

## **North Western Naturalists' Union: Bryophyte and Lichen Section Field Meetings 2018**

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All meetings are on Saturdays starting at 10:30 and will commence whatever the weather.

Please bring food and clothing adequate for a full day in the field and check with the leader or Section Secretary a day or so before the meeting in case of venue changes. Beginners are welcome at ANY meeting and there is usually a more experienced field bryologist present who will be more than happy to name and talk through the identification features of species encountered. There may not always be a Lichenologist present.

### **Saturday 24th March**

**Swallow's Wood and Devil's Bridge.** Meet at Meadowbank Farm, Green Lane, Hollingworth. SK007967. Park without causing an obstruction. From end of M67 follow the A628 (Woodhead Road) past A57 junction for a 1/4 mile Green Lane is on the left just after a chapel on the right and follow to the farm. SK14 8JW. (Could be very muddy at beginning of walk)

### **Saturday 7th April**

**Healey Nab, Botany Bay, Chorley.** Meet at fisherman's car park by Healey Reservoir **SD60461927**. Turn off M61 at J8 and follow A674 then take R turn onto Blackburn Road, B6228, as far as The Lock and Key pub by canal (**PR6 9AE**) (open from 12.00 onwards). Turn R into Heapey Lane for half a mile then turn right onto Higher Lane for car park a few yards beyond, sharp left. From there, we have a 10 minutes walk to reach footpath for Healey Nab, mixed woodland and heathland. Leader John Watt

### **Saturday 12th May**

**Longworth Clough.** Meet on minor road Belmont-Egerton at SD693157. Leader John Lowell.

### **Saturday 15th September**

**Middleton Dale.** Park in centre of Middleton-by-Youlgreave village. SK196632. Leader Joan Egan. (Joint meeting with Sorby NHS)