
JULY 2019

2nd Tuesday 7.30pm FORENSIC SCIENCE & THE MICROSCOPE (PART 1) – members' contributions and short presentations. This is the first of two sessions in which members have an opportunity to present aspects of forensic science and medicine that is of interest to them. Presentations can be in a variety of forms, including short videos, 'Powerpoints', or just ten minute discussion topics. **MIC**

3rd Wednesday 8.00pm IMPROMPTU PHOTOGRAPHIC NIGHTS. Come along with your camera gear. Subject to be agreed on the night and may be Post Processing (Photoshop), Still Life, Studio Flash, AV, or anything else you would like to cover. Guests are very welcome to join us where we will gladly assist with any photographic queries. **PHO**

6th Saturday MARKET HARBOROUGH MARINA will be our destination today. Meet for bus SC X7 at 11am. Picnic or use one of the options for lunch in the town. **SW**

8th Monday 7.30pm ASTRONOMY MEETING the subject of the meeting is to be advised. **AST**

9th Tuesday 7:30pm RECENT FINDS AND REFINDS REGARDING THE NORTHANTS FLORA. Brian Laney is joint county recorder for vascular plants. He has an incredible ability to find species that have been overlooked by other botanists and travels around the county (and beyond) finding and conserving rare species. He will take to us about some of his recent finds and refinds. A talk not to be missed. Arranged by the WILDside project which the NNHS supports with the use of the Humfrey Rooms.

10th Wednesday 10.30am - 2.30pm OPEN HOUSE The Humfrey Rooms will be open for members and guests to chat and study the literature, samples and exhibits. Tea and coffee available.

10th Wednesday 2.30pm VICTORIAN CHANNEL TUNNEL Discover the history of the Victorian Channel Tunnel and a visit to the needles. **ARC/HIS**

11th Thursday 2.30pm CENTRAL AFRICA IN THE 1950s. Some intriguing short public information films, newsreels and documentaries showing daily life in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland before independence. **GEN**

13th Saturday A walk around **BRIXWORTH COUNTRY PARK** is the plan this week, so meet for bus SC X7 at 11am. Picnic or use the café at the park. **SW**

16th Tuesday 7.30pm FORENSIC SCIENCE & THE MICROSCOPE (PART 2) – further selection of members' contributions and short presentations. **MIC**

17th Wednesday 8.00pm IMPROMPTU PHOTOGRAPHIC NIGHTS. Come along with your camera gear. Subject to be agreed on the night and may be Post Processing (Photoshop), Still Life, Studio Flash, AV, or anything else you would like to cover. Guests are very welcome to join us where we will gladly assist with any photographic queries. **PHO**

18th Thursday 2.30pm "THAT'S HEAVY!" Sean Karley, Section President will explore the measurement and significance of density and mass in minerals and rocks. **GEO**

20th Saturday It is some time since we visited the attractive village of **KISLINGBURY**. Meet for bus SC D3 at 1.07pm. Drinks available nearby. **SW**

25th Thursday 2.30pm Lecture to be announced. **ZOO/ORTH**

27th Saturday RUSHMERE TO WORKBRIDGE is a popular route with the walkers! Meet for bus SC5 at 1.15pm. Tea and cake after the walk! **SW**

29th Monday 7.30pm TALKING ABOUT THE APOLLO YEARS Guest speaker Mike Leggett. To celebrate 50 years since the first Moon landing we have Dr Mike Leggett, Astronomy and space technology lecturer and writer talking about the Apollo years. Guests are very welcome. **AST**

31st Wednesday 8.00pm IMPROMPTU PHOTOGRAPHIC NIGHTS. Come along with your camera gear. Subject to be agreed on the night and may be Post Processing (Photoshop), Still Life, Studio Flash, AV, or anything else you would like to cover. Guests are very welcome to join us where we will gladly assist with any photographic queries. **PHO**

AUGUST 2019

3rd Saturday The village of **CRICK** is an established favourite venue, where we can walk beside the canal and across the fields. Food and drinks obtainable nearby. Meet for bus SC 96 at 10.40am. **SW**

3rd Saturday 11.00am to 12.30pm OUTREACH. With the increased interest in Climate amongst the younger generation we will look at educational aids available from various sources and discuss whether we should be aiming to provide sessions for them. If so should these be in a structured format. All input and views welcome. **MET**

6th Tuesday 7.30pm CAPTURING IMAGES WITH A MICROSCOPE by Mike Gibson and Mike Asquith. An overview of the software and hardware available to the amateur microscopist. With demonstrations of selected items. If you have a technique or equipment that may be of interest to others, please bring it along. A meeting to learn about new techniques and equipment. **MIC**

8th Thursday 2.30pm GEORGE CLARIDGE DRUCE. Presentation by section secretary John Peet on the life of eminent botanist George Claridge Druce MA LLD JP FRS FLS (1850-1932) - who founded the Northamptonshire Natural History Society in 1876 and became mayor of Oxford in 1901. **GEN**

10th Saturday We travel over the County border to **TURVEY** today. Meet for SC 41 at 12.44pm. Drinks available in the village. **SW**

12th Monday THE PERSEIDS METEOR SHOWER Observing meeting. Venue to be advised but possibly the car park on the Nene Valley Way between Brixworth and Spratton. Bring your DSLR's and tripods and see if we can capture a few bright ones. A deckchair or similar can be helpful. Dress for evening temperatures. **AST**

13th Tuesday 7:30pm ALL ABOUT BADGERS. This talk by Northamptonshire Badger Group will explore the ecology of badgers to dispel some of the myths and misunderstandings about the animal, covering; biology, setts, diet, reproduction,

communication and social organisation as well as current threats that badgers face today. Northamptonshire Badger Group is actively involved in the welfare of badgers across all Northamptonshire. Arranged by the WILDside project which the NNHS supports with the use of the Humfrey Rooms.

14th Wednesday 10.30am - 2.30pm OPEN HOUSE The Humfrey rooms will be open for members and guests to chat and study the literature, samples and exhibits. Tea and coffee available.

14th Wednesday 2.30pm In this meeting we will be looking at how a message was passed between Holyhead to Liverpool in 27 secs more than 150 years ago. **ARC/HIS**

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17th Saturday RECTORY FARM TO GREAT BILLING is this week's choice of venue. Meet for bus SC 1 at 1.19pm. Drinks available after the walk. **SW**

20th Tuesday 7.30pm. MEASURING AND COUNTING WITH A MICROSCOPE by Mike Gibson, Mike Asquith and Mike Holmes. Looking at ways of quantitating what you see under the microscope. Theory and demonstration followed by a practical session. **MIC**

21st Wednesday 2.30pm to 3.30pm AN INTRODUCTION TO TIDES, Speaker; Alan Harrison. The progressive nature of the astronomical tide, ranging between the high and low water marks, is quite a familiar feature when visiting the seaside and noteworthy for discussion. However, some other less well known orbital aspects must also be included for a more comprehensive picture, such as the equilibrium tide, amphidromic and resonant systems, and the part played by the Coriolis effect, particularly on the tidal range in coastal waters. All guests are welcome. **MET**

24th Saturday This Saturday we plan to go to the village of **EARLS BARTON**. Meet for SC X47 at 11.25am. Refreshments are available locally or take a picnic. **SW**

25th Sunday 11.00am Walk round HARLESTONE FIRS. This will be a slow walk looking and identifying any plants, insects and fungi found on the way under the expert guidance of Seán Karley and Roger Warren. Meet at the Main Gate opposite the Garden Centre (NN5 6UJ). Leaders Seán Karley Tel 01933 225397 & Roger Warren. **BOT**

28th Wednesday 8.00pm IMPROMPTU PHOTOGRAPHIC NIGHTS. Come along with your camera gear. Subject to be agreed on the night and may be Post Processing (Photoshop), Still Life, Studio Flash, AV, or anything else you would like to cover. Guests are very welcome to join us where we will gladly assist with any photographic queries. **PHO**

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31st Saturday We end the month of August with a trip to **RUSHDEN LAKES**. Meet for bus SC X46 at 10.55am. Picnic or use one of the cafes at the Lakes. **SW**