



FREE Countryside Ranger Events 2017

Whitelee Stroller Striders

Tuesdays 10am
Meet at the notice board by the Main Entrance gate

Join us on our healthy weekly parent and baby walking group which meets every Tuesday morning at 10am at the Whitelee visitor centre. The group then head out on a brisk walk, with the little ones snugly tucked up in their strollers or carriers, and are generally back by 12noon – just in time to go for a well deserved hot drink in the cafe! The walk isn't too strenuous and covers 4 miles on good quality tracks and the distance soon melts away as the chance to chat with other parents takes over.

Key & important information

Please contact the rangers for further information and to book events:

Address: Ranger Cabin, c/o Whitelee visitor centre, Whitelee windfarm, Moor Road, Eaglesham, East Renfrewshire G76 0QQ. E-mail: whitelee-crs@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk Tel: 0141 614 0962

Website: www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee

All events provided by the Whitelee Countryside Ranger Service are FREE.



Children's event

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Bring your mountain bike and helmet



Suitable for families



Bring lunch



Waterproofs Essential

- Date
- Time
- Booking essential
- Drop in event
- Meeting point

- The rangers may take photos during events to be used in promotional materials. If you do not wish to be photographed or do not wish your children photographed, please inform one of the rangers before the event begins.
- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Please wear/bring suitable outdoor clothing and footwear. Prepare for changeable weather.
- For cycle events please ensure bikes are well maintained and suitable for the terrain. Cycle helmets are mandatory on all WCRS cycle events.
- Dogs are welcome but some events may not be suitable for them. Please contact the rangers about bringing your dog to an event.
- All published distances and finish times are approximate and subject to change.
- Please consult the WCRS web pages (www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee) for maps and directions to event meeting points or contact the rangers.
- Please aim to arrive at least 5 minutes before the published event start time.











Feather Quilts and Wooden Walls



- Sat 18 Feb Drop-in
- 1.00pm 3.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Come along and help out your flighty neighbours this spring by building them a luxury home.

Whitelee Photography Walk



Sat 18 Mar 0141 614 0962

9.00am - 12noon Whitelee Visitor Centre

Take a stroll with a Ranger to the viewpoint with your camera and learn some basics in photography while gaining an insight into the windfarm.

Amphibian Amore



Sun 9 Apr Drop-in

7.00pm - 9.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Bring your wellies and a torch and let's go spy on some of Whitelee's amphibians as they return to their breeding ponds. Wrap up, don the wellies and bring a torch.

Egg 'n' roll



- Sun 16 Apr Drop-in
- 12noon 4.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Get hopping to Whitelee for an afternoon of Easter madness. This is your chance to show off your eggspert rolling skills in our annual egg roll and smash.

Warble A.M.



Sun 7 Mav 0141 614 0962

6.00am - 9.30am Ardochria

Fly Swiftly to Whitelee and join fellow bird lovers on International Dawn Chorus Day and Swallow the sounds of nature's choir on an approximately 2 mile guided walk. Bring your binoculars and we'll provide the soundtrack as well as a ... very pheasant cuppa at the end.

Mossy Bog Stomp



Sat 20 May 0141 614 0962 10.00am - 1.00pm

Join the Rangers for an off-track adventure. This walk covers approx. 4 miles over sometimes rough and boggy terrain, so remember your boots! Don't forget to pack your lunch and flask for a brew at the top of the hill. Not suitable for young children.

Cycle the circuit!





Sat 3 Jun

1.00pm - 3.00pm 0141 614 0962 Whitelee Visitor Centre

Dust off your bicycles and join us for a ranger led cycle around Lochgoin reservoir. We're partnering up with Cycle Station Kilmarnock who are bringing a limited number of adult electric bikes which will be available to borrow on the day – first come, first served.

Picnic Week Ax Ax • T **Party**







10.00am - 2.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Let's celebrate National Picnic week with an appetite inducing walk – then a hearty picnic at the viewpoint. Bring lunch and we'll transport it for you so you can enjoy the walk with family, friends, strollers, and the dog - let's make a day of it.

Whitelee **Summer Solstice**



Fri 23 Jun 0141 614 0962

■ 8.00pm - 11.00pm Ardochria

Come up to Whitelee for a short 3 mile walk to Corse hill, the highest point in the Windfarm and East Renfrewshire, to experience the longest day of the year with the Rangers.

Looking for somewhere to run a charity or sponsored event? Have you considered the unique setting of Whitelee? Contact the Whitelee Countryside Ranger Service for more information.

Boggy Beasties Club 🦹 🝟





Book your kids in early for our FREE fun-filled 'Boggy Beasties' summer holiday club and keep them off the Xbox/Playstation and active through the summer! The club runs every Wednesday from 10.30am - 12noon for 6 weeks during the summer holidays. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Spaces are limited. To book your places, please contact the WCRS:

Tel: 0141 614 0962

Email: whitelee-crs@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

Some weeks we'll be exploring new areas of the windfarm (away from the visitor centre), so please make sure to prepare for an outdoor adventure (e.g. check the activity and remember to bring outdoor clothing and go to the toilet first if not meeting at the visitor centre).

Directions to meeting points can be found at www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee

Ancient Symbols

- Wed 5 Jul
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Decipher some ancient Scottish symbols and sigils, and then create your own family sigil for the battle ahead!

Flags and Tunics

- Wed 12 Jul
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Use your family sigil to create your own flag and tunic for battle

Digging for Treasure

- Wed 19 Iul
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Uncover ancient treasure and artefacts at our archaeological dig. We might even use a metal detector!

Clay Play

- Wed 26 Jul
- Whitelee Visitor Centre

Discover the secrets of ancient pottery and create your very own pot to take home.

Battle of the Beasties

- Wed 2 Aug
- Carrot

Ready your weapons for some battle re-enactment from Scotland's past.

Boggy Highland Games

- Wed 9 Aug
- Carrot

Get ready to take part in our mini highland games and win for your family's honour.



Wooden **Wonders Bivvv Build**





Sat 1 Jul 0141 614 0962 1.00pm - 5.00pm

Whitelee Visitor Centre

Our popular den build returns – come and learn to build a weather tight bivvy and pit your skills against nature! Will it stand up and will you opt to brave the night in it? (Note: participants will be bussed to/from activity area. Overnight camping is your choice but WCRS cannot provide supervision.)

Hike the **High Points**







Sat 15 Jul

9.00am - 3.30pm 0141 614 0962 Whitelee Visitor Centre

Walk the high points, not guite Munros, with the rangers and enjoy the chat while taking in some amazing views.

Minibeast Hunt





Thu 10 Aug 1.00pm - 3.00pm 0141 614 0962
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Trek through the windfarm and get your eyes to the ground to look for the smaller creatures here at Whitelee.

Canine Capers







Sun 13 Aug Drop-in

1.00pm - 4.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

A day out for our 4 legged friends! Lots of games and activities to keep our fuzzy ones happy and healthy.



Weave that Willow!



- Sat 9 Sep Drop-in
- 11.00am 2.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

With our very own professional willow weaver come along and learn how to weave willow into almost anything from baskets to decorations.

Code, Go!



- Mon 25 Sep Drop-in
- 11.00am 2.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Time to get lost in the windfarm and get around our orienteering courses with nothing but a map, compass and a little brain power! Suitable for beginners right up to advanced level, you can complete them on foot or by bike.

Spoon Carving Special!

- Sun 14 Oct 0141 614 0962
- 10.00am 4.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Ever wanted to whittle a spoon but weren't sure where to start? Come along and discover how to craft your own spoon from green wood using traditional tools and skills. Limited spaces so book fast. 15yrs or older and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday Fright Night



- Fri 27 Oct Drop-in
- 6.30pm 8.30pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Prepare to be scared at Whitelee this Halloween. Take part in our gruesome games and dare to join us for a walk on the dark side...who knows what might be lurking in the shadows?

Firework Free



- Drop-in
- Fri 3 Sun 5 Nov
 6.00pm Midnight Whitelee Visitor Centre

Are your dogs scared of fireworks? Come up to the visitor centre between 6.00pm and midnight. The rangers will be on patrol to prevent fireworks and create a quiet zone where you can walk your dog in peace.

Arty Marty's Festive Frolics!



- Sun 3 Dec Drop-in
- 11.00am 2.00pm Whitelee Visitor Centre

Join Arty Marty for some festive arts and crafts.



For events updates and photos, as well as news and developments from Whitelee, follow us on Facebook and visit our web pages: www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/whitelee