlands.

**COST:** £7 per person

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Booking essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring a basket, small knife and notebook if possible. Additional ID guide available at £4

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Fungi Foray

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th September, 2:00pm to 4:00pm

**MEETING POINT:** Hawkbatch car park

A short stroll through the forest looking for the amazing variety of fungi, both large and small, that are so vital to our woodlands.

**COST:** £7 per person

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** Yes - Booking essential

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** Bring a basket, small knife and notebook if possible. Additional ID guide available at £4

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call 01299 266929 or website [www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wyreforest)

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## Conservation Workparty

### Forestry Commission

**DATE AND TIME:** 29th September 10am

**MEETING POINT:** TBA

Hand raking mowed grass on small meadows to improve habitat for wild flowers and invertebrates

**COST:** Free

**BOOKING REQUIRED:** No – contact Phil Rudlin for meeting place

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** bring something for the BBQ (we pool all food unless you have any special dietary requirements) old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, decent footwear and something to drink.

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# Our partners

Wyre Forest Landscape Partnership - WFLP is a new partnership established to sustain the Wyre Forest, the biggest continuous area of ancient woodland in England.

WFLP works with a number of local partners including:

## **Bewdley Development Trust**

An independent local organisation working towards the economic, environmental and social sustainability of Bewdley and the surrounding area.

<http://www.bewdley.org.uk>

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## **Bewdley Museum**

The museum for the Wyre Forest which gives an insight into the trades and crafts of the Wyre Forest area.

<http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/cms/leisure-and-culture/museums-and-galleries.aspx>

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## **Butterfly Conservation**

Working in the Wyre Forest for the conservation for butterflies, moths and environments.

<http://butterfly-conservation.org>

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## **Cleobury Mortimer Footpath Association**

A combined walking/work group dedicated to making the many miles of footpaths accessible to both the local community and visitors.

<http://www.cmfa.co.uk>

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### **Forestry Commission**

Owner and manager of a large part of the Wyre Forest, including the Discovery Centre.

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk>

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### **Midland Mills Group**

A voluntary, non-profit making society of mill enthusiasts.

<http://www.midlandmills.org.uk/>

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### **Natural England**

Natural England manage the National Nature Reserve in the Wyre Forest.

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk>

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### **Step Out**

A Community Interest Company which provides outdoor learning and experiences.

<http://www.step-out.eu>

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### **West Midland Bird Club**

Serving birdwatchers and ornithologists in the four English counties of Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire and the Metropolitan West Midlands since 1929.

<http://www.westmidlandbirdclub.com>

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### **Wyre Community Land Trust**

Bringing together landowners, volunteers and funders to restore the traditional landscape of the Wyre.

<http://www.wyreclt.org.uk>

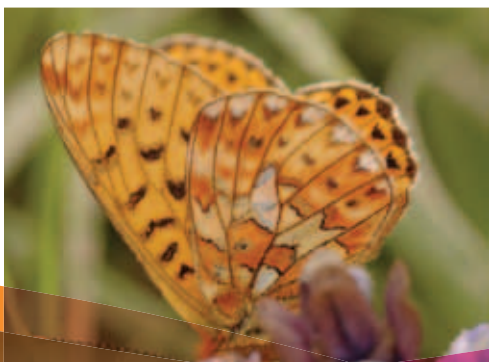
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