

**Northern England Raptor Forum Conference**  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018 (09:00-17:00 hrs)**  
**Askham Bryan College, York, YO23 3FR**



***Your invitation to attend***

The Annual NERF Conference for 2018 is being hosted by the North York Moors Merlin Study Group at Askham Bryan College, York. Registration, coffee and exhibits will be available for delegates from 09:00 hrs and the Conference will open at 09:50 hrs. Coffee, Lunch and afternoon refreshments are included in the ticket price.

As usual, there is an exciting and varied programme for you to enjoy. We'll be covering a wide range of topics guaranteed to be of interest to upland raptor fieldworkers and general birders. Delegates will be able to put questions to the speakers at the end of each session. The lunch break provides an opportunity to share experiences amongst friends and colleagues. Steve Downing, NERF Chairman, will also bring us up to date with recent developments within the Forum.

Topics and speakers for the 2018 Conference are: -

- *Honey Buzzards – no longer a Scottish enigma*  
Brian Etheridge
- *Highlights and Mysteries from a Study of Goshawks*  
Garry Marchant
- *The Merlin, the Moor and the Mystery*  
Dr John Edwards
- *A Message from the North York Moors National Park*  
Andy Wilson
- *Correlates of Merlin site occupancy and breeding performance across the UK*  
Ian Johnstone (RSPB Scotland)
- *Short Eared Owls: tracking their movements and other attempts to understand them*  
John Callandine (BTO Stirling)
- *The Shropshire Raven Study 1994-2015*  
Leo Smith
- *NERF Open Forum Steve Downing (NERF Chairman)*

**Delegate Fees**

Delegate fees are **£26.00**. Once again, demand for places is expected to be high so please book early to avoid disappointment. Please see the delegate booking form on the next page and follow the instructions.

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We are grateful to the North York Moors National Park Authority, RSPB, Hawk & Owl Trust, Forestry Commission, and Paramo Clothing for their assistance in helping to sponsor this year's conference.



# Delegate Booking Form

Only one applicant will be accepted on each form

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Surname		Forename	
Address			
		Post Code	
Telephone		Mobile	
Email			
Any Special Dietary Requirements			

Have you attended previous Northern England Raptor Conferences?	YES	NO
Are you a raptor fieldworker?	YES	NO
If Yes, which Group are you a member of?		
Any additional details		
Can your contact details be passed to future conference organisers? (Provision of email addresses helps keep costs low)	YES	NO

<b>Payment methods:</b>		
The delegate fee is <b>£26.00</b> , which includes refreshments and buffet lunch. Please book and pay by one of two ways		
<b>EITHER</b>		
Send a cheque by post, made payable to "C Dilcock NYM Raptor Group", along with a completed delegate booking form to: C Dilcock NERF Conference 86 Littledale Pickering North Yorkshire YO18 8PS	TICK	
<b>OR</b>		
Send an electronic BACS transfer to: - NatWest Bank; Account name "C Dilcock NYM Raptor Group" Sort code 60-16-30; Account Number 81020988. For clarity, please use your own name as the BACS "Transfer Reference" Return completed booking form to: C.Dilcock NERF Conference 86 Littledale Pickering North Yorkshire YO18 8PS	TICK	

Signature	
Date	

Every effort will be made to confirm your booking promptly by email.  
Any queries to [nerfconference@gmail.com](mailto:nerfconference@gmail.com)