



Fylde Environmental Events 2019 Programme



Coastal Litter Critters for Global Recycling Day

Park View 4U (EcoPod)

Monday 18 March 2.00am - 4.00pm

Help us convert the collected litter and recyclable waste from our local beaches into art pieces! Use our arts and crafts equipment to create your favourite animal from the coast and create something beautiful out of an unwanted item that once posed a threat to our marine environment.

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Drop in at any time.



World Planting Day on Fylde Sand Dunes

North Beach Car Park
Clifton Drive North

Thursday 21 March 1.00pm - 3.00pm

To celebrate World Planting Day, we'll be planting dune grasses such as Marram and Lyme to help stabilise the sand dunes. Vegetation is vital to the stability of the dunes as it traps and anchors sand blown in from the beach, helping to build the sand dunes. Damage of the vegetation on dunes, often caused by human use, can lead to erosion and potentially reduce the dunes effectiveness in protecting from storm conditions. Join us to protect the dunes by planting vital grasses to trap and anchor sand particles. We'll provide all equipment needed. Just wear warm clothing and appropriate footwear.

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.





Bee Wild Day

QE11 Playing Fields (Park View Road)

Sunday 6 April 11.00am - 3.00pm

Create a buzz and learn all about the Park View 4U friendly pollinators, there will be a chance to look inside a bee hive, learn about beekeeping, try on a bee keeping suit, grow a wild flower meadow, bee crafts, Seriously Hooked Up crochet demonstrations, Urban Organic, Grans on The Make - Make a beeline project, and of course our world record breaking wooly bees will be for sale on the day

Free with small charge for some activities
No need to book,
just turn up on the day.

Ranger Egg Hunt

Kirkham Memorial Park

**Monday 8 April
1.00pm - 3.00pm**

Can your little ones complete this fun Easter egg hunt in a safe and natural environment? See if you can follow the clues and directions in this orienteering challenge around the beautiful Kirkham Memorial Gardens and remembrance way to win a chocolatey prize.

Free
Call 01253 658469
Or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



Pond Dipping

Tuesday 9 April 10.00am - 11.30am



Come along and join us dipping our nets into the dune slacks on Lytham St Anne's Local Nature Reserve. Swill around to see which insects and amphibians can be found lurking underwater.



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We'll have nets, trays, magnifying glasses and ID guides available to investigate and identify all the weird and wonderful creatures you might find!

Free
No need to book,
just turn up on the day.



Signs of Spring #hlfsupported

Fairhaven Lake and Gardens

Wednesday 10 April

1.00pm - 3.00pm



Join the Fylde Rangers to investigate the signs of spring at Fairhaven! See what bugs are emerging and what birds you can spot, make a spring sensory box to take home with you. Meet by the Spitfire.

Free
Call 01253 658469
Or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



Rockpool Ramble

Solaris Centre (Glitter Ball)

Thursday 11 April
Friday 9 August

10.00am - 11.30am
10.00am - 11.30am

Join us on this Rockpool Ramble as we explore the weird and wonderful rockpools created on Blackpool's sea wall.

Prepare to be mystified by the intriguing lives of the creatures we discover, such as crabs, anemones, shrimps, mussels and honeycomb worms.

There will be plenty of ID guides to help you learn about your finds. Bring a bucket and small net if you have them. Dress for the weather and wear waterproof shoes or wellies!

Meet underneath the Glitter Ball, opposite Blackpool's Solaris Centre.

Free
No need to book,
just turn up on the day.



Litter Critters Exhibition

Park View 4U (EcoPod)

Saturday 13 April - Sunday 21 April

Come along to our week long exhibition displaying marine art created from our coastal litter critters workshops at the EcoPod at Park View 4U. These pieces of artwork have been created from litter collected from our local beaches in an effort to raise awareness about coastal litter pollution and single-use plastics that plague our marine environment.

Come along and have a look at our exhibition! The exhibition will close on Sunday 21st April when you are able to collect your artwork if you contributed to our display.

Free

Please call Park View 4U on 01253 741955 ahead of your visit to ensure the EcoPod is open.



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Little Green Fingers Freckleton Memorial Park

Monday 15 April 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Learn how to be an eco-gardener in the park and take home your very own flower, fruit or veg that you have planted! Decorate your own plant pot to make it your own to brighten up your window sill. Perfect for kids aged 4 - 10 during the Easter holidays.

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Beach Bonanza

Beach Terrace Café

Tuesday 16 April 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Do you enjoy spending time at the beach? From sand dunes to saltmarsh your local coastal area has so much to offer. Come and explore the sunny seaside as there is plenty to learn about the fascinating marine environment. So join us for a day of fun-filled beach activities, including mud dipping, strandline searching, a sandcastle competition, beach cleans and plenty more activities. It's going to be shrimply the best!

Free

No need to book,
just turn up on the day.

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Easter Egg Case Hunt

North Promenade

Wednesday 17 April

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Come and join us for an egg hunt with a twist! We'll be hunting for shark, skate and ray eggcases (mermaid's purses) on the strandline.

At least 21 species of skate, ray and shark are found in UK waters and as some species will lay eggs all year round, it's time to go on an egg hunt!



We want to find out what species might have been laying their eggs in the Irish Sea and help The Shark Trust with important marine conservation.

Free
No need to book,
just turn up on the day.

Ranger Egg Hunt

Ashton Gardens

Thursday 18 April

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Can your little ones complete this fun Easter egg hunt in a safe and natural environment? See if you can follow the clues and directions in this orienteering challenge around the beautiful Ashton Gardens to win a chocolatey prize.

We want to find out what species might have been laying their eggs in the Irish Sea and help The Shark Trust with important marine conservation.

Free
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Discover Fairhaven's Wildlife Fairhaven Lake

Tuesday 7 May 11.30am - 2.30pm

Join us to discover the wildlife of Fairhaven, we will be covering the birds of the lake, parkland and estuary and also the wildflowers and plants that make the surrounding sand dunes so special. Please bring appropriate clothing and a packed lunch.

Free

Booking is essential at the RSPB or call 01253 796292

Shoreline Walk for World Migratory Bird Day

Fylde Council
Granny's Bay

Saturday 11 May 3.00pm - 4.00pm

The Ribble Estuary is one of the most important locations in Europe for wading and migratory birds. In the winter time, the estuary is home to around 150,000 wading birds and is classed as an internationally important refuge for 16 bird species. To celebrate 'World Migratory Bird Day' come and join us on a FREE shoreline walk in Lytham and witness the wonders of the Ribble Estuary and it's wildlife.

Please remember to wear appropriate footwear.

Free

To book, please email Amy on apennington@lancswt.org.uk or call 07860 954290



Out of the Woods

Park View Playing Fields

Sunday 12 May

10.00am - 4.00pm

Out of the woods is a family festival which aims to celebrate all things natural and to promote a sustainable and environmentally friendly way of living promoting a more collective, more simple, and more eco-friendly kind of life.



We are pleased to welcome Giles Newman spoon carving (as seen on Kirstie Allsop's programme). There will also be Willow weaving workshops, Seriously Hooked Up wooly tree bombing, chainsaw carving demos, Forest School activities, stalls, and much more!

There will be a small charge for some of the activities and workshops. No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Discover Wrea Green

Grapes Hotel

Tuesday 14 May

1.00pm - 3.00pm

This walk entails a circular walk around Wrea Green village, taking in the beautiful village green and Fylde's rural heartland before heading around the tranquil woodlands of the Ribby Hall estate. Please note that some roadside walking will be involved. For able walkers. Please bring your own refreshments or a spot of lunch. Please wear appropriate footwear.



Free - Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Survey on Lytham St Annes Local Nature Reserve for World Biodiversity Day

St Annes
Nature Reserve

Wednesday 22 May

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Join us on Lytham St Anne's Local Nature Reserve to help survey and record the wildlife that exists there. You can have a go at surveying plants, birds, butterflies, moths, invertebrates and many more! Please park on North Beach Car Park and walk over to meet us at our base behind the yellow nature reserve hut.

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.



Fairhaven Open Day

Fairhaven Lake

Sunday 26 May **10.00am - 4.00pm**



Come and join us for a full day of activities and see what Fairhaven has to offer. Have a go at sailing, tennis, bowls, archery and lots more! We will also have lots of stalls from local projects and activities for you to get involved in!

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Mud Dipping

Beach Terrace Café

Tuesday 28 May **10.00am - 11.30am**
Monday 29 July **1.00pm - 2.30pm**



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Join us on St Anne's beach as we discover the mysterious creatures living within the mud of the Ribble Estuary! We will be digging around to find all sorts of hidden animals such as worms, shrimps, snails and fascinating tellin shells, which can bury themselves with a giant foot! There will be plenty of ID guides to help you learn about your finds. Please remember to wear wellies or old shoes and prepare to get muddy! We will meet on the beach, at the bottom of the slipway to the left hand side of the car park (if you are facing the beach). Look for our flag!



Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Little Green Fingers

Kirkham Memorial Park

Wednesday 29 May **1.00pm - 3.00pm**



Learn how to be an eco-gardener in the park and take home your very own flower, fruit or veg that you have planted! Decorate your own plant pot to make it your own to brighten up your window sill. Ideal for kids aged 4 -10 during half term.

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Mini-Beast Hunting

North Promenade

Thursday 30 May
Wednesday 31 May

1.00pm - 2.00pm
1.00pm - 2.30pm



Join us on a minibeast adventure in the sand dunes as we use bug hunting equipment to find and name the many mini creatures that live in the dunes. Prepare to be amazed by beautiful cinnabar moths, caterpillars, ladybirds, banded snails and even earwigs, beetles and spiders!

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Butterfly Survey for Butterfly Education and Awareness Day

St Annes Nature Reserve

Sunday 2 June 1.00pm - 2.00pm

To raise awareness of butterflies and how important they are as pollinators, the Butterfly Association wants you to get involved! In order to help you do this, we're offering asking for people to come along to Lytham St Anne's Local Nature Reserve to help us spot and record our fluttery friends!



Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Discover Medlar with Wesham

Wesham Community Centre

Tuesday 4 June 1.00pm - 3.00pm

This walk entails both a rural and urban mix of central Fylde, as we leave the vibrant town of Wesham and head into the surrounding countryside, including the nearby Wesham Marsh, one of the besting birding sites in the area! Please note, there is some roadside walking involved. For walkers of all abilities. Please bring your own refreshments and wear appropriate footwear.



Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

World Oceans Day

Please visit website
for times and venue

Saturday 8 June

Please see website for times



World Oceans Day is held every year on 8th June to raise awareness of the vital importance of our oceans and the role they play in sustaining a healthy planet. A global celebration, it looks to bring people and organisations together across the globe in a series of events highlighting how we can all help protect our oceans.

We'll be celebrating World Oceans Day in Blackpool where lots of businesses, organisations, charities and thalassophile's alike will be teaming together at an event to celebrate our Irish Sea and Fylde Coast.

Keep your eyes peeled on the events page of the Living Seas NW website for updates!

www.livingseasnw.org.uk/events

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



Our oceans, our future

World Oceans Day



Discover Rural Singleton

Millers Arms (Weeton Rd)

Thursday 20 June 1.00pm - 3.00pm



This walk entails a circular walk around historic Singleton village, taking in rural northern Fylde, farmland, parkland and woodland you might not have even known existed. Discover how Singleton developed and grew thanks to the wealth created from industrial Lancashire. A truly fascinating and beautiful walk. Please note there is some roadside walking involved. For walkers of all abilities. Please bring your own refreshments and wear appropriate footwear.

Free - Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Discover Treales and Lancaster Canal

Derby Arms (Church Rd)

Wednesday 10 July 12.30pm - 3.00pm

One of our most tranquil, picturesque and historic walks. Take in Fylde's agricultural heartland, leaving the peaceful village of Treales and heading east towards Salwick before joining the banks of the canal for a short walk along the fascinating and idyllic Lancaster Canal. The walk also passes two of the boroughs finest country pubs! Some undulating terrain and styles involved – for abled walkers. Please bring your own refreshments and wear appropriate footwear.

Free - Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk





BioBlitz

St Annes Nature Reserve

Friday 12 July - Saturday 13 July 10.00am - 3.00pm

A BioBlitz is defined as an intense period of biological surveying in an attempt to record all the living species within a designated area, over a continuous time period. We're calling for all wildlife enthusiasts to come along to Lytham St Anne's Local Nature Reserve over Friday 12th and Saturday 13th July to help us record the magnitude of species that exists on the reserve. Whether your an expert or a beginner we'd love to see you! All equipment will be provided but please wear appropriate clothing.

Park on North Beach Car Park and walk over to meet us at our base behind the yellow hut on the nature reserve.



Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day. Drop in at any time.



Themed Treasure Hunt

Lowther Gardens

Wednesday 24 July

Wednesday 31 July

Wednesday 7 August

Wednesday 14 August

Wednesday 21 August

Wednesday 28 August



10.00am - 12noon

As part of Lowther Pavillion's Theatre in the Park, the Rangers are putting on a series of in-keeping themed Treasure Hunts. Can your little ones complete this fun treasure hunt in a safe and natural environment? See if you can follow the clues and directions in this orienteering challenge around the beautiful Lowther Gardens to win a prize.

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Ranger Sports Day

Lowther Gardens

Friday 26 July

12noon - 3.00pm



If your family wants to keep fit and try a few different sports for free in a safe and non-competitive environment then come down and meet the rangers and Lowther Gardens. We'll be setting up tennis, crazy golf, boccia, much more including improving your football skills and accuracy.

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Eggcase Hunt

North Promenade Car Park

Tuesday 30 July

1.00pm - 2.00pm



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Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



Beach Bushcraft #hlfsupported

Fairhaven Road (Beach Café)

Thursday 1 August

1.00pm - 3.00pm

The Fylde ranger team will be leading us on some adventurous activities on the beach and sand dunes! Learn how to build a fire safely and other skills to survive in the wild!

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

North Promenade Car Park

Tuesday 6 August

12.30pm - 2.30pm



We're Going on a Bear Hunt! Join us on Fylde Sand Dune's for an exciting adventure through swishy swashy grass, thick oozy mud, a (Christmas tree) forest, a deep dark cave and a sand storm! Navigate your way through the story and through the dunes and beach to find the bear!

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.



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Seashore Detective

North Beach Car Park

Wednesday 7 August

10.00am - 11.30am

Get your wellies on and become a seashore detective as we explore the beautiful Fylde coast and its sea edge for marine life! Investigate the strandline to see what exciting things you might find and collect sea shells to see if you can identify what animal used to live in them.



Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Beach Art

Beach Terrace Café

Thursday 8 August 1.00pm - 2.30pm



Get your creative juices flowing on the beach at St Anne's for our 'Beached Art' competition. Bring a bucket and spade and create a marine-themed sand art sculpture masterpiece. At 2pm all entries will be judged and the top 3 sculptures will receive a prize!

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.



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St Anne's Kite Festival

North Promenade

Saturday 10 August and Sunday 11 August

11.00am - 5.00pm

This event will make the skies above St Anne's seafront awash with colour as fabulous display kites take to the air on the beach adjacent to the pier.

Weather permitting, the event promises a thrilling and thoroughly enjoyable day out for young and old alike. This year the weekend kite festival runs from 11.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday and Sunday. Time to gather friends and family together for All The Fun Of The Air! There is also an illuminated kite flying evening on the evening of Friday 9th August.

And don't forget to bring your teddy bear or cuddly toy to take part in the teddy parachute drop. Each brave teddy will receive a very special certificate of achievement. For more information please visit:
www.discoverfylde.co.uk/kites-2

Free to attend *but car parking charges may apply.*

No booking required unless you wish to become an exhibitor.



Seaside Orienteering

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Fairhaven Lake
(Private Cove Play Area)

Tuesday 13 August 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Take up the family orienteering challenge with the Fylde rangers, work as a team to find all the clues around the park and see if you can find the prize!

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



Fylde Coastal Fair

Lytham Green
(Within the 1940's Wartime Festival)

Saturday 17 August and Sunday 18 August
10.00am - 4.30pm

Are you interested in the marine environment? Do you want to know more about marine conservation on the Fylde Coast? Then please come and visit our Coastal Fair Marquee at the Lytham 1940's Wartime Festival. You can have the opportunity to talk to many local wildlife charities and organizations who work hard to protect your local coastline. Come and learn more about what we do and how you might get involved.

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.



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Lytham 1940's Wartime Festival

Saturday 17 August and Sunday 18 August
10.00am - 4.30pm

Join us for a spectacular and very popular event as we remember the wartime era in Lytham. Over the weekend, there's battle re enactments, live singing and dancing, static vehicles and aircraft, vehicle parade, military charities and so much more. Forty thousand people enjoy this wartime spectacle, including World War Two Veterans who are of course we are extremely honoured to welcome.

The main events take place on Lytham Green and the shops in the centre of Lytham get into the wartime spirit too by dressing up with bunting, sandbags and more. For more information please visit:

www.discoverfylde.co.uk/lytham1940s/

Free

*Parking on Lytham Green
available for £5 per car per day.*

No need to book,
just turn up on the day.





Family Heritage at Fairhaven Fairhaven Lake

Thursday 22 August

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Join us for an afternoon of traditional seaside activities. The Victorians made trips to the seaside a British institution, learn about the heritage of Fairhaven while taking part in fun games, activities and crafts. Drop in anytime at the gazebo next to Pirate Cove Play area.

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



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Teddy Bear's Picnic Freckleton Memorial Park

Tuesday 27 August

11.00am - 1.00pm

If you go down to Freckleton Park today.....you're in for fun and games! Start with a bug hunt around the park, then bring your favourite teddy bear along to our Ranger teddy bears picnic, and join in some of our fun outdoor games. A great way to spend a summer's day – fun guaranteed!

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



Sea Watch

Rossall Point Observation Tower

Thursday 21 March

10.30am - 12.30pm

Thursday 18 April

10.30am - 12.30pm

Thursday 16 May

9.00am - 11.00am

Thursday 6 June

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Thursday 4 July

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Thursday 1 August

11.00am - 1.00pm

Thursday 29 August

10.00am - 12noon

Thursday 19 September

1.00pm - 3.00pm



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Join us to help spot the seals, porpoises, dolphins, whales and seabirds of the Fylde coast. We will be recording the species for The Sea Watch Foundation and contributing to vital marine conservation. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars if you have them. Don't feel the need to stay for the whole watch, just drop in and out when you want.

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Discover Wrea Green

Grapes Hotel (car park)

Wednesday 4 September

1.00pm - 3.00pm

This walk entails a circular walk around Wrea Green village, taking in the beautiful village green and Fylde's rural heartland before heading around the tranquil woodlands of the Ribby Hall estate. Please note that some roadside walking will be involved. For able walkers. Please bring your own refreshments or a spot of lunch. Please wear appropriate footwear.

Free

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Fairhaven Regatta

Fairhaven Lake

Sunday 8 September

11.00am - 4.00pm

We're going to be making a splash at Fairhaven bringing back the much loved regattas! We will have a full day of water sport demonstrations, races and lots of activities to take part in.

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



River Ribble Ramble

Lancashire Coastal Way
(Meet at the Ship Inn car park)

Tuesday 24 September

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Join us in discovering Fylde's stunning southern boundary on this fascinating guided walk along the River Ribble. Take in the sounds of the songbirds or fighter jets overhead, sights of the wading birds over estuary from Naze Point and smells of the saltmarsh and wild Garlic! This walk will take you through Freckleton's hidden farmland, out onto the saltmarsh adjacent to the river, and back round the airstrip at Warton. For abled walkers. Please bring water/refreshments. This walk may be wet under foot so please bring appropriate footwear.

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



World Habitat Day Creating Dunes



North Beach (car park)

Tuesday 1 October

10.00am - 2.00pm

For 'World Habitat Day' we'll be out erecting fencing on the sand dunes at North Beach. Porous structures such as chestnut paling fencing helps to build new dunes by slowing wind velocity and encouraging sand particles to deposit around the barrier. In this way we can trap wind-blown sand and widen the dunes towards the sea creating new dune habitat. We'll provide all necessary equipment, just bring a packed lunch and wear appropriate clothing and footwear.

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



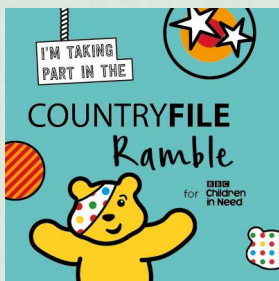
Countryfile Ramble for BBC Children in Need

Lancashire
Coastal Way
(Meet at the Ship Inn car park)

Sunday 6 October

1.00pm

Fylde Ranger Service in conjunction with Councillor Thomas Threlfall are looking to make a difference for BBC children in Need right here in Fylde. We are hosting a beautiful Countryfile Children in Need ramble starting and



ending in Freckleton, taking in the stunning Lancashire Coastal way, banks of the River Ribble and historic BAE systems at Warton. Taking place on Sunday 6th October 2019 at 1pm, we're hoping for as much support as possible. The Ranger service, along with a bit of help from Pudsey, will lead the flat walk for all ages and abilities.

We leave from the Ship Inn pub, Bunker Street, Freckleton, Preston, PR4 1HA. Allow around two hours for the walk, but you can take as little, or as long as you like.

So please spread the word and show your support for this fantastic event.

Free

All donations go straight to BBC Children in Need

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Ranger Spook Hunt

Fairhaven Lake

Monday 21 October

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Can your little ones complete this fun Halloween ghoulish hunt in a safe and natural environment? See if you can follow the clues and directions in this orienteering challenge around the beautiful Kirkham Memorial Gardens and remembrance way to win a spooky prize.

Ideal for kids aged 4-10 during half term.

Free

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Autumn Bushcraft #hlfsupported

Fairhaven Lake

Tuesday 22 October

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Join the Fylde Rangers to find out about how Fairhaven's wildlife gets ready for winter. Can you build the best den and find the autumn leaf colour chart? Meet by the Spitfire.

Free

Call 01253 658469 or Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk



Driftwood Wand Making

Beach Terrace Café

Wednesday 23 October

10.30am - 11.30am

Join the Fylde Sand Dunes Project team to collect driftwood from the seaside and use our arts and crafts to create them into a magic wand! We look forward to seeing all your unique wand creations!



Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.

Monster Mud Dip and Spooky Sand Sculptures

Beach Terrace Café

Thursday 24 October

10.30am - 12noon

Join us this October half term on the beach as we discover the mysterious muddy monsters living in the Ribble Estuary! We will be digging around to find all sorts of hidden animals such as worms, shrimps, snails and fascinating tellin shells, which can bury themselves with a giant foot!

There will be plenty of ID guides to help you learn about your finds and plenty of wading birds to admire too. Wear wellies or old shoes and prepare to get muddy! We will meet on the beach at the bottom of the slipway on Fairhaven Road car park (by Beach Terrace Café).

Free - No need to book, just turn up on the day.



Halloween Scavenger Hunt

North Promenade (car park)

Friday 25 October

12.30pm - 2.30am



Join us this October half-term on our 'Halloween Scavenger Hunt' . Follow spooky wildlife clues to navigate around the sand dunes and beach, learning about weird and wonderful wildlife.

Who knows what spooky creature you might find?!

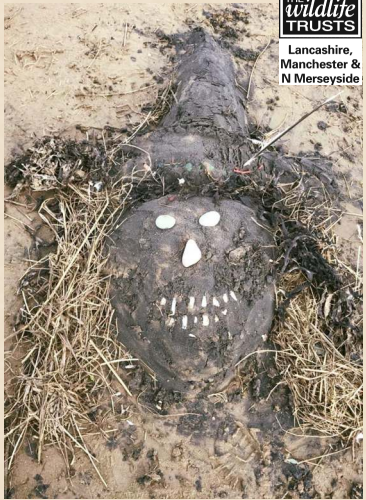
Please meet underneath the gazebo to the right hand side of North Promenade Car Park in

St Anne's. As always, look for the flag!

Please wear appropriate footwear and clothing for walking along sand dunes in October!

Free

No need to book, just turn up on the day.



Happy Halloween

Ashton Gardens

Saturday 26 October

11.00am - 1.00am



Free

Call 01253 658469 or

Email rangers@fylde.gov.uk

Prepare for Halloween 2019 and get creative with the rangers at this fun Halloween event. Opportunities to decorate and carve your own Pumpkins, join in with arts and craft and maybe even try Pumpkin soup....if you dare! Great for kids during half term!



The Fylde Sand Dunes Project Guided Walks

North Beach Car Park

Sunday 3rd February
Saturday 16th February
Sunday 3rd March
Saturday 30th March
Sunday 14th April
Saturday 27th April
Sunday 12th May
Sunday 9th June
Sunday 30th June

Saturday 20th July
Sunday 4th August
Saturday 24th August
Sunday 15th September
Saturday 28th September
Sunday 20th October
Sunday 17th November
Saturday 14th December

10.00am - 12.00pm

Come along and discover the wonders of our coastline with our passionate and informative volunteers.

Lancashire Wildlife Trust, Fylde Council and Blackpool Council work in partnership on the Fylde Sand Dunes Project in order to enhance the nature conservation interest, public appreciation and enjoyment of the dunes. The guided walks aim to promote the importance of our amazing dunes and to provide information about the project and our local wildlife.

Please wear appropriate footwear as the ground may be uneven. Not suitable for those with mobility difficulties.

Free to attend
but car parking charges may apply.



Regular Volunteering Opportunities on the Flyde Coast

The Fylde Sand Dunes Project

Blackpool Council

Environment Agency

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THE WILDLIFE TRUSTS
Lancashire, Manchester & N Merseyside

The Fylde Sand Dunes are an important feature of our coastline, covering approximately 80 hectares between Starr Gate in the North and Lytham in the South. The borough of Fylde contains more than 90% of Lancashire's sand dunes. Unfortunately over the past 150 years, more than 80% of our sand dunes have been lost, mainly due to urban expansion of Blackpool and St Anne's.

The Fylde Sand Dunes Project is a partnership project between Fylde Council, Blackpool Council and The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside, it was created to:

- Enhance the nature conservation interest of coastal habitats
- Improve the efficiency of the dunes and saltmarsh as soft sea-defence
- Enhance public appreciation and enjoyment of the dunes

The project carries out regular practical conservation methods on the dunes which includes:

- Controlling invasive non-native species
- Repairing the dunes by thatching and filling blow-outs to reduce sand loss from the system
- Developing pathways to create recognisable access points and reduce dune erosion
- Creating dune slacks to encourage a greater diversity of wildlife
- Planting dune grasses and using chestnut paling and other natural materials to trap wind-blown sand and create new dunes on the foreshore.

Get Involved

We hold regular volunteer work parties every Thursday from 10.00am to 3.00pm. If you are passionate about your local area and keen to make a difference, please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator:

E: volunteer@lancswt.org.uk

T: 01772 318374

Or alternatively register online at www.lancswt.org.uk/volunteer



Fylde Sand Dunes



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Living Seas North West



Living Seas North West is a collaboration between the North West Wildlife Trusts to deliver our vision of Living Seas across the region.



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Along the Fylde Coast, Marine Officers from Lancashire Wildlife Trust deliver a programme of inspirational and engaging marine activities that raise awareness about how important the marine life of Our Irish Sea is. They work with the public, schools and community groups, encouraging people to explore and value their coastline. They are challenging and changing perceptions of the Irish Sea and inspiring local communities to care for their coasts and seas. With the invaluable help of our supporters, volunteers and members Lancashire Wildlife Trust are campaigning for the designation and management of a network of Marine Conservation Zones throughout the Irish Sea and the conservation of the wider marine environment.

If you would like to find out more about the fascinating marine life of the Irish Sea, more information about our programme of events or how you can support the designation of Marine Conservation Zones throughout the Irish Sea, visit www.livingseanw.org.uk

Also check out our @LivingsSeasNW Facebook, Twitter or Instagram pages.



Beach School



Fylde Beach School project is a partnership between Lancashire Wildlife Trust, Park View 4U and Fylde Council. Beach School is a new, unique outdoor learning experience offered to local schools that aims to improve student's knowledge about their local coastal environment by connecting children and young people with nature. Following the same ethos as Forest School, our Beach School project aims to use the coast as a platform for a whole new learning experience, in order to provide children with the opportunity to explore their natural surroundings in an organised setting.

Through a variety of games and activities, Beach School sessions aim to educate children about their local coastal environment and how they can help to sustain it for future generations. The topics explored during beach school sessions may include:

- How to behave sensibly and act responsibly when using the beach
- Exploring the natural coastal environment – Rock pooling, mud dipping, pond dipping (in dune slacks), mini-beast hunting in sand dunes, strandline searches, egg case hunts etc.
- Seasons and tides
- Pressures on the marine environment; including over fishing, marine pollution and plastics
- Species identification and information
- Coastal habitats
- Understanding sea defences – hard/soft defences
- How marine flora and fauna are adapted to survive in their environment
- Practical conservation on the sand dunes
- Guided walks along the beach/sand dunes
- Mini beach cleans
- Environmental/marine art
- Map reading/orienteering
- Survival skills: including building shelters, fire lighting and outdoor cooking

Within these activities children will also develop primary skills such as team working, basic instincts, confidence in an outdoor setting, emotional intelligence, social skills, and assessing risk in a safe environment. For more information please visit: www.livingseasnw.org.uk/fylde-beach-school or to make a booking please contact us on ecopod@parkview4u.org.uk or 01253 741955

LOVEmyBEACH on the Fylde coast works to inspire and empower communities to take care of their local beach environment. People can show they love their beach by heading out on a beach clean or even just taking 2 minutes to pick up litter when out for a walk. You can even do your bit at home – remember to only ever flush the 3 p's – pee, poo & paper! And check your drains are connected right so we don't have dirty water going straight out to sea. Find out how you can get involved and the top ten actions you can take at lovemybeach.org

We work with volunteer beach clean groups across the Fylde coast who do an amazing job of helping to keep their local beach clean.

Want to get involved? Here's some local groups:



St Annes NORTH Beach Care Group

When: Weekly, every Tuesday at 10.00am

Meeting point: St Annes North beach car park, FY8 2TR

Info: emma.whitlock@keepbritaintidy.org

07918 054 600



St Annes Pier Beach Care Group

When: Weekly, every Tuesday at 10.00am

Meeting point: St Annes Pier, St Annes, FY8 1SB

Info: emma.whitlock@keepbritaintidy.org

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Fairhaven Coastal Care Group

When: Weekly, every Wednesday at 10.00am

Meeting point: St Pauls Car Park at Fairhaven Lake, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1BD

Info: emma.whitlock@keepbritaintidy.org

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LOVEmyBEACH



Friends of the Estuary Coastal Care Group

When: Weekly, every Monday at 10:15am

Meeting Point: Lytham Lifeboat Station Car Park, FY8 1SJ

Info: www.friends-of-the-estuary.co.uk

30 Days Wild!

Make room for nature this June with the Wildlife Trust's month-long nature challenge! No matter where you are or how busy your life, we're asking you to try and make June the month when you do something wild every day for 30 days.



Contact Lancashire Wildlife Trust to sign up and we'll send you a free inspiring pack full of a full of goodies, encouragement and ideas for Random Acts of Wildness. You'll also receive a funky wallchart to track your progress, a wild badge, and regular blasts of inspiration straight to your inbox to help you make nature part of your life.



Alternatively, you can download our 30 days wild app (available on iPhone and Android). It offers 101 'Random Acts of Wildness' for inspiration, enabling you to select wildlife activity ideas from beautifully photographed wildlife cards. You can even share activities and inspiration on social media, through direct messaging or email.

So please sign up and give it a go! After all, "All our lives are better if they're a bit wild!"

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Are you ready
to go wild for
30 days?



The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside

The Wildlife Trust for Lancashire, Manchester and North Merseyside was founded in 1962 by people who knew they needed to take action. Since then they have grown to be the largest nature conservation body in the area.



They are uniquely positioned to lead change our region, working at a grass roots, local level whilst also being part of a strong cohesive movement. They have the powerful voices of over 28,000 members, providing invaluable support. They also engage over 4,000 volunteers and deliver environmental education to around 20,000 children each year.

The main aims of the Wildlife Trust are:

- To protect, create and enhance wildlife in our region, creating living landscapes and living seas
- To stand up for wildlife and the environment
- To foster sustainable One Planet Living, where the natural environment is appreciated as essential for supporting life
- To ensure our work is based on knowledge and sound evidence
- To be recognised and respected for our work
- To inspire people about the natural world and encourage everyone to take action for wildlife



Did You Know?

There are currently two Lancashire Wildlife Trust projects on the Fylde Coast:


1. The Fylde Sand Dunes Project
2. Living Seas North West


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