

Foray Programme 2012
Held in association with the British Mycological Society

Please note that forays are not suitable for very small children. Bring strong footwear, food and drink. If travelling a considerable distance to a foray it is advisable to confirm with the leader that the foray is taking place, as on extremely rare occasions forays have had to be changed at short notice. **DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

Beginners are welcome at all forays. Further details about terrain and accessibility of sites can be obtained by contacting the foray leader. Most venues have their own website.

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Sunday 11th March - Moses Gate Country Park, Farnworth. Meet 10.30. Heading towards Bolton from M60 / M61 leave at Jct3 Kearsley roundabout turning left onto the A666 carry on through Farnworth until reaching Moses Gate. Still on the A666, just through lights at Moses Gate bearing left, turn right taking the A6053 towards Little Lever. Country Park car park just on right. SD742069 (Sheet 109) (BL4 7QN). Leader - Peter Smith (01204-843439)

Sunday 22nd April - Ken Jordan Memorial Foray at Ainsdale NNR, Merseyside. Meet 10.30 at Freshfield Station car park SD291084 (Sheet 108) (L37 7DD). Leave A565 Formby-by-Pass onto B5424 at roundabout signposted for Formby Point BUT at mini roundabout keep straight on until Freshfield Road then turn right. (OR go by train). Leader - Tony Carter (0151-724-4600).

Sunday 13th May - Roddlesworth, west Darwen. Meet 10.30 Visitor Centre. Take minor road off A675 to Royal Arms (BB3 0PA). Drive through PH car park to Visitor Centre car park. SD665215 (Sheet103).

Sunday 17th June - Moor Piece NR, Bashall Eaves. Meet 10.30 in Bashall Eaves Village Hall car park at SD696434 (Sheet 103) (BB7 3DA) on right just past Red Pump Inn before onward journey to the Reserve. (Follow signs for Whitewell/Trough of Bowland). Terrain is rough and wet. Leader - Irene Ridge (01254-247274)

Sunday 15th July - Etherow Country Park, Stockport. Meet 10.30. From M60 Jct 25 exit for Bredbury and follow A560 for 1.7 miles. Then right onto the A627 at George Lane, travelling south to the B6104. Turn left to Compstall and follow the brown road signs turning left to the car park off George Street. SJ965909 (Sheet 109) (SK6 5JD). Leader - Liz Moore (0161-432-9124). Report to the Leader on arrival for instructions as to parking.

Sunday 5th August - Goyt Valley, Errwood. Meet 10.30. From A5004 (Whaley Bridge to Buxton road, signposted Macclesfield (B5470) at A6) turn west signposted Goyt Valley. Cross dam to meet at car park SK 013758 (Sheet 119). Leader - Norman Bamforth (0161-336-3914)

Sunday 19th August - Risley Moss, North Warrington. Meet 10.30. Access from M62 Jct 11. Continue along A574 to first island, turn left. Reserve signposted. Ample parking space. SJ665922 (Sheet 109) (WA3 6QS). Leader - Irene Ridge (01254-247274). **If there is sufficient interest we can hold a microscope workshop: contact Irene Ridge BY JUNE 1ST to prebook.**

Sunday 2nd September - Carr Mill Dam. Meet at 10.30 in car park of The Waterside Premier Inn SJ524976 (Sheet 108) (WA11 7LX). Entrance off A571 to Billinge at junction with A580(T). Leader - Tony Carter (0151-724-4600).

Sunday 16th September - Moore Nature Reserve, Warrington - Meet 10.30. 2 miles south of Warrington on A56 turn north to Moore at traffic lights at Higher Walton. 1 mile turn right, crossing railway and ship canal. Go to end of road to reach entrance. Car park to right of entrance road. SJ578855 (Sheet 108). Leader - Paul Hamlyn (0161-434-1401). For Beginners

Friday 28th September to Monday 1st October - Residential Foray at Keswick Convention Centre. Cost inc. meals, for members and for non-members will be announced later. Booking form in Newsletter. Contact Irene Ridge (01254-247274)

Sunday 14th October – Rostherne Mere. Meet 10.30. Take the third turn on the left going south on the Chester Road (A556) from the M56 Jct 8. The car park is 200 yards past the church on the left hand side SJ742834 (Sheet 109) (WA16 6SB). Or park on the road. Leader - Tim Rogers (07890949997).

Sunday 28th October - Ainsdale NNR. Merseyside. Meet 10.30 car park near warden's house. SD303112 (Sheet 108) (PR8 3QW). Take A565 north past Woodvale Airport, turn on to Coastal Road, over railway bridge and left into private drive. Leader - Tony Carter (0151-724-4600)

Sunday 4th November – Dovestone. Meet 10.30. From Greenfield Railway Station, down the hill and follow A669, Chew Valley Road past new Tesco, then bear left at mini roundabout (Clarence pub) up the A635 Holmfirth Road (if from Ashton join here), then fork right after about 1/2 mile down Banks Lane (brown signposted Dovestone) past the public car park to Dovestone Sailing Club Car Park. SE015032 (Sheet 110) (OL3 7NE). Leader – Ken Gartside (01457 829938).

About the North West Fungus Group

The North West Fungus Group is a regional *umbrella* group aiming to promote an interest in fungi across the counties of Cheshire, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside Cumbria, Flintshire & Denbighshire. Benefits of membership include:-

- two newsletters per year.
- forays and special events.
- help and advice on a range of fungi related topics.

Membership Individual membership - £7.50
Family membership - £10.00 Members joining after November 1st will receive membership for the following year. **Please contact the Membership Secretary for a membership form.**

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