

Northwich Woodlands
Friends of Anderton and Marbury 25th Anniversary
FoAM and Rangers' Events Programme January – June 2024

Welcome to the Northwich Woodlands. The events and activities in this leaflet are organised and run by **volunteers** from the **Friends of Anderton and Marbury (FoAM)**, a registered charity, now celebrating its 25th Anniversary Year.



Some events need to be booked as spaces are limited. Please see the event description for more details and contact numbers. Events are free unless otherwise stated. Donations to **FoAM** are always welcome and help to fund future activities and park projects.

Saturday 27th January

Celebrating our Birds

Bird Walk in Big Wood, Marbury Country Park

How many birds can you identify in the Park?

Meet: 2:00 pm at Rangers' Cabin/Marbury Lodge

Full details and checklist on: www.foam.merseyforest.uk

For information, contact: Joanne Redley

Email: jarhillcliffe223@aol.com

Saturday 24th February

Celebrate Our Trees

Come and help plant some new hedgerows or woodland understorey. Please bring gloves and a spade if you have them.

Meet: 1.30 pm at the Rangers' Cabin

For information, contact: Melanie Bradley

Email: melanie.bradley@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Weekends of 2nd/3rd, 9th/10th, and 16th/17th March

Celebrating Local Photographers

Photographic Exhibition at Marbury

An exhibition of photos entered for FoAM's most recent Photo Competition in 2022.

From 12.00 – 3.00 pm in the Rangers' Cabin.

For information, contact: Joanne Redley

Email: jarhillcliffe223@aol.com

Monday 4th March

Celebrating our History

Robert Smith Barry of Marbury - The Man who Taught the World to Fly

Illustrated Talk by local historian Clive Brookes

In this newly researched talk, Clive Brookes introduces us to Robert Smith Barry, the last dynastic family member to own Marbury before he sold it to pay death duties. He was lured by fast cars, learned to fly the newfangled aeroplanes, and became a flying instructor. He was a founder member of the Royal Flying Corps. You can find further information about Robert Smith Barry on FoAM's website:

<http://www.foam.merseyforest.uk>

Doors open 7.45 pm at Comberbach Memorial Hall

For information, contact: Brenda Yates 07941 710791

Saturday 27th April

Celebrating our Flora

Springtime in Marbury Country Park

A guided walk, led by Steve Costa, to see the early woodland flowers.

Meet: 10:00 am at the Rangers' Cabin/Marbury Lodge

For information contact: Joanne Redley

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Saturday 11th May

Celebrating our Birds

Dawn Chorus Walk, Marbury Country Park

FoAM's birding experts will again lead this popular event for everyone interested in birds.

Meet: 4:00 am or 5:00 am at the Rangers' Cabin/Marbury Lodge

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Saturday 11th May

Celebrating our Extensive Path Network

Use your phone and the MapRun app to explore our beautiful parkland and find the checkpoints. Routes for walkers, runners, pushchairs and wheelchairs. For more information, please see posters around the park and our social media. Entry online to include map and refreshments.

For information, contact: Melanie Bradley

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Monday 13th May

FoAM 25th Anniversary AGM, Quiz and Supper – Celebrating 25 years of FoAM

Meet: 7.45 pm Comberbach Memorial Hall. There will be a charge for supper, payable in advance..

To book for the Quiz and Supper contact: Joanne Redley email: jarhillcliffe223@aol.com

Saturday 8th June

Celebrating with Art

Join the launch event for the Marbury Summer Outdoor Exhibition. Get help from local artists to create a Marbury inspired artwork. Art materials supplied but feel free to bring your own. Suitable for children and adults.

1.00 pm – 3.30 pm Meet at The Lodge

For information, contact: Melanie Bradley

Email: melanie.bradley@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Friday 21st June

Celebrating with Music

Folk in the Park

Northwich Folk Club invite you to join them for an informal evening of songs in the park. You can join in with voice or instrument, perform yourself or simply listen. Bring something to sit on, a picnic and refreshments (if you wish), plus anything else you need to relax in the open air until dusk. All welcome - just come along!

Location: Grass area in front of Rangers' Cabin

Time: 7.00 - 9.30 pm

For information, contact: Brenda Yates

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Saturday 29th June

Celebrating our Flora

Wildflower Walk in Anderton Nature Park

A guided walk to view the many summer wildflowers, led by Steve Costa.

Meet: 10:00 am, Anderton Nature Park car park

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