**COURSE INFORMATION SHEET**



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| **Course Title:** An Introduction to the birds of Woodland | | | **Day/Date/Year:**  Monday 20 April 2020 |
| **Start Time:** 9.30am | | **Finish Time:**  1pm | |
| **Course Tutor:** | Mike Russell | | |
| **Course description and subjects covered** | These special half day bird safaris are aimed at giving beginners an introduction to the bird life of Sussex in a variety of habitats.  In April our woodland birds are busy establishing their territories and finding mates. It’s a great to get to grips with identifying birds through sight and song.  The woodland habitats around Pulborough Brooks offer a great opportunity to watch warblers, finches, woodpeckers, Nuthatches, Treecreepers and other woodland birds.  **PLEASE NOTE:** There is a £6 entrance fee charge to enter the reserve for non-RSPB members. Please bring your membership card if you are a RSPB member for free entry.  No previous knowledge needed, just enthusiasm. . | | |
| **Meeting point / Venue:** | We will meet outside the RSPB Pulborough Brooks visitors centre.  The reserve is located between Pulborough and Storrington on the A283. Full directions are available on the RSPB website. | | |
| **Other sites to be visited:** | RSPB Pulborough Brooks Reserve | | |
| **What to bring:** | * Binoculars * Appropriate footwear for walking in potential wet and muddy areas. * Appropriate clothing for weather conditions at time. * A field identification guide may be useful but not essential | | |
| **Other Information:** | **PLEASE NOTE:** There is a £6 entrance fee charge to enter the reserve for non-RSPB members. Please bring your membership card if you are a RSPB member for free entry.  Free car parking.  There are toilet facilities and a café at the visitors centre. | | |
| **Public Transport:** | Compass Bus 100, from Burgess Hill to Horsham, stops at Pulborough train station and serves the stop immediately outside the reserve. It is a request stop, so you will need to ask the driver to drop you outside the reserve when you board.  Contact Traveline at [www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk](http://www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk) | | |
| **Accessibility:** | We will be out for about 3 hours walking on rough tracks, which may be wet and muddy after rain. | | |