

# Botany in vc77 - Lanarkshire

## Fieldwork Programme, 2019

Here is the first instalment of our programme for 2019. You will receive updates as the programme evolves.

(Some events planned by other organisations may be included in italics for your interest.)

We are hunting for 'new finds' (things not seen in a place before) or 're-finds' (things listed in a place before, but not found again this century so far.)

We work in tetrads (2x2 map squares) or monads (single map squares). We have listed below the monads we are targetting (e.g. **NS6273**).

Some of the locations are remote, or suffer from restricted access or parking. It is therefore more important than ever that we know who will be present.

If you wish to take part in any event, **please email or text both Michael Philip and Peter Wiggins no less than 24 hours in advance.**

It would also be helpful to have a note of your mobile phone number, in case of any last-minute alterations or hitches.

Sometimes finding the meeting-place will require some navigation skills! The grid references below will be more accurate than the postcode/satnav method. Please allow enough time to arrive on time. We expect reasonable standards of time-keeping, only because latecomers hold back the group. If you know you're going to be late, please phone (the mobile numbers are given below).

Michael's car is a blue Honda CR-V and he wears a red jacket. Peter's car is a blue Toyota C-HR and he wears a dark jacket.

We recommend that you bring your own food and water with you (less crucial for afternoon or evening events).

Finally, please be aware that your participation in any of these events is at your own risk. We have indicated on the programme the kind of terrain to expect.

Take precautions over clothing and equipment, and be sensible about steep or boggy ground, climbing gates or fences, and pacing yourself. Thank you.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>What</u>
20th April	Saturday all day	10.00	Forth & Clyde Canal (west of Kirkintilloch)	Hunting for refinds along the canal
<b>NS6273</b> <b>NS6372</b> <b>NS6373</b>			Meet 10am in big lay-by on A803 Postcode: <b>G66 1RH</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS634729</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, open ground, muddy areas)
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28th April	Sunday all day	10.00	Cathkin Braes	Hunting for refinds in a grand location
<b>NS6058</b> <b>NS6158</b>			Meet 10am in parking area, Cathkin Road Postcode: <b>G73 4SE</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS609579</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, open ground, muddy areas)
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1st May	Wednesday evening	19.00	Kelvingrove	Careful plant-hunting in a famous park
<b>NS5666</b> <b>NS5766</b>			Meet 7pm in front of Art Galleries (please park locally and arrive on foot) Postcode: <b>G3 8AG</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS567663</b>	(roads, paths, riverbank, open ground, muddy areas)
11th May	Saturday all day	10.00	Quothquan area	A day in the open countryside
<b>NS9841 (no previous records)</b> <b>NS9941</b>			Meet 10am at Libberton Primary School Postcode: <b>ML12 6NB</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS998412</b>	(roadsides, riverbanks, open ground, muddy areas)
19th May	Sunday all day	10.00	Glenboig	Varied habitats, including an unrecorded monad
<b>NS7168</b> <b>NS7169 (no previous records)</b>			Meet 10am at War Memorial, Glenboig Postcode: <b>ML5 2QT</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS726682</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, open ground, muddy areas)
28th May	Tuesday evening	19.00	Glasgow, Ruchill	More hunting for urban refinds
<b>NS5768</b>			Meet 7pm at Ruchill Park (Bilsland Drive) Postcode: <b>G20 7SR</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS579684</b>	(roads, waste ground, open ground, muddy areas)
2nd June	Sunday all day	10.00	Coulter area	Lots of interest in open country
<b>NT0233</b> <b>NT0332</b> <b>NT0333</b>			Meet 10am by bridge on Birthwood Road Postcode: <b>ML12 6PZ</b> Grid Ref: <b>NT028333</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, open ground, muddy areas)
8th June	Saturday all day	10.00	Milncroft (near Cumbernauld)	Varied habitats - unexplored since 2005
<b>NS7471</b> <b>NS7571</b>			Meet 10am at Eden Leisure Village Postcode: <b>G67 4AG</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS752719</b>	(wet areas, roadsides, woodland, open ground)

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16th June	Sunday all day	10.00	New Lanark & Falls of Clyde	A famous location - historically and botanically!
<b>NS8742</b> <b>NS8841</b>	<b>NS8842</b>		Meet 10am at carpark (do not drive down into village) Postcode: <b>ML11 9DF</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS883426</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, muddy areas)
22nd June	Saturday all day	10.00	Summerston & Possil Loch	Big hunt for refinds in difficult terrain
<b>NS5770</b> <b>NS5771</b>	<b>NS5870</b>		Meet 10am at Luddon Training Centre Postcode: <b>G23 5HD</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS582711</b>	(roadsides, waste ground, marsh)
26th June	Wednesday evening	19.00	Lochend Loch	A pleasant stroll in a Country Park
<b>NS7066</b>			Meet 7pm in front of Visitor Centre Postcode: <b>ML5 2EH</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS704664</b>	(loch shore, paths, woodland)
29th June	Saturday all day	10.00	Harelaw, near Neilston	Try to find 100 species in each of 4 monads!
<b>Renfrewshire day!</b> <b>NS4553</b>	<b>NS4554</b> <b>NS4653</b>	<b>NS4654</b>	Meet 10am at carpark east of Harelaw Postcode: <b>G78 3DB</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS473544</b>	(roads, paths, open ground, muddy areas)
6th July	Saturday all day	10.00	Biggar	Lots of walking in open country
<b>NT0238 (no previous records)</b> <b>NT0338 (no previous records)</b>			Meet 10am at carpark on Biggar Mill Road Postcode: <b>ML12 6US</b> Grid Ref: <b>NT039381</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, farmland, streamsidess)
14th July	Sunday all day	10.00	Dalton	Big hunt for refinds in varied habitats
<b>NS6658</b> <b>NS6758</b>	<b>NS6759</b>		Meet 10am at Flemington Care Home Postcode: <b>G72 8YF</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS668588</b>	(roads, paths, waste ground, river gorge)

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20th July	Saturday all day	10.00-4.30	BSBI Sedges & Rushes Workshop  Meet 10am Mugdock Country Park Postcode: <b>G62 8EL</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS555769</b>	Great introduction to these plants, plus a free book! £30 (£20 for students): <b>BOOKING ESSENTIAL!</b> to book a place on this BSBI Course, go to: <a href="http://www.bsbi.org/scotland">www.bsbi.org/scotland</a>
23rd July	Tuesday evening	19.00	Glasgow Botanic Gardens  Meet 7pm at the Kibble Palace Postcode: <b>G12 0UE</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS569675</b>	Hunting for refinds in hidden corners  (paths, grassy areas, woodland)
28th July	Sunday all day	10.00	Newton  Meet 10am in carpark at Newton Station Postcode: <b>G72 7TD</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS665603</b>	Hunting for refinds in a post-industrial landscape  (roads, tracks, waste ground, riverbanks)
4th August	Sunday all day	10.00	Blantyre & River Clyde  Meet 10am at David Livingstone Centre Postcode: <b>G72 9BY</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS695586</b>	Hunting for refinds in woodland and riverbanks  (paths, woodland, riverbanks, muddy areas)
10th August	Saturday all day	10.00	Cathkin Braes  Meet 10am in parking area, Cathkin Road Postcode: <b>G73 4SE</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS609578</b>	Second visit here, looking for refinds  (paths, woodland, open ground, steep ground, muddy areas)
17th August	Saturday all day	10.00	Cashel Forest BioBlitz (Loch Lomond)  Meet 10am Cashel Centre Postcode: <b>G63 0AW</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS400940</b>	Big event organised by RSFS Forest Trust (rough ground, wild country and an SSSI) Contact Michael Osborne on: 07919 496872

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18th August	Sunday all day	10.00	Langlands Moss (East Kilbride)	Contrasts: a Nature Reserve and an Industrial Estate!
<b>NS6350</b> <b>NS6451</b>	<b>NS6351</b>		Meet 10am on Hurlawcrook Road Postcode: <b>G75 0ZZ</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS639512</b>	(roads, paths, woodland, open ground, muddy areas)
20th August	Tuesday evening	18.30	Hamiltonhill & Firhill	Exploring the canal environment (note start time)
<b>NS5867</b>			Meet 6.30pm at 1 Applecross Street Postcode: <b>G4 9SP</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS587672</b>	(roads and paths, canal bank)
24th August	Saturday all day	10.00	Corra Castle (Falls of Clyde)	One of Lanarkshire's richest botanical sites
<b>NS8741</b> <b>NS8841</b>	<b>NS8742</b> <b>NS8842</b>		Meet 10am at West Lodge parking area Postcode: <b>ML11 9TQ</b> Grid Ref: <b>NS877414</b>	(woodland, paths, riverbank, ponds)

**Remember:**

- If you enjoy participating in fieldwork within this programme, and would like to take your skills to a higher level, we can suggest ways to do that.
- If you know people who might like to join our contact list, please put us in touch.