What’s going on at Montrose Basin in 2019

How much does it cost?
Normal Visitor Centre admission charges apply to the events in this programme, unless otherwise stated.
Join today and you can get in for free!
Children’s activities are suitable for those up to 10 years old.

Come prepared
For all children’s events, outdoor events and guided walks please wear suitable outdoor clothing. Children under eight years old must be accompanied by an adult.
Meet at Visitor Centre unless otherwise stated.

Don’t miss out!
PLEASE NOTE – ADVANCE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL FOR MOST EVENTS
Book your place by phoning Montrose Basin Visitor Centre on 01674 676 336 or visit scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/events.
Walks and activities are subject to minimum attendance being met.
* advance booking is essential; † not suitable for children

April

Mon 8th at 9:15am-11:15am  Journey to the centre of the mud

Wed 10th and Wed 17th at 10:30am-12 noon  Wild about the Basin
Discover what sorts of creatures make Montrose Basin their home. Children’s activity. Check our Facebook page for this week’s theme. Child £5.*

Mon 15th to Mon 22nd at 11am-4pm  Easter trail
Celebrate the Easter holidays at Montrose Basin by following clues inside and outside the visitor centre. Crack the code and you may even win a prize!

Sun 28th at 10:30am-4pm  Optics fair
Choose from a wide selection of telescopes and binoculars in our visitor centre with expert advice from a Viking Optical representative
May

Wed 8th at 9:30am-11:30am  Journey to the centre of the mud

Sat 11th at 10:30am-4:30pm  Basin birdsong
Join professional bird guide Scott for a full day exploring Montrose Basin and identifying the chorus of spring birdsong along the way. Bring a packed lunch and binoculars. Limited spaces available. Non-member £45, member £35.*

Sun 12th and Sun 19th at 2pm-4pm  Wildlife wander – family fun
Explore the Tayock area of our wildlife reserve to discover how many species you can find! Meet at Tayock car park. Non-member £6, member £4, child £2.*

June

Sat 15th and Sun 16th at 10:30am-4pm  Big Wild Weekend – 30 Days Wild
Take part in this year’s 30 Days Wild at Montrose Basin, with activities including pond dipping and wildlife watching. Check our Facebook page for more information.*

Wed 19th at 9am-11am  Journey to the centre of the mud

Fri 21st at 7pm-9pm  Summer solstice walk
To mark the longest day of the year, join a knowledgeable member of staff on a summer’s evening walk to the Shelduck Hide at Montrose Basin. Meet at Old Mill car park. Non-member £7, member £5, child £2.50.*

July

Every Wed at 10:30am-12 noon  Wild about the Basin
Discover what sorts of creatures make Montrose Basin their home. Children’s activity. Check our Facebook page for this week’s theme. Child £5.*

Fri 19th at 9:30am-11:30am  Journey to the centre of the mud

Fri 26th at 7pm-9pm  Montrose moth night
Join Paul, our resident moth enthusiast, for a fascinating evening learning about moths and his experiences as a moth recorder. A talk will be followed by a live moth-trapping demonstration. Non-member £7, member £5, child £2.50.*†
**August**

**Wed 7th at 10:30am-12 noon**
Wild about the Basin
Discover what sorts of creatures make Montrose Basin their home. Children's activity. Check our Facebook page for this week's theme. Child £5.*

**Wed 7th at 8pm-10pm and Fri 23rd at 7:30pm-9:30pm**
Sunset song of the shore

**Sat 10th at 9am-11am**
Bird ringing demonstration
Find out how licensed ringers catch, examine and ring some of the birds that can be found on the reserve. Non-member £7, member £5, child £2.50.*†

**September**

**Sun 22nd at 1pm-3pm**
Fungi foray
Meet with Jim Cook and members of the Tayside and Fife Fungal Group for a walk and fungi identification session at the Tayock area of the reserve. Meet at Tayock car park. Non-member £7, member £5, child £2.50.*†

**Sun 29th at 5pm-7:30pm**
Pink sunset
Join rangers to watch the sunset and see the geese return to roost on the Basin. Wear wellies and warm clothing. Bring a camping chair, torch and hot drink/soup. Meet at Tayock car park. Minimum age: 12. Led by Scottish Wildlife Trust and ANGUSalive rangers. Non-member £6, member £4, child £3.*

**October**

**Sun 6th at 6:30am-9:30am**
People’s Postcode Lottery goose breakfast
Enjoy the spectacle of thousands of pink-footed geese on the Basin at dawn. Return to the visitor centre for breakfast and the opportunity to learn about other wildlife on the reserve. Wear warm clothing. Own transport required to travel to watch location. Led by Scottish Wildlife Trust and ANGUSalive rangers. Non-member £10, member £8, child £5.*

**Wed 9th and Wed 16th at 10:30am-12 noon**
Autumn wildlife wander – family fun
Explore the Tayock area of our reserve to discover more about autumnal wildlife! Meet at Tayock car park. Non-member £6, member £4, child £2.*

**Sun 13th at 4:45pm-7:15pm**
Pink sunset
Join rangers to watch the sunset and see the geese return to roost on the Basin. Wear wellies and warm clothing. Bring a camping chair, torch and hot drink/soup. Meet at Tayock car park. Minimum age: 12. Led by Scottish Wildlife Trust and ANGUSalive rangers. Non-member £6, member £4, child £3.*
Sun 20th at 10:30am-4pm  Optics fair
Choose from a wide selection of telescopes and binoculars in our visitor centre with expert advice from a Viking Optical representative.

Sat 26th Oct to Sun 3rd Nov at 11am-4pm  Halloween trail
A suitably spooky trail of clues will be available for families to follow inside and outside the visitor centre

November

Sun 10th at 7pm-8:30pm  Starry night
Join Robert Law from Mills Observatory to learn more about the night sky. If there are clear skies, there will be guided stargazing. Otherwise, there will be an indoor planetarium projector.
Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*

December

Sun 1st at 1:30pm-3:30pm  Seasonal willow-weaving workshop
Join a willow-weaving expert in our visitor centre to create a decoration for the coming season.
Suitable for adults and children. Festive refreshments will be on offer!
Non-member £12, member £10.*