

North West Fungus Group 2022 Foray Programme- in association with the British Mycological Society

Contact Foray Leader if unsure about the weather/
terrain/access/cancellations. Read Risk assessment.
[Cover arms/legs against ticks, checking for them
after; consider insect repellent](#); carry whistle or
mobile phone. Planned changes will be notified by
email. Most events start on **Sundays** promptly at
10.30 and continue into the afternoon with a pause
for refreshments over lunchtime. Beginners are

welcome at ALL forays. Please
note that forays may not be
suitable for very small children.
No Dogs.



Saturday 26th February
AGM & Presidential address
from Geoffrey Kibby. – on-line/ in-person-
details to be confirmed.

Risley Moss, north Warrington: SJ 664 920(Sheet
109);**WA3 6QX**. Access from M62 Jct 11. Continue
along A574 to first island, turn left. Reserve
signposted. Ample parking. **10am** (Coffee) for
10.30. Short foray after lunch.

27th March - Duxbury Woods, Chorley. SD 588
155 (Sheet108); **PR74AS**. From A6 in south
Chorley take A5106 at traffic lights. Take first R
and follow signs to Duxbury Golf Course. Keep left
at each junction until you reach Duxbury Park
turning, follow for ~ 1km, then park just short of
Golf Course club house.
Leader - John Watt (07768 0434 461).

10th April – Abderduna NR (North Wales
Wildlife Trust). SJ 20 60 6167 (Sheet 117);
~250 yards beyond CH7 5LD.

Take A494 Mold to Ruthin; after the long
1.5km hill and 0.5km before (east) of
Loggerheads , turn left, signed Maeshafn. After
1km on this minor road, find car park on the
right half way round a sharp left hand bend.
Leader - John Ratcliffe (07751 330120)

24th April – Ainsdale NNR, SD 303 112 (sheet
108); **PR8 3QW**). Meet at car park at Reserve
Manager's Office Take A565 north past
Woodvale Airport, turn on to Coastal Road,
over railway bridge and left into private drive.
Leader – Tim Rogers (07890 949997).

8th May - Moor Piece NR, Bashall Eaves,
BB7 3DA. SD687448(Sheet 103) Meet in
Bashall Eaves Village Hall car park at SD
696434 (Sheet 103) 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 (07484 242523).

25th June – Microscopy Beginners’
Workshop#1 Risley Moss, nr Warrington
(WA3 6QX). Meet 10.00. Access from M62
Jct 11. Continue along A574 to first island, turn
left. Reserve signposted. Aim to bring a spore
print / fungi. This one not exclusive of the next
one. Early booking for both essential with *Irene*
Ridge (07484 242523).

£5.00 non-members.

23rd July - Microscopy Improvers’
Workshop#2. Risley Moss, nr Warrington
(WA3 6QX). Meet 10.00. Aim to bring
m’scope & a spore print / fungi. Book with
Irene Ridge (07484 242523)
£5.00 non-members.

21st August Lytham Hall, SD 355 280 (Sheet
102) **FY8 4JX**. From M55 J4 take A583
(Kirkham) at first roundabout, and take first
right (Whitehall Rd) after second then
immediately left onto Peel Rd. After 1.6 m turn
right onto Ballam Rd and after 0.6 m turn right
into Lytham Park and proceed to Hall (free
entry for NWFG).
Leader – Max Furmidge (07851 574751)

4th September - Tandle Hill Country
Park. SD906087. Meet at Tandle Hill Road
main entrance, **OL2 5UX**. From M62 (junc 20)
join the A627. Right onto the A664. From M62
(junc 21) join the A6193 then A664. From the
A664 turn onto Oldham Rd for approx 1.5m
and turn into Tandle Hill Rd. Car park at the
entrance to the park, with additional st parking
available. Mixed level walking, some gentle
inclines and slopes in mixed coniferous and
deciduous woodland. Toilets and cafe usually
open at park entrance.
Leader - Ali McKernan (07919 282914)

18th September North Walney NNR,
SD170720
Follow A590 through Ulverston into Barrow-i-
F on to Walney Island, on crossing bridge turn

right along Promenade, left along Mill Lane, then onto far end of Shore Road, **LA14 3UE** (public toilets). The 3km long NE nature reserve is reached after a 20 minute walk along the path. From there, we shall survey at specific places depending upon people's fitness and weather (wear layers of clothing) potentially walking to far end.

Leader - *John Watt* (07768 043 461);

25th September - Stanley Bank Wood, St Helens. SJ 536 977 (Sheet 108); **WA11 0AB.**

Meet at Sankey Valley Visitor Centre, behind pub From A580 East Lancs Rd, take A58 south toward St Helens. After ~ ¾ mile at the bottom of a dip turn right immediately in front of Ship Inn.

Leader - *Tom Ferguson* (07702 038212).

2nd October - Beginners' Foray at Moore NR, Lapwing Lane, Warrington. SJ 578 855 (Sheet 108); **WA4 6XE.**

2 miles south of Warrington on A56 turn north to Moore at traffic lights at Higher Walton. 1 mile turn R crossing railway and ship canal. Go to end of road to reach entrance. Car park to right of entrance road.

Leader - *Paul Hamlyn* (0161 434 1401).

9th October - Lyme Park, Disley, Stockport.

Meet in car park 200 yards from house; SJ962824 (Sheet 109) By road: Entrance on A6 only. SatNav: Use **SK12 2NR** and stay on A6. Ignore any directions other than those to the A6 entrance. By train - Disley ½ mile from entrance. The house, garden & car park are about one mile from main gate. Booking required due to 15 car limit within grounds. Leader - *Jeanette Maddy* (07548 838946).

Friday 21st - Monday 24th October – Residential Foray, Keswick Convention Centre.

Details to follow:

Contact *Mike Walton* (01606 259286).

30th October – Turn Slack Clough, Littleborough. SD 935 173 (Sheet 109); **OL15 9JZ.**

Meet @ **10.00** at Clough. Left off A58 onto Whitelees Road approaching Littleborough from west, continue along Calderbrook Road turning left at Clough Road.

Leader - *Norman Bamforth* (0161-336-3914).

13th November – Ainsdale NNR, SD 303 112 (sheet 108); **PR8 3QW).**

Meet @ **10.00** at car park at Reserve Manager's Office. Take A565 north past Woodvale Airport, turn on to Coastal Road, over railway bridge and left into private drive.

Leader – *Tim Rogers* (07890 949997).

Some other national events of interest include:

BMS Spring Field Meeting, Cranfield Uni. 4th April.

October 8th – National Fungus Day.

<http://www.ukfungusday.co.uk/>

BMS Highland foray, Strathpeffer, 3rd - 10th August

BMS Autumn foray, Bellingham, 26th September - 2nd October.

- About the North West Fungus Group

The North West Fungus Group is a regional group aiming to promote an interest in fungi across the counties of Cheshire, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Cumbria and North Wales. Membership benefits include:-

- two newsletters per year
- Recording forays and special events
- Outreach activities centering around National Fungus Day
- Presidential address at AGM
- microscopy instruction

Membership Individual membership - £7.50
Family membership - £10.00 Members joining after November 1st will receive membership for the following year. **Membership Form available on website or from Secretary.**

Chair: Jeanette Maddy (07548 838946)

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