

Dorset Flora Group Field Meetings and Workshops for 2018

Recording Day for BSBI 2020 Atlas

Saturday 21st April 10am – 4pm

Chase Woods

A chance to fill in some gaps in the squares to the south of the county boundary in this heavily wooded part of Dorset. The area should have a good range of spring woodland flowers. Park at Shermel Gate at ST989192, just beyond Deanland on Dean Road from Sixpenny Handley. Limited parking, so please try to share lifts if possible. Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

Leaders: Andrew Branson and Robin Walls.

Contact for booking: Andrew Branson, tel: 01747 838223; andrew@3alpacas.co.uk.

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Saturday 5th May 10am – 4pm

Stubhampton Bottom and Ashmore Wood

This extensive area of plantations and ancient woodland is another good place to record spring woodland flora. Park at 'Washer's Pit' at ST897167, off the minor road west of the village of Ashmore. Limited parking, so please try to share lifts if possible. Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

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Saturday 2nd June 10am – 4pm

Corscombe, West Dorset

The area around the village of Corscombe in the north-west has been little recorded in recent years, so there is always the chance of turning up some interesting sites (there is a nearby Plantlife Reserve). Park opposite the church just up a no-through road (parking area to the left) in the south-east of the village at ST522048. Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

Leader: Robin Walls. Contact for booking: Robin Walls, robin@rmwalls.plus.com.

Carrot Family (Apiaceae) Workshop, Durlston Country Park

Saturday 30th June 10am – 4pm

Come along to this workshop led by Ted Pratt and brush up your Apiaceae (umbellifers) and learn how to identify some of the Dorset species of this important group of plants. The workshop will consist of a morning indoor session at the Learning Centre Activity Room at Durlston Country Park and NNR, Lighthouse Road, Swanage BH19 2JL, followed by a walk through the park in the afternoon, where eleven or so species of Apiaceae should be present. Booking essential.

Contact Ted Pratt, tel. 01929 427229; edwardpratt39@gmail.com. There is a fee of £10 (parking for the day at Durlston Country Park is an additional £5, so please try to share lifts).

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Saturday 7th July 10am – 4pm

Longburton and Holnest

A chance to record some of the squares in this delightful area of Dorset. We will meet at Ryewater Nursery by kind permission of Clive Farrell. Directions and parking tbc. Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

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Saturday 21st July 10 am – 4 pm

North Barn Farm, Long Bredy

Joint day with the South Dorset Ridgeway group to survey the flora across this extensive site of recently planted woodland. There are wide rides and areas of chalk grassland. Park in the farmyard (SY569918).

Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

Contact for booking: DERC derc@dorsetcc.gov.uk or tel. 01305 225081.

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Saturday 4th August 10am – 4pm

Buckland Newton

This is another delightful area of north Dorset tucked away in the chalk hills and relatively under-recorded in recent years. Parking tbc. Bring a packed lunch and wear sturdy boots as it may well be muddy under foot.

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