

RESTORING FARMLAND PONDS

A demonstration of how intensive farming and pond wildlife can happily co-exist at Manor Farm, Briston, Norfolk

Monday 10th June 2013, 10:30 am

University College London, Pond Conservation and Manor Farm, cordially invite you to a farm pond workshop on the 10th June 2013, starting at 11 am in the yard at Manor Farm, Norfolk (Grid Ref: TG 05599 33126, Postcode: NR24 2HJ). The day will consist of introductory talks on the value of restored ponds in the agricultural landscape, a tour around the Manor Farm ponds and demonstrations of important aquatic wildlife. On this day Pond Conservation will also be launching the 'Norfolk Important Areas for Ponds' study, beginning the process of identifying Norfolk's most important ponds for freshwater biodiversity. The event is invitation only and attendees will represent all the major UK conservation agencies.

Ponds are incredibly important features in agricultural areas, affording habitat for an array of plants and animals. Nevertheless, knowledge on how best to conserve and restore our existing and future farmland ponds is lacking.

The 40 small 'marl pit' ponds at Manor Farm are inspiring wildlife habitats. The ponds are managed on rotation to reduce terrestrialisation and on-going studies by UCL show the huge benefits of this approach for aquatic wildlife. At Manor Farm, wildlife and intensive agriculture happily co-exist and there are conservation lessons for current and future agri-environment policy.

Lunch will be provided. Estimated end time: 4pm
Wellies are essential.

Please contact Dr. Carl Sayer to book your place:
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Hosted by Manor Farm, Briston



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