



## Cambridgeshire Bird Club Conference

### BIRD MIGRATION

Saturday 3rd November 2018  
Sunday 4th November 2018

0930–1700 at Cottenham Village College  
Wicken Fen ringing demo, or Kingfishers Bridge

The conference, organised by Cambridgeshire Bird Club in collaboration with the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO), will provide an opportunity for everyone to learn more about how we observe bird migration, and how new technologies are increasing our knowledge of the strategies and routes employed by our visiting migrants. On Saturday, there will be a programme of lectures and discussion, displays and stalls. On Sunday, there will be an opportunity to visit various reserves to learn how they are managed to enhance the habitat, concentrating on migratory birds.

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The programme will cover Migration in a broad context, and how daytime and night-time 'observation' has contributed to our knowledge. We will then see specific example of migration and movements within species which visit Cambridgeshire in winter and also in summer, especially focusing on how technological advances have changed our perceptions of where and how our migrant birds go when they are not with us.

#### **Session 1 – Migration and observing it**

*Migratory Birds overview*

*Bird Observatories in the UK*

*Nocturnal Migration – sound recording reveals what passes through at night* Simon Gillings et al.

tbc

Paul Stancliffe (BTO )

Lunch, incl. posters

Noc-mig sound recording workshop

#### **Session 2 – Winter Migrants**

*Our Wintering Blackcaps – where do they breed?*

*Wintering Wildfowl in the UK*

Ben Van Doren (Univ of  
Oxford)

Geoff Hilton (WWT)

#### **Session 3 – Summer Migrants – local superstars**

*Nightingales and Others*

*Swifts*

*Spotted Flycatchers*

Chris Hewson (BTO)

Dick Newell (Action for  
Swifts)

Michael Holdsworth (CBC)

Tickets must be booked in advance: £25.00 per person (includes coffee, lunch and tea)

For further details or enquiries check the Club's website ([www.cambridgeshirebirdclub.org.uk](http://www.cambridgeshirebirdclub.org.uk)) or contact Vicki Harley (Tel.: 01954 250340; email: [vicki.harley@care4free.net](mailto:vicki.harley@care4free.net)).

EVERYONE WELCOME: TURN OVER FOR BOOKING FORM

## Migration Conference Booking Form

Send your completed form to: Vicki Harley, 30 Margett St, Cottenham, Cambridge, CB24 8QY.  
Tel 01954 250340; email [vicki.harley@care4free.net](mailto:vicki.harley@care4free.net)

Bookings must be received by Sat 27th October 2018.

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Please send me .....tickets @ £25 each. I enclose a cheque payable to Cambridgeshire Bird Club. Bookings will be acknowledged by email. If you wish to receive a hard-copy acknowledgement please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Please complete/delete as appropriate.

Please provide directions to the venue.

I/We have special dietary requirements (please note, vegetarian choices will be available anyway) eg vegan or gluten-free.

Name:.....(as you wish it to appear on your Participant's Badge)

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Address.....

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Tel:.....Email:.....

Signed.....Date.....

### Sunday Nov 4th, Optional morning excursions

We are offering the chance to see the Wicken Fen Ringing group at work, via a drop-in session, exact times tbc, or a guided walk at Kingfishers Bridge or the Ouse Washes, RSPB reserve.

Exact details of meeting time/place for Kingfishers Bridge and the Ouse Washes walks will be provided to those who book, and details of the Wicken drop-in session will be available on the day of the conference.

As there will be a limited number of places on the visits to Kingfishers Bridge and the Ouse Washes, please indicate your preference (first/second choice) below to help us plan.