

## AUTUMN PROGRAMME 2024

Most meetings are held at the Cruck Barn, on Tuesdays at 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Visitors are very welcome. Please note that clause 7 of the Society's constitution reads: "the Society will exercise due care when arranging its meetings and activities for the benefit of members. Members taking part in any meeting or activity do so at their own risk." Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served free of charge. Cups are provided, but you are encouraged to bring your own if you can.

### SEPTEMBER

- 3 **SUMMER REVIEW**  
Our return to the Cruck Barn after our outdoor season. Please come along willing to share a few recollections of your summer highlights
- 10 **SAVE WOLVERTON SWIFTS AND MARTINS**  
This local conservation group has only been running for a few years but has already achieved great results for swifts and house martins. Paul Duberry and Emma Rix will be on hand to tell us all about it.
- 17 Our Chairman **Matt Andrews** will share with us some more of his superb photographs from a recent foreign adventure.
- 24 **THE FLORA (AND FAUNA) OF SWITZERLAND'S UPPER ENGADINE VALLEY**  
**Tim Arnold** visited the valley early in the Alpine spring and found a wide variety of flowers below the retreating snow line, helped by the mixed geology of the area. He will share some of the floral highlights this evening.

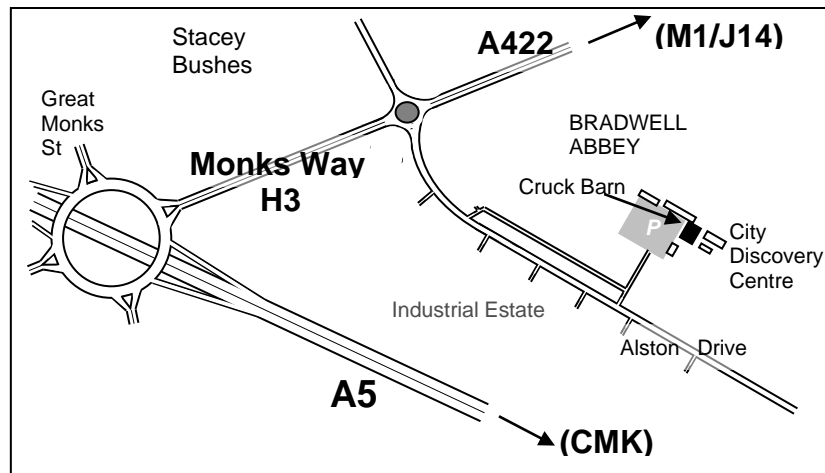
### OCTOBER

- 1 **THE GREEN ROOF PROJECT**  
**Chris Bridgman MBE** is Director of Bridgman and Bridgman, a Milton Keynes based company which leads the way in green roof technology and installation. Their aim is to ensure that every roof that can be, be green and wildlife friendly.

- 8 **A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF BRITISH DEER**  
We are fortunate tonight to be joined by a local authority on deer. **Will Waldron** is Senior Deer Keeper at the Woburn Estate. He will talk to us about the biology and behaviour of the various species and discuss their management and husbandry.
- 15 **BUILDING COLLABORATION FOR CLIMATE ACTION IN MILTON KEYNES**  
**Mike Flood** from Climate Action MK will give us an illustrated talk on this new partnership.
- 20 **LINFORD WOOD – SUNDAY MORNING WALK**  
A mid-autumn walk led by Martin Kincaid around a local wood well known to our members. We should find a good variety of fruiting fungi and perhaps late flowering plants.  
Meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start in the Enfield Chase car park, off V7 Saxon Street, adjacent to a BP garage and the large communications mast. MK14 9PB - SP844402 - tank.annotated.solder
- 22 **MEMBERS NIGHT – BOOK REVIEWS**  
These evenings have proved popular in the past. Please bring along a favourite wildlife book or piece of natural history writing and be prepared to say a few words about its importance to you.
- 29 **THE KITTIWAKE**  
If any bird is truly deserving of the name "Seagull" it is surely the kittiwake, a species far more at home on the open sea than on our shores. Why then, do so many nest on the Tyne? **Martin Kincaid** will talk about one of his favourite British birds.

**NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER TO FOLLOW**

# MILTON KEYNES NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY



## PROGRAMME

### SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER 2024

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#### **The Society meets every Tuesday:**

<b>September – April</b>	<b>Usually</b> in the Cruck Barn, City Discovery Centre (see map over), but occasionally some are held on Zoom. Commencing at 7.30pm, with tea/coffee, for <b>8.00pm</b> start.
<b>April – August</b>	At sites of local or regional natural history interest in the company of experienced naturalists. <b>7.00pm</b> start.