

Montgomeryshire Moth Group ~ 2018 Events

www.montgomeryshiremoths.org.uk

All ages are welcome, beginners or experts; all events are free. Except for Lake Vyrnwy, these are evening events and we will set up lights at dusk to attract moths and then release them after identifying and recording them. You are welcome to join us for as much of the evening as suits you – we will probably stay for a few hours.

Events are likely to go ahead as planned unless there is exceptionally bad weather. News of any cancellation will be disseminated via the mailing list and the blog - **please check before setting off!**

Some sites may not be easy to find so please make sure that you know where the venue is before you set off!

Please bring a torch and wear suitable outdoor clothing.

- Sat 14th April** **Rhoslan farm, Rhôs-y-brithdir** **Meet: 19:00**
Target species: **Broom-tip**. Hosted by Simon Spencer.
Take the B4391 north from Llanfyllin. After 2 miles take the right signposted 'Rhos-Y-Brithdir'. Pass over the crossroads and take the next right, with a 'Tanat Kennels' signpost. Follow the left fork to the farm. Any issues finding event, Simon's number is 01691 648339.
Grid ref: SJ141229; postcode: SY22 5HB
Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/Bq3y7vKxpGp>
- Sat 28th April** **Lower View, Sarn** **Meet: 19:30**
Hosted by Steve Attwood-Wright.
On the A489 in Sarn take the road between the school and village hall heading south-east (the turning is marked with brick bus shelter). After 500yd take the left fork and then after 700yd take the right fork, there is a sign saying 'City'. You pass through a small hamlet and as you're leaving there is a steep tarmacked driveway on the left, sign saying 'Lower View only'.
Grid ref: SO211898; postcode: SY16 4HH
Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/zVn9HmKE9tv>
- Sat 2nd June** **Cors Dyfi Nature Reserve** **Meet: 20:30**
The reserve is found on the right-hand side, 4 miles south west of Machynlleth on the A487.
Grid ref: SN704984
Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/5xZ7kHBGPCJ2>
- Sat 16th June** **Llanymynech Rocks Nature Reserve** **Meet: 20:30**
Moth Night 2018. The theme is '**Pyralids**' – there are a number of this group present on the reserve, including some rare species associated with limestone grassland.
The reserve is between Llanymynech and Pant, and is signposted from main road (A483). Heading out of Llanymynech take the left down Underhill Lane, just before the Cross Guns Pub - where the speed limit changes from 30 to 40 mph. Please walk up from the reserve car park into the main part of the site.
Grid ref: SN704984
Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/z9JNzHNkdrn>
- Sat 14th July** **Lake Vyrnwy** **Meet 13:00**
NB: This is a daytime event. Joint event with RSPB. We will try to lure **Welsh Clearwing** with pheromones, as well as look for fresh emergence holes and exuviae. We will take a stroll and record any other diurnal moths that may be on the wing.
Follow the B4393 to the northern end of the lake and take the road towards Bala for one mile. You will cross a cattle grid and the road slopes down to cross a small stream at the bottom of the valley. We will meet by the bridge. There is parking either side of the bridge and also some additional space by the aforementioned cattle grid.
Grid ref: SH959256
Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/vmcx7iZpkxz>

Sat 4th August

Wern Claypits Nature Reserve, nr Arddleen

Meet 20:00

Joint event with Montgomeryshire Wildlife Trust, who will be bat recording.

Targeting: **Wainscots and other wetland species.**

From Welshpool take the A483 towards Oswestry for about 4 miles. In Arddleen, take the left turn on the B4392 (the Arddleen to Guilsfield road). Follow this road and take the first left (after c. 550yd), you will go on a bridge over the canal. After this bridge, take the immediate right and follow this road (avoiding the left turn) until you get to another humpback bridge over the canal. The site car park is directly before this bridge, on the left.

Grid ref: SJ252141

Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/WGuqk61LF9R2>

Sat 1st September

Coed Y Dinas Nature Reserve

Meet 19:00

From Welshpool head south on the A490 for about a mile and a half and the reserve entrance is just before the roundabout on the left.

Grid ref: SJ221052

Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/jdJEhWrPEM72>

Sat 22nd September Deri Woods, Llanfair Caereinion

Meet 18:30

Joint event with Montgomeryshire Wildlife Trust. Targeting: **Autumn Sallow species.**

At Llanfair Caereinion on the A458 cross over the river on Bridge Street, follow the high street along and round up to the right, staying on the B4385 through Llanfair, as you begin to leave Llanfair the road drops down, at the bottom of the hill the car park is on the right. In the car park there is a Llanfair Caereinion town road sign and a sign about the wood.

Grid ref: SJ099065; Postcode: SY21 0QX (approximate)

Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/rMDunafzQqD2>

Any queries please contact:

Douglas Boyes

douglas@montgomeryshiremoths.org.uk



What we'll be hoping for at Lake Vyrnwy!

Photo: MDH



The spectacular Llanymynech Rocks:
our venue for Moth Night 2018.



Traps illuminate Deri Woods.

Photo: MJ