

RSPB Langford Lowfields – November 2018

This month has seen 9 bearded tits, great white egret, bittern, 2 raven and 4 stonechat. Returning winter visitors are starting to build up such as wigeon, teal, redwings, and fieldfares.

The top part of reserve is now open but we are asking people to avoid this area due to the muddy conditions. The sluice is (in theory) now fully operational and will be put to the test as river levels increase during the winter period.

Two new sluices were put in towards the end of October, these link the main lake – one to Phase 2 and one to Phase 3. The main lake will then be able to act as a massive header tank to allow us to fill up the reserve with water.

The sand martin bank has also been tidied up and is now being protected with black plastic in order to keep the rain off and stop plants growing. This plastic will be removed in March 2019 ready for the sand martins to make new homes!

We continue to offer birdboxes for a donation of £10. There are still opportunities to volunteer with us, on the Beach Hut, in a meet and greet role. Get in touch if you feel you could offer a few hours a week for this – 01636 893611.

Food and drink is available on site – see the volunteer at the Beach Hut!

We will again be running a festive Christmas Trail this year – look for this from December onwards.

Our next guided walk is the 'Winter Wonderland' and will be held on Sunday 25 November 2018 at 2pm – 4pm. Please call us on 01636 893611 to book a place. Prices are: Adult Non Member £10.00; Adult Member £8.00 / Child Non Member £5.00; Child Member £4.00.