

Spurn Waders and Phone-scoping Workshop

Itinerary 27th – 31st July 2020

Based at Westmere Farm, Kilnsea

An Action Packed Week of Birding & Phone-scoping



Red Knot © Mark Pearson

Day One	Arrival at Westmere Farm at 1pm. Our YCN guide will meet you between 1pm and
•	1.30pm. Check in followed by a get to know your guides session, a brief talk about the
Arrival 1300	itinerary discuss any recommended changes and opportunities due to weather, birds
	etc.
Approximate times:	
1400 - 1800	Our first birding and phone-scoping session. An introductory walk on the field skills and
	equipment used in birding and phone-scoping. The walk will be based around the area
	close to the farm encompassing Kilnsea Wetlands
1900	
	Evening meal for the group at The Crown and Anchor at approximately 1900
	Evening talk by Rob Adams Chair and Treasurer of Spurn Bird Observatory Trust (SBOT)
	'Spurn - A Magical Place' at Westmere Farm starting at 2030
Day Two	Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding and phone-scoping.
	We will be based at either Kilnsea, Spurn and/or Patrington Haven. Final destination
0900 – 1700	choice will be based on weather and bird activity immediately prior to the day.
1200	Approximate lunch time break each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided.
	There will also be opportunities for wash room stops during the day as required.
1900	Evening meal for the group at The Crown and Anchor at approximately 1900 followed
	by an evening talk by Richard Baines guide and ecologist and Paul Wheatly guide and
	phone-scope expert. Talk based at Westmere Farm
Day Three	Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding and phone-scoping.
0900 – 1700	
	Unimog booking number I. We will travel down the Spurn Peninsular on the Yorkshire
1100	Wildlife Trust Unimog accompanied by their guide. This is a great opportunity to see
	Spurn Point and birding in areas such as Chalk Bank where there is often a wader roost.
	The point is also good for migrant birds.
1200	Approximate lunch break time each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided.
	There will also be opportunities for toilet stops during the day as required.
1900	Evening meal for the group at The Crown and Anchor at approximately 1900

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Yorkshire Coast Nature will be donating from the profits made on this trip to SBOT. All monies will go into their land purchase fund more details Click Here

Day Four	
0900 – 1700	Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding and phone-scoping.
1136	Unimog booking number II. We will travel down the Spurn Peninsular on the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Unimog accompanied by their guide. This is a great opportunity to see Spurn Point and birding in areas such as Chalk Bank where there is often a wader roost. The point is also good for migrant birds.
1200	Approximate lunch break time each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided. There will also be opportunities for toilet stops during the day as required.
1900	Evening meal for the group at The Crown and Anchor at approximately 1900
Day Five	
0900 – 1230	Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a half day birding and phone-scoping. At Kilnsea Wetlands. Final destination choice will be based on weather and bird activity immediately prior to the day.
1230	Tour ends

In addition to the above we have also arranged access to SBOT Birding Hub and be-spoke bird ringing demonstrations led by SBOT in partnership with YCN (timings to be decided)

Richard Baines and **Paul Wheatley** (see our web site yorkshirecoastnature.co.uk for profiles) will be leading this tour. We will work hard to ensure you have memorable experiences. Our small group tours ensure you learn a great deal, from identification tips to field craft advice, as well as getting to grips with those difficult-to-find species. With up to the minute bird, access and weather news our timetable may change. The unpredictability of east coast birding is all part of the fun!

Please Bring

Warm, waterproof clothing, stout footwear and, if you have them, binoculars. We do have a limited number of high-quality binoculars for hire at £10.00/day; please let us know if you need a pair. Two telescopes will be available on the tour for closer views of the birds.

Please note: Food will be provided as follows: **Day one**; evening meal, **Day two**; breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day three**; breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day four**; breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day five**; breakfast.

The tour will include some walking on rough ground. If you have a medical condition, physical or sensory impairment or learning difficulty which is relevant to the event, please let us know as soon as possible. Every effort will be made to conduct the tour; however, in exceptional circumstances such as severe weather, Yorkshire Coast Nature reserves the right to change the content, guides or cancel the tour at short notice. In the event of cancellation by Yorkshire Coast Nature a full refund of the tour costs will be made. If you have any queries prior to the tour please call Richard Baines on 07747753260.