

Dams to Darnley **Events Calendar**
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The starting points for country park events are shown on the map below. A more detailed map, showing path routes, can be found at www.damstodarnley.org or by contacting the countryside ranger service.



How to book

To book places on an event please contact the countryside ranger service on:
email: d2d@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk
phone: 0141 577 4053

Key chart

WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING	BOOKING REQUIRED	NO BOOKING REQUIRED
BRING A SNACK/LUNCH	BRING A TORCH	WEAR SPOOKY CLOTHING

Dams to Darnley Country Park events calendar 2019

East Renfrewshire and Glasgow City councils are working together to create Dams to Darnley Country Park. The country park sits in the greenspace separating Barrhead, Darnley and Newton Mearns.

Throughout the year the countryside ranger service will be leading a series of activities and guided walks within the country park.

All events in this calendar are free but most require booking. We look forward to meeting you and hope you take the opportunity to sample what's on offer. For more information or to book your place please contact the countryside ranger service.

Look out for next year's events calendar in January 2020.

Join our mailing list

To receive a copy of 'Wagtail', the country park's newsletter, simply pass your contact details to the countryside ranger service.

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You can also keep up-to-date by visiting:
www.damstodarnley.org
www.facebook.com/DamsToDarnleyCountryPark
www.twitter.com/Dams2Darnley

Volunteer days

Volunteer days give you the opportunity to do some practical conservation work within the country park, learn new skills and meet other people. Activities range from habitat management to wildlife surveying. No previous experience is required and all equipment is provided. We meet at 10am every second Thursday at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN. We finish at around 2pm so bring some lunch and dress for the outdoors.

Dams to Darnley Angling Club

Dams to Darnley Angling Club is run by local anglers with support from Dams to Darnley Country Park and Scottish Water. The club aims to make improvements for angling, promote the conservation of fish and wildlife and encourage responsible access to the countryside. Through events, coaching and social activities the club provides local anglers with tips, tuition and support.

For more information please contact the countryside ranger service.

Health walks

Our health walks are slightly longer than others. They cover a distance of up to four miles at a gentle pace and are suitable for all ages and abilities. Walks last approximately 1 3/4 - 2 hours and new walkers are always welcome.

Walks start at 10am on Wednesdays (all year)

Leaving from the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.

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MARCH

Dams to Darnley orienteering

Saturday 16 March, start anytime between 11am and 12.30pm

Description: Did you know we have a children's orienteering course in the country park? This is your chance to try orienteering at this easy, family event.

Location: Meet in the country park at the entrance behind the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN. The event will be signposted from the car park.



APRIL

Easter's eggcining event

Tuesday 9 April, 1-3pm

Description: Why not join us for some Easter fun and games on this family event? We can decorate our eggs and even go on a chocolate egg hunt.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



A spring walk

Sunday 28 April, 11am-1pm

Description: Join the countryside ranger on this easy stroll looking for signs of springs. Maybe we will spot some bluebells or summer visiting birds. Will the snowdrops have gone? Or perhaps just come along for the walk.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



MAY

Newts in our nets

Saturday 18 May, 2-4pm

Description: Come along for a pond dip looking for newts, toads, frogs and some of the other beasts that live in our pond. Maybe you will be lucky and catch one of our water scorpions or great diving beetles.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



JUNE

Aliens in the park

Sunday 23 June, 1-3pm

Description: There are quite a number of plant and animal species that have found their way to the country park, not from outer space, but from other countries. Some of them can cause problems for our own native species. On this walk we will try and discover which ones are classed as naturalised or invasive.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



JULY

Big butterfly count

Sunday 28 July, 2-4pm

Description: Take part in this national survey led by Butterfly Conservation as we try to count as many butterflies as possible. Or simply come along to learn a bit more about these fascinating insects.

Location: Meet at Parkmanor Green, off Parkhouse Road, Parklands Meadow G53 7ZE.



AUGUST

Home-made homes

Saturday 24 August, 11am-2pm

Description: Join in our ever popular summer shelter den building event. Bring along your lunch and have a picnic al fresco. All building materials and guidance supplied, but not the picnic! So bring one with you.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



SEPTEMBER

Bleach and bedrock

Saturday 21 September, 11am-1:30pm

Description: Find out about the fabulous geology of Dams to Darnley and how the rocks beneath our feet have been used over the centuries and the impact that this has had on the landscape we see today. Join us for a walk through 320 million years of the country park's history.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



Going batty!

Thursday 26 September, 6.45-8.30pm

Description: Come along to our annual bat walk and find out more about these fascinating creatures. Use bat detectors to hear their ultrasonic calls and watch them flying over your head.

Location: Meet at Patterson overflow car park, opposite side of the road from Patterson Railway Station, Newton Mearns G77 6NR.



OCTOBER

Arts and crafts afternoon

Tuesday 15 October, 1-3pm

Description: Join us for an afternoon of autumnal arts and crafts while the leaves are falling. Maybe you could make something from them? All materials will be provided.

Location: Meet at Patterson overflow car park, opposite side of the road from Patterson Railway Station, Newton Mearns G77 6NR.



Ghosts and games

Saturday 26 October, 6.30-8.30pm

Description: Join in some Halloween hijinks and games on our spooky Saturday event.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



NOVEMBER

Mushroom madness

Sunday 10 November, 11am-1pm

Description: Why not put the fun into fungi on a foray through the country park? We will be on the lookout for some fascinating specimens found throughout Dams to Darnley.

Location: Meet at the World Buffet restaurant car park, Corselet Road, Darnley G53 7RN.



DECEMBER

Christmas crafts

Tuesday 10 December, 7.9pm

Description: Get crafty and make your own Christmas wreath from willow and other natural material at our annual festive event. Book early to avoid disappointment. All materials will be provided.

Location: Venue to be confirmed.

