Ogston Bird Club Trips 2024

All trips will be by members cars. Full details are on the Club website under trips. Alternatively phone Martin Kaye 07833 720542

Trip	Day/Date	Meeting Point	Time	Dist from Chesterfield	Leader	Notes and target species
Frampton RSPB Deeping Lakes Willow tree Fen	13/1/24	RSPB reserve PE20 1AY TF356392	10:00	75 miles 2 hour	Steve Slack	Full day, packed lunch, Frampton - Lesser Yellow Legs, Bewicks/Whooper Swans, Glossy Ibis, Harriers. Deeping Lakes = Glossy Ibis, Long Eared Owls. Willow Tree Fen - Common Cranes, Harriers, Cattle Egret, Whoopers & Bewicks
Rufford CP and then possibly to Welbeck Watch Point for Raptors	Thursday 8/2/24	The main car park immediately east of the A614 Nottingham Ollerton road at SK644648 (NG22 9DF)	07:30	22 miles	Martin Kaye	Take lunch if you want to stay out into the afternoon. Short gentle walking around the park. Hawfinch are the target species and a possibility of Marsh Tits, Siskins and Lesser Redpol. At Welbeck we might be lucky and get a Goshawk as well as more common raptors.
Budby Common Nottinghamshire then Welbeck Raptor Watch Point	Wednesday 6/3/24	See map on website On A616 at SK622695	08:30	20 miles	Martin Kaye	Take lunch if you want to stay out into the afternoon. Short walk around Budby Commonneed boots. Woodlarks are the target species but should be plenty of other species to entertain. At Welbeck we might be lucky and get a Goshawk as well as more common raptors.
Cutthroat Bridge South Yorkshire	Wednesday 10/4/24	Car park in massive layby on south side A57 heading towards Sheffield at SK217875 one mile east of Ladybower Inn (map on website)	08:30	16 miles	Martin Kaye	Half/Full day depending on whether you opt for the short walk (2 miles) or the 5 mile tougher one (see website details under TRIPS/TRIPS DIARY) Looking for Ring Ouzels. Other species might include Red Grouse, Golden Plover, Raven, Kestrel and Peregrine.
Lawrence Field, Upper Padley Gorge, Bar Brook Plantation	Wednesday 8/5/24	Park at the side of the Grindleford to Foxhouse road (SK258800)	08:30	15 miles	Martin Kaye	Half/Full day (see website details under TRIPS/TRIPS DIARY) may need packed lunch. Dist 1-2 miles. Lawrencefield - Stonechat, Cuckoo, Tree Pipit, maybe Whinchat. Padley - Redstart, Pied + Spotted Flycatchers, maybe Wood Warbler + other woodland birds. Bar Brook - as above but more likely to get Whinchat.
Whisby Nature Park and RSPB Langford Lowfields	Wednesday 15/05/24	Whisby reserve is brown signed left from the roundabout on the A46 just west of Lincoln	09:30	45 miles	Steve Slack	Take lunch if you want to stay out into the afternoon. Short gentle walking around the reserves. Whisby - Blackcap, Garden Warbler, both types of Whitethoat. Langford Lowfields - Hobby and possibly Bittern and Bearded Tits
Nightjar trip	Wednesday evening 22/5/24	Flash Lane (Darley Moor) at large layby SK293694 (see map on website)	9pm	6 miles	Steve Slack	Arrive early for Tree Pipits and other woodland birds then as it turns dark, Nightjars and Woodcock
Annesley Pit Top	Wednesday 12/6/24	Newstead SK523530 (see map on website)	09:30	20 miles	Martin Kaye	Half day. Exploring a local nature reserve. Black-necked Grebe should be the stars but a good variety of birds, dragonflies and stunning wild flowers.
Blacktoft RSPB	Sunday 21/07/24	RSPB reserve DN14 8HR	09:30	60 miles 1 hour 15	Martin Kaye	Full day. Packed lunch. Water birds, Marsh Harriers and possibly Bearded Tits
Frampton RSPB	Sunday 04/08/24	RSPB reserve PE20 1AY TF356392	09:30	75 miles 2 hour	Martin Kaye	Full day. Packed lunch. Returning migrant waders e.g. Little Stint and Curlew Sandpiper, wildfowl including early geese and shelduck. Various Raptors. 50+ species!
Dearne Valley Tour	Wednesday 16/10/24	Edderthorpe Flash Wombwell Ings RSPB Old Moor	09:30	44 miles	Martin Kaye	Starting at Edderthorpe Flash (see map on website), a lovely reserve viewed from an area used regularly for flytipping but don't be put off (if you have a scope, bring it). Wombwell involves a bit of a walk but proper birding. Old Moor around lunch time with all its hides.
To be decided						