



Whitelee



Countryside 2024 Ranger Events

Spring Into Spring

- 4 & 10 April
- 11am - 2pm
- Drop-in
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Drop by for some springtime fun this Easter break - we'll have crafts, trails and maybe even some chocolate goodies!

Find and Forage

- 20 April
- 1pm - 3.30pm
- Booking essential
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

For this event we're joined by the wonderful forager Amy Rankine. Amy will lead us on a guided workshop around site, where we'll learn about the plants all around us and their amazing uses. **Suitable for adults and children over 8 years of age.*

Willow Wonders

- 27 April
- 10am - 2pm
- Booking essential
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Get crafty with us and make your own willow garden structure. We'll be guided by Geoff Forrest, our willow weaving expert. **Suitable for adults and children over 15 years of age.*

Valley WalkFest

- 12 May
- 1pm - 4pm
- Booking essential
- Ardochrig

Join the Whitelee Countryside Rangers for a jaunt to Corse Hill, the highest point in Whitelee Windfarm. Take in the sights and sounds of the windfarm, the adjoining forest and on a clear day we might even see Ailsa Craig.

This walk will take place on windfarm tracks.
**Approx. distance 6 miles.*



HOW TO BOOK

Bookings for each event (unless listed as a drop-in event) will only open 1 month in advance of each event. To book, please contact the Whitelee Ranger Service:

Email: whitelee-crs@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

Phone: 0141 614 0962

Website: www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee

We hope to have our new online booking system live by May 2024:
<https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee-events-and-clubs>

ALL
EVENTS
ARE
FREE



ScottishPower Renewables Community Day



- 9 June
- 11am - 4pm
- Drop-in
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

The ScottishPower Renewables annual Whitelee Community Day is back. Set to be a fun day out for all the family with lots of interactive activities and the chance to see the UK's biggest windfarm up close, this FREE event will have something for everyone! www.whiteleewindfarm.co.uk

Ride With The Wind



- 16 June
- TBC
- Booking essential
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Join us on an exhilarating Ranger-led cycle around the windfarm. We'll be starting and finishing at the Whitelee Visitor Centre. We'll be tackling some hills en-route, checking out the views and exploring the lesser travelled tracks of the windfarm. Both standard pedal bikes and electric bikes will be available to borrow from us, provided by our friends at Cycle Station. *Approx. distance 15 miles.

Summer Solstice Saunter



- 21 June
- 9pm - 11pm
- Booking essential
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Watch the last rays of the sun disappear on the longest day from Blackwood Hill Viewpoint. Hot drinks and goodies provided.

Run the Blades



- 19-21 July
- N/A
- Drop-in
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Entering its ninth year and fully supported by WCRS, Run the Blades is a unique event incorporating 3 distances: 10k, half marathon and 50K ultra. There'll be a Junior RTB Mile too! See Breaking Strain events www.breakingstrain.co.uk/run-the-blades/ for more information.

Blaeberry Bimble



- 28 July
- 1pm - 3pm
- Booking essential
- Ardochrig

It's International Bog Day so join us for a stroll to explore the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of the bog.

Dog Day Afternoon



- 18 August
- 1pm - 4pm (SSPCA 12noon - 4pm)
- Drop-in
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Bring along the VIPs (Very Important Pets) in your family and join the Rangers for a guided dog walk. The Scottish SPCA will be joining us on site too. They'll be hosting a stall outside the Visitor Centre offering insights into their mission as well as support for owners.

Bats on the Orry



- 13 September
- 7pm - 9pm
- Booking essential
- Eaglesham - TBC

Batty about bats? Join us for a Ranger-led walk and delve into the lives of these fascinating (and cute!) mammals. With the use of hand-held bat detectors we will be able to listen for their echolocation calls as they whizz around us at night.

Build a Bat a Home



- 21 September
- Slot 1: 11am - 12noon
- Slot 2: 1pm - 2pm
- Booking essential
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Build your very own bat box to help our hibernating heroes stay snug over winter.

Whitelee Monster Mash



- October
- TBC
- Drop-in
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Prepare to be scared at Whitelee this Halloween. Full details TBC.



Whitelee Walkers Health Walks



- **Tuesdays 10am - 11am approx.**
- **Whitelee Visitor Centre (meet outside)**
- **Drop-in**

Walking is one of the best ways that we can keep fit and it's fun too! Join the Whitelee Rangers for a short health walk on the windfarm - stretch your legs, have a natter and maybe even spot some local wildlife.

This health walk covers a distance of up to 2 miles, and lasts 45mins – 1 hour at a gentle pace, with a couple of small hills to get the heart-rate up a bit. The walk is suitable for all ages and abilities, and new walkers are always welcome. Well-behaved dogs are welcome, but must be kept on a short lead for this walk.



Muddy Monsters Club

- **11 Apr, 2 May, 13 June, 11 July, 8 Aug
12 Sep, 10 Oct, 14 Nov, 12 Dec**
- **1pm - 2pm**
- **Whitelee Visitor Centre**
- **Booking essential**

Muddy Monsters is our pre-school club for children between 2-5 years old and their adults. The aim of the group is to get young children and their adults outside enjoying nature through games, stories and play.



Boggy Beasties Club

- **Booking essential**
- **Whitelee Visitor Centre**

Book your kids into our FREE fun-filled 'Boggy Beasties' Summer Club and keep them active through the summer. The club is for 6-12 year olds, and runs on Wednesday for 4 weeks during the summer holidays.

We have morning sessions 10.30am-12noon for 6-8 year olds, and afternoon sessions 1.30pm-3pm for 9-12 year olds. Children can be left for some activities, but some sessions may require adult accompaniment – full details will be given at time of booking or closer to the event.

Spaces are limited. BOOKINGS OPEN FROM 10 JUNE 2024. To book places, contact the Whitelee Countryside Rangers.

Trail Quest

- **10 July**

Join the rangers on an exciting trail quest.

6-8 years: Creepy Crawlies

- **17 July**

Get your nets and magnifying glasses at the ready as we get up close and personal with the creepy crawlies of Whitelee.

9-12 years: Bird Box Build

- **17 July**

Give nature a helping hand and test your woodwork skills at the same time, by building your very own bird box. Take your handiwork home and give the birds in your garden somewhere cosy to nest.

Critter Crafts

- **24 July**

Unleash your creative side and get stuck in with some nature-based creations to take home.

Bog Scientists

- **31 July**

Boggy Beasties gets boggy as we delve deeper into the science and wildlife of our peat bog.



KEY INFORMATION

All events provided by the Whitelee Countryside Ranger Service are FREE.

● **Date** ● **Time** ● **Meeting point** ● **Drop-in event** ● **Booking essential**

- Please aim to arrive at least 5 minutes before the published event start time.
- We occasionally take photos during our events for use in promotional materials but you have a right to refuse. In accordance with general data protection regulations (GDPR) if we do wish to take photos we will request your permission and provide a photo consent form.
- All children must be accompanied by an adult, unless stated otherwise.
- Please wear/bring suitable outdoor clothing and footwear. Prepare for changeable weather.
- Well behaved dogs are welcome on most events, but some may not be suitable for them. Please contact the rangers about bringing your dog to an event which isn't marked as 'dog friendly'.
- All published distances and finish times are approximate and subject to change.
- Please consult the WCRS web pages (www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee) for maps and directions to meeting points or contact the rangers.
- If you book an event but then can't make it, please let us know ASAP so that we can fill your space(s).



Suitable for families



Bring lunch



Dog friendly



Waterproofs essential



Children's event



Bring a torch

The Whitelee Countryside Ranger Service is available for evenings and weekend group visits for all ages including uniformed and interest groups for activity sessions, guided walks, talks and presentations. For events updates and photos, as well as news from Whitelee, follow us on Facebook, X or Instagram and visit us at: www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee



Whitelee Countryside Rangers



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Whitelee Visitor Centre

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