

Junior Rangers

Our Junior Rangers club runs during Easter and Summer holiday periods for children aged between 5 and 13 years of age. JRC events take place on the following sites:



Coronation Park, Ormskirk	Mondays
Beacon Country Park, Upholland	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Stanley Coronation Park, Skem	Wednesdays

All sessions run from 2-4pm and are FREE, booking for each event opens 7 days prior to the event taking place and is essential to avoid disappointment. Block bookings are not accepted and organised groups should contact the Ranger Service.

See programme for details of events.

Volunteer Events

These events run throughout the year and provide a broad range of tasks for people to get involved with. For further information on volunteering opportunities please see overleaf.

Date	Activity	Location	Time
26th February	Hedgelaying	Beacon Country Park	10am
25th March	Spring Clean up	Tawd Valley Park	10am
22nd April	Habitat management	Hunters Hill	10am
27th May	Bark peeling	Beacon Country Park	10am
24th June	Balsam Bashing	Fairy Glen	10am
23rd September	Autumn Clean up	Tawd Valley Park	10am
28th October	Dry Stone Walling	Hunters Hill	10am
25th November	Tree Planting	Beacon Country Park	10am

For more information contact the Ranger Service on 01695 622794.

Green Fayre 2012

21st and 22nd July, 11am to 5pm.

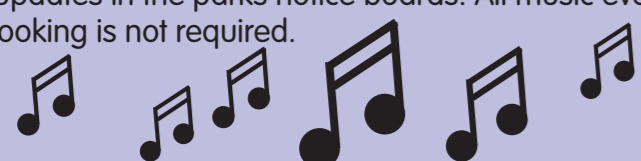
The Green Fayre is a celebration of the countryside and countryside life. Come and see a variety of arena shows including dog display teams, birds of prey demonstrations and a Viking encampment. Discover traditional and modern woodcraft by taking a stroll through the Working Woodlands area and visit a range of traders and exhibitors in the Craft Marquee and Healthy Lifestyles area. More traders and attractions can be found in the main showground including plenty of rides to keep the children amused. The Folk Marquee, in its third year will have sessions from local folk musicians as well as sessions from the superb Long Hill Ramblers. Come and experience West Lancs' largest event of the year. Parking and entry to the Green Fayre is free of charge.



Summer Music Festival

Throughout July & August

Throughout July and August, Coronation Park will play host to a variety of music events and performances. Every Saturday and Sunday afternoon, bands from the local area will entertain visitors to the park with a succession of concerts in the parks Bandstand. The majority of concerts will start at 2pm although this is subject to changes so keep an eye out for updates in the parks notice boards. All music events are FREE and booking is not required.



EVENTS PROGRAMME

2012

- 8th Feb Volunteer Coppice Days 10am
- 15th Feb Volunteer Coppice Days 10am
- 18th/19th Feb Make a Shave Horse 10am
- 22nd Feb Tree Planting 10am
- 26th Feb Hedgelaying at BCP 10am

Spring



- 3rd March Lathom Circular Walk 10am
- 4th March Tree Planting 10am
- 17th/18th March Basket Weaving 10am
- 24th March Woodlands Skills for Kids 10am
- 25th March Spring Clean up at TVP 10am
- 2nd April Easter Eggstravaganza 2pm
- 3rd April Easter Eggstravaganza 2pm
- 22nd April Habitat Management at Hunters Hill 10am
- 5th May Burscough Wetlands Walk 10am
- 7th May Skelmersdale Park 100yr Anniversary and Grand Opening. 12noon

- 12th May Useful and Edible Plants Walk 10am
- 27th May Bark peeling 10am

Summer



- 2nd/3rd June Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations
 - Saturday A warm up to Bickerstock 12-8pm
 - Sunday Traditional Music Concerts 12-6pm
- 9th June Woodland Skills for Kids 10am
- 16th/17th June Kite Flying Weekend 12pm
- 24th June Balsam Bashing at Fairy Glen 10am
- 30th June Park Praise Funday 12pm-6pm
- 21st/22nd July Green Fayre 11am-5pm
- 23rd July Junior Rangers - Park Art 2pm
- 24th July Junior Rangers - Day with a Viking 2pm
- 26th July Junior Rangers - Animobile 2pm
- 30th July Junior Rangers - Ranger Olympics 2pm
- 31st July Junior Rangers - Homes for Wildlife 2pm

1st - 15th Aug Walking Festival
(All event times listed on the right)

- 1st Aug Junior Rangers - Animobile 2pm
- 2nd Aug Junior Rangers - Park Art 2pm
- 6th Aug Junior Rangers - Creative Clay 2pm
- 7th Aug Junior Rangers - Mini Beast Safari 2pm
- 8th Aug Junior Rangers - Barn Owl Bill 2pm
- 9th Aug Junior Rangers - Barn Owl Bill 2pm
- 13th Aug Junior Rangers - Animobile 2pm
- 14th Aug Junior Rangers - Orienteering / Scavenger Hunt 2pm
- 15th Aug Junior Rangers - Park Art 2pm
- 16th Aug Junior Rangers - Forest Schools 2pm
- 20th Aug Junior Rangers - Forest Schools 2pm
- 21st Aug Junior Rangers - Woodland Creation 2pm
- 22nd Aug Junior Rangers - Forest Schools 2pm
- 23rd Aug Junior Rangers - Creative Clay 2pm
- 27th Aug Junior Rangers - Barn Owl Bill 2pm
- 28th Aug Junior Rangers - Jewellery Making 2pm
- 29th Aug Junior Rangers - Homes for Wildlife 2pm
- 30th Aug Junior Rangers - Pond Dipping 2pm

Autumn



- 8th Sept Woodland Skills for Kds 10am
- 15th Sept Woodland Skills for Kids 10am
- 23rd Sept Autumn Clean Up at TVP 10am
- 3rd Oct Volunteer Coppice Days 10am
- 6th Oct Skem Circular Walk - start at Nye Bevan 10am
- 7th Oct Tree ID Seed Gathering Sunday 10am
- 10th Oct Volunteer Coppice Days 10am
- 13th/14th Oct Pole Lathe Turning Weekend 10am
- 27th/28th Oct Pumpkin Carving 2pm
- 28th Oct Dry Stone Walling at Hunters Hill 10am
- 31st Oct Halloween Event 7pm
- 10th/11th Nov Cleft Ash Gate Making 10am
- 25th Nov Tree Planting 10am

Winter



- 1st Dec Fairy Glen Circular 10am
- 3rd Dec Carols in the Park 6pm

Key to where Events are held:
■ Stanley Coronation Park

■ Beacon Country Park
■ Coronation Park

■ Tawd Valley Park
■ Hunters Hill

■ Fairy Glen
■ Platts Lane

Booking Information

Booking is required for all the events in this programme unless otherwise stated. Booking for each event opens 7 days prior to the date that the event is scheduled to take place. Places are limited so people failing to book in advance may be refused entry to events. Please note that block bookings will not be accepted and that groups must ring to make special arrangements.

Further Information

To request further information or to book onto Countryside Events please contact the Countryside Rangers: -

West Lancashire Ranger Service,
 Beacon Country Park, Beacon Lane, Upholland, WN8 7RU
 Tel: 01695 622794 Email: Beacon.Park@westlancs.gov.uk

To book on events at Coronation Park or Stanley Coronation Park, please contact Park Ranger on: Tel: 01695 570258 Mob: 07824 625321

westlancs.gov.uk/events

West Lancashire Walking Festival

August 1st until August 15th

This festival provides walks to suit people of all abilities, from short themed and informative walks to long distance rambles. A variety of leaders from a wide range of organisations work alongside the Ranger Service to provide walks that aim to cover as much of West Lancashire as possible. Contact the Rangers on 01695 622794.

Date	Title	Meeting Place
1st	Lathom Circular Walk Distance 6 miles	Meet at Ruff woods Time 10am
2nd	Bat Walk @ Coronation Park Distance 2 miles	Meet at Bandstand Time 8.30pm
3rd	Martin Mere to Mere Sands Circular Distance 2 miles	Meet at Martin Mere Time 10am
4th	Beacon Canal Loop Distance 8 miles	Meet at Ranger Station Time 10am
5th	Medieval Boundary Walk Distance 2 miles	Meet at Ranger Station Time 10am
6th	Aughton Circular Distance 5 miles	Meet at Aughton Village Hall Time 2pm
7th	Martin Mere Burscough Interchange to Martin Mere Distance 8 miles	Meet at Martin Mere Time 10am
8th	Useful and Edible Plants Walk	Meet at Ranger Station Time 2pm
9th	Bat Walk @ Beacon Country Park Distance 2 miles	Meet at Ranger Station Time 9pm
10th	Martin Mere Reedbed Walk	Meet at Martin Mere Time 10am
11th	Fairy Glen Circular Distance 9 miles	Meet at layby on A5209 Time 10am
12th	Butterfly and Moth Walk @ BCP Distance 2 miles	Meet at Ranger Station Time 12pm
13th	Ormskirk Circular Distance 6 miles	Meet at Coronation Park Time 10am
14th	Skem Circular Walk	Meet at Nye Bevan Time 10am
15th	Burscough Wetlands Walk Distance 11 miles	Meet at Platts Lane Time 10am

Woodlands - Seed to Product Events

Woodlands are a very important part of our cultural heritage. They provide shelter, food and homes to the wildlife found here and the timber harvested helps us with the management of the parks. To help make people more aware of woodlands and their importance, the Lancashire Forest Education Initiative are running a series of events looking at the different stages of the woodland management cycle. The events included in this scheme are written in blue in the main programme and are free to members of the public. Booking is required for all of these events.



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Halloween Event

On Wednesday 31st October 2012 Coronation Park in Ormskirk will come alive with witches, ghosts and ghouls. Spooky stories will be told; lanterns will be paraded; fire will be manipulated before your very eyes and there will be many other surprises on the night making this a fun event for all the family. On Saturday and Sunday leading up to the event there will be pumpkin carving workshops giving you a chance to enter the parks best



Pumpkin Lantern competition - all entries will be displayed and the winners will be announced at the Halloween event. All events are FREE, booking is essential for the carving workshops.

Woodland Craft Days



Set in the woodlands of our flagship Beacon Country Park, participants will work with experts to learn traditional skills of Basket Weaving, Cleft Ash Gate making and Pole Lathe turning. Booking is essential for these activities and there will be a small charge for the event. For more information contact the Rangers on 01695 622794.