## Week long programme of mainly free events starting 28th June

## SID VALLEY BIODIVERSITY GROUP



## IT'S OUR FIRST BIRTHDAY!

## Help us celebrate the rich diversity of wildlife in the Sid Valley

**MUTTERS MOOR** 

**MONDAY** 

28 June 11:00 - 12:30

Join Kate Ponting, Countryside Learning Officer at Clinton Devon Estates, for a stroll around Mutter's Moor which has recently become part of the UK's newest National Nature Reserve. Kate will give an overview of the biodiversity, conservation management and future challenges facing this important heathland area. A fairly level walk of around 2.5 km. Meet at Mutter's Moor car park, Peak Hill Road. Grid Reference SY 1094 8723

**WOODLAND GARDEN** 

**TUESDAY** 

29 June 14:00 - 15:30

John and Jean Twibell will give a guided tour of their 2.5 acre woodland garden containing native plants and a meadow area. They also hold the National Artemisia Collection and an optional tour is available at the end. Farthing Wood, Broadway, Sidmouth EX10 8HS for a 14:00 start. The garden is on a slope and has uneven paths.

**MARITIME PLANTS** 

**WEDNESDAY** 30 June 10:30 – 12:00

Ed Dolphin and John Twibell lead a guided walk examining maritime plants and the challenging conditions in which they thrive. Meet at the entrance to Connaught Gardens by the top of the ramp. This walk will be on a paved area, down the ramp and along the millennium walkway. Grid Reference SY 1196 8699

**WEST COUNTRY RIVERS** 

THURSDAY

1 July 15:00 - 16:00

Zoom talk by Simon Browning, Senior Data and Evidence Officer with Westcountry Rivers Trust. Topic - "How the West Country Rivers Trust monitoring scheme will help promote biodiversity." Joining instructions for the Zoom talk are on – www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org

TREE WALK

FRIDAY

2 July 10:30 - 12:30

Join Sidmouth Arboretum's guided tree walk, a gentle two hour stroll along footpaths through the parish churchyard, Blackmore Gardens and the Byes. Meet at 10:30 outside Sidmouth Museum, Church Street, Sidmouth EX10 8LY. There is a charge of £2.50 per person for this walk.

**WILD FLOWERS** 

**SATURDAY** 

3 July 14:00 - 16:00

Ed Dolphin will be in Alma Field to help children and adults improve their spotting skills with a wildflower treasure hunt. Alma Field is at the coast path end of Alma Lane, Grid Reference SY 1323 8749. Arrive any time between 1400 and 1600

**KNAPP NATURE RESERVE** 

SUNDAY

4 July 10:30 - 12:00

Join Kate Tobin and Jon Ball at The Knapp Local Community Nature Reserve to see the work that has been done to promote biodiversity. You can contribute to this work by helping us collect and spread yellow rattle seeds. Meet at the Knapp entrance on Station Road close to Alexandria Road, grid reference SY 1216 8846.

For further information about the week of celebrations see:

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