


Hi everyone,

Welcome to the **March email update** to all OVA members. Huge apologies for not sending an update last month. This email contains the following updates:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are looking for people to help us in a number of different areas. Can you help? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town representatives for Budleigh Salterton and East Budleigh Events Organiser Editor for our "Otter Life" magazine and monthly email updates Talks Organiser We have 6 campaign areas, shown below. Can you help with any of these?
<p>AGM, Talks & Walks</p> <p>Why not join one of our walks, or attend an interesting talk?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our AGM is scheduled for 7:30pm on Wednesday May 13th in the Peter Hall. We look forward to seeing you all there. Our next talk is now on March 25th and will be the ORCA River Otter water update. We are delighted to offer this same talk in Ottery St Mary on April 8th. Our winter schedule of talks is almost complete – please mark your diaries for some great subjects Our walks team continue to excel in providing a series of amazing walks – check out the dates below and why not join one?
<p>Campaign 1</p> <p>We demand clean water in our river</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ORCA are working with Richard Foord (MP) to engage with the EA and SWW ORCA presented to Honiton Town Council ORCA river testing continues every two weeks – thankyou to all volunteers ORCA are giving two public updates – 25th March in Budleigh Salterton and 8th April in Ottery St Mary Riverfly testing will soon be starting
<p>Campaign 2</p> <p>To encourage sustainable and infrastructure-ready planning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have objected to a number of large development proposals in the valley A summary of all the representations we make on the OVA website
<p>Campaign 3</p> <p>To celebrate the incredible heritage of our Valley</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blue plaque for Ethel Frewin Mathieson Looking back in the archives: Sea-going Trade on the River Otter Our Easter Heritage – celebrating in East Budleigh Checkout the new exhibitions at Fairlynch museum – including some of our photography winners
<p>Campaign 4</p> <p>To encourage thriving biodiversity across our Parishes, Heaths, Valley & Estuaries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OVA offers funding towards a replacement bench in Otterton Attendance at Heaths to Sea Stakeholder meeting Showcase of some of the best photographs from our Facebook supporters Lampreys spotted in a small Otter tributary
<p>Campaign 5</p> <p>To encourage our local communities & visitors to adapt to better ways of living.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environment evening on Thursday 28th May during "Lions Gala Week" Collating programs to run in this campaign What ideas do you have?
<p>Campaign 6</p> <p>Helping the younger generation to care for our planet"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We were invited to visit one of the Honiton scout groups to talk about "Conservation". It was a brilliant session, and we are interested in doing more.
<p>Communications</p> <p>Logo's, Magazine, Adverts, Website & Social Media</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New logo's, new magazine and new pop-up banners New advertising in local magazines (Ottery Gazette, Newton Poppleford, and others) New online adverts on social media and websites We are starting a new project to transform the OVA website. Meanwhile, we continue to update the existing OVA website. Please do keep it bookmarked (www.oval.org.uk). We now have 2,413 supporters on our main Facebook group, and 458 supporters on our ORCA water quality campaign group ... please do join, engage and spread the word!



Can you help?

We are very proud and grateful for your continuing support of the Otter Valley Association. We hope that this email update gives you a good overview of our activities and how we are spending your subscriptions – and also our aspirations to work across the community and do more.

We have previously shared with you our focus areas, and this update gives you an assessment of where we are in each of these. Some are very well developed, with significant volunteers and activity. Others are just starting to get off the ground and are looking for more help. We cannot achieve our goals without your continued help. So ...

We are looking for a number of people to help us. Do you have a little time to spare?



- **Town representative for Budleigh Salterton.** *This role helps ensure we know what is happening in Budleigh Salterton, and acts as an interface between the local council and our charity.*
- **Town representative for East Budleigh.** *This role helps ensure we know what is happening in East Budleigh, and acts as an interface between the local council and our charity.*
- **Events Organiser** - *to help organise events that we run or take part in.*
- **Editor** – *to produce our quarterly magazine ("Otter Life") and these monthly email updates.*
- **Talks Organiser** – *sadly, Keith Grundy is stepping down from this role. We are looking for someone who can take over and help drive our talks programme.*

If you can help, please do let us know. If you know someone who could help, please do let us know. You can do this by emailing <mailto:info@ova.org.uk>. Without people helping, it becomes impossible to achieve our goals and deliver for you, our members.

AGM, Talks & Walks

1. The Otter Valley Association **Annual General Meeting**

NOTICE is hereby given that the 47th Annual General Meeting of the Otter Valley Association will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th May 2026 at the Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton.

Full details, including the Agenda, will be included in the Spring Otter Life magazine which will be distributed in late April. The formal business of the AGM will be followed by a short talk by a representative of the Devon Nature Recovery Project. The Trustees Annual Report for the year to 31 March 2026 will also be available to members in late April in advance of the AGM.

Nominations are invited for Trustees to join the Executive Committee in accordance with the Constitution and should be submitted to the Secretary, Otter Valley Association, PO Box 70 Budleigh Salterton EX9 6WN, to be received not less 14 days prior to the AGM.

Please do mark your diaries. We look forward to seeing you to the AGM and the talk from the Devon Nature Recovery Project.



2. Talks with the Otter Valley Association

Our next talk is on March 25th at the Peter Hall in Budleigh Salterton. Our ORCA team will be providing an update on the River Otter water program – including latest data, engagements with the EA and SWW.

Ottery St Mary – first ever talk!

We are delighted to offer our first OVA talk in Ottery St Mary on the 8th April. This will be a repeat of the ORCA water update on the 25th March.

Autumn Talks Programme

We are delighted to be able to share our autumn and winter talks programme with you. More details will be provided in due course, but please do mark your diaries for the following talks:

March 25th (Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton)	Update on the ORCA campaign for clean water in the River Otter – by our very own ORCA team.
April 8th (Ottery Institute, Ottery St Mary)	Update on the ORCA campaign for clean water in the River Otter – by our very own ORCA team.
May 13th (Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton)	The Otter Valley Association Annual General Meeting Followed by a talk from the Devon Nature Recovery Project
Sept 16th (Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton)	A Real Fungi by Stuart Skeates. This talk will be accompanied by two OVA foraging walks in the autumn programme
October 14th (Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton)	Wildlife in our villages and gardens by David White
October – To be confirmed (Ottery Institute, Ottery St Mary)	Wildlife in our villages and gardens by David White
November 18th (Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton)	An update on the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) CPRE by Penny Mills

Talks are open to all. Doors open at 7pm and the ticket cost is £4.00 for members and non-members.

3. Walks Update: **Weekly walks**

Why not come out and enjoy the scenery, meet friends and learn about our local surroundings? Everyone is welcome and there is no charge for these walks. We have four great walks planned. Full details of all walks are always available on the OVA website [[here](#)]. Please always check the OVA website for last minute updates, cancellations or changes – one can never be sure what weather awaits us next week, let alone next month!

Thursday 19th March	"Uplyme, Lyme Regis and the Viaduct" Starts at 10am - approx 5.75 miles - 3.5 hours
Tuesday 24th March	"A Circular Walk from Otterton to the Eastern Commons" Starts at 10.00am - 8.5 miles - 4 hours
Tuesday 31st March	"Downstream to the Sea" Starts at 10.00am - 6.5 miles – 3.5 hours PLUS bus ride
Thursday 9th April	"Stowford and the Edge of the Commons" Starts at 10am - 5.6 miles - about 3 hours
Tuesday 14th April	"A Stroll in the Neighbouring Sid Valley" Starts at 10:00am - 5miles - 2.5 hours
Thursday 23rd April	"Ever Walked on a Swan's Neck?" Starts at 10.00 am - 6.5 miles - 3.5 hours
Thursday 30th April	"Shaldon and The Ness" Starts at 10am about 5.5 miles - 3 - 3.5 hours
Thursday 7th May	"A Dartmoor Pony Heritage Trust Guided Walk on Dartmoor taking in the flora and fauna, geology, geography, history, archaeology, and ponies". Starts at 10:30am – 3 miles – 2.5 hours



Campaign 1: We demand clean water in our river

A lot has happened since our last update. We would like to thank everyone for their help, advice, guidance and action in testing, analysing and campaigning for the river Otter. It has become clear from our testing that much of the poor quality of the middle and lower Otter is driven by high phosphate levels, down-stream of the sewage works particularly at Honiton. This has most impact on river ecology in Summer when river levels are low and plants are growing. Phosphate drives algae growth, reducing oxygen levels and this negatively impacts on invertebrates, fish and other plant species.

We know that high phosphate arises both from sewage (untreated and treated discharges) and also from agricultural run-off. According to the published data from the EA, agriculture is to blame above Honiton, and sewage below.

The treated sewage should have much of the phosphate removed - the level allowed along the Otter we believe is too high for this type of river, but even at this high permitted level some of the sewage works are breaching the phosphate levels too often and we would like to see enforcement of their permit levels.

Improvements at the 5 most polluting sewage works along the Otter would significantly improve water quality and we are working with Richard Foord MP, SWW and the EA to see what can be done.

There are proposals for large numbers of new houses along the Otter catchment - we are also campaigning for the sewage works that are currently at or over capacity to be upgraded before new houses are built and added to the system.

Update to Honiton Town Council

The ORCA team met with the full council to share an ORCA update. The council were attentive, asked many questions and we will be following up to determine if they want any further actions from that meeting.

Engagement with the Environment Agency and South West Water

The ORCA team are continuing to engage with EA and SWW around improvements to the most polluting sewage works, particularly at Honiton. We continue to push for reductions in untreated storm overflows, enforcement of current permitted phosphate levels in treated discharge and reductions in phosphate levels in all treated sewage along the Otter.

Riverfly Testing – underway!

Riverfly testing is another way of monitoring the health of the river. It is a citizen science method where volunteers monitor river health by sampling and counting freshwater invertebrates, such as mayflies, caddisflies, and stoneflies, to detect changes in water quality. Because these insects are highly sensitive to pollution, their presence or absence acts as an early warning system for ecological problems, making Riverfly testing a vital tool for protecting rivers and ecosystems.

The OVA programme is being run in collaboration with the Ottery Fly Fishing Club (OFFC). OVA member, and OFFC secretary, Martin Davies has met with the EA to agree locations for testing up the river, and members of the OFFC will be performing the testing. This will augment the Riverfly testing that Clinton Devon Estates are doing near the lower stretches of the river Otter and its tributaries.

If you would like to help, please do get in touch.

River testing Programme

The ORCA team are continuing to test the river every two weeks with a team of 54 volunteers. The results show that the phosphate level climbs immediately after the Honiton sewage treatment works, and remains ABOVE the "Upper Safe Level" (as defined by the EA) until near the new nature reserve at the mouth of the river Otter in Budleigh Salterton.

The ORCA team are investigating the possibility of expanding the testing to include Bacteria Testing for E-Coli in the river Otter.



River Otter Catchment Plan

The ORCA team continue to meet with like-minded groups. We recently joined a meeting organised by the West Country Rivers Trust that looks at farming practices and river pollution. We are working with this group and others on how to build out a more complete catchment plan for the river Otter.

Campaign 2: To encourage sustainable & infrastructure ready planning

Recently we have objected to a number of large development proposals in the valley, including two major housing proposals in Ottery St Mary. Here our main objection is based on the **totally inadequate** sewage treatment works at Fluxton, already operating at 15% above design capacity, so will not be able to deal with the additional 200 houses proposed without a major upgrade.

We continue to monitor planning applications and will make representations of applications that contravene local planning guidelines or affect our beautiful conservation areas. You can see a list of all the planning applications on the OVA website (under the "Built Environment" menu). You can also see all objections to any planning applications on the EDDC planning website.

Campaign 3: To celebrate the incredible heritage of our Valley

Blue Plaque: **Celebrating** Ethel Frewin Mathieson

We have worked with the residents of Frewins, in Bedlands Lane, Budleigh Salterton, who requested a Blue Plaque to commemorate Ethel Frewin Mathieson (1874 - 1954), who funded the development of this small housing project. She was a suffragist who was the Honorary Secretary of the Budleigh Salterton branch of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Society in 1913. Subsequently she became the Secretary of the South Western Federation and she also sat on the main National Executive in London of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies.

We plan to unveil this plaque towards the end of this month, date as yet to be arranged. A more complete story of her life will be in the next "Otter Life" magazine.

Our Easter Heritage – celebrating in East Budleigh

Join David White and the East Budleigh group at a special "Easter" talk at the East Budleigh heritage centre – refreshments will be available!

Our Easter Heritage
David White Talk at 3pm
East Budleigh Heritage Centre
 In Salem Chapel, Vicarage Road, EX9 7EF
 Saturday/Sunday 4/5 April 2026 2-4pm







David will share his captivating photos of our local rabbits and hares in the Otter Valley and talk about their main differences. There will also be a nostalgic display of Easter Bunny cards over the ages.



Refreshments and Easter Goodies available.
 Arranged by the East Budleigh History Society
 in association with the Otter Valley Association.
 Contact Maria on 0777 321 8582.

Looking back in the archives: **Sea-going Trade** on the River Otter

In our continuing series of articles from OVAPedia, Maria is examining the sea-going trade on the river Otter.

The principal maritime trade was related to the cloth industry. Professor Hoskins writing on Exeter Merchants states "Devon had become by the 16th century one of the leading textile counties in England. The cloth industry was quite ancient. As far back as the 12th century Exeter was an important cloth-producing town, but in the main the county simply produced the wool, most of which was exported and not manufactured into cloth locally. During the 14th century, more of this wool was woven into cloth locally, mostly by people in their homes. All over Devon we find references to the setting up of fulling mills wherever there was water power". The 14th century Exeter Customs Accounts of the quantities of cloth making materials being imported supports this.

Fulling Mills are first mentioned in the 1524 Subsidy for Budleigh which names Henry Kennewode as holding "dyverys Tokyn (tucking) mylls and cornemylls". In 1540 Richard Duke bought Otterton and Budleigh Manors including two Fulling Mills. Kenwood's holding was one and the other was harnessed to Otterton Mill leat. It had racks for drying cloth in a field behind the Mill House still called "rack field" in 1843. These mills probably existed in the 1400's.

The raw wool grown by the local farmers in the valley was spun and woven in cottages in the villages, the unfinished cloth taken to the fulling mills for final treatment. In 1675 Isaac Hill, fuller, lived in Otterton and dealt with Richard Bartlett, dyer, of Ottery St. Mary. Kersey was probably the cloth manufactured. By the 16th/17th centuries the cloth was taken to Exeter for sale and probably shipped abroad from Topsham, but earlier in the 15th century the cloth would have been shipped from Ottermouth to home ports or ports on the continent.

It was during this time that the local farmers who farmed the sheep, also prospered and a number of their farm houses in Otterton and Budleigh were built. In Otterton Manor the following have survived - Anchoring, Horestones, Pinn, Pitson and Pavers and also April/Garden Cottages in Fore Street. Survivors in Budleigh Manor are Nos.1&2 Cottages, Dalditch Lane, once a farmhouse and Pulhayes, there are probably others.

There are many 16th century survivors indicating that lucrative trading continued into the 16th century. Otterton has The Barton Farmhouse, Stantyway Farmhouse, Houseterns, Basclose and The Barn which are all in the village and Ashtree to the north. Budleigh has Churchstile, Batstones (now Nos 3,5,7, High Street) and Nos. 38 & 40 High Street (now Sir Walter Raleigh Inn) all in East Budleigh and Dalditch Farmhouse. Today these cob and thatched houses have helped the two villages to become tourist attractions.

Fish was also exported by coastal or overseas bound ships. Fishing off the south-east Devon coast from Exmouth to Axmouth was a major occupation. Otterton, East Budleigh, possibly Colaton Raleigh harbours were still open to fishing boats. Otterton market (1086) and Sidmouth market (1214), both had dealings with many commodities including fish. The surplus fish caught off-shore was sold in these markets, and moved to towns inland and up country.

Fairlynch Museum Exhibitions

If you have a chance between Easter and October, please do drop by the Fairlynch Museum. You will see a wonderful exhibition of wildlife photographs in their exhibition room – many of which are OVA competition winners and entrants.

Campaign 4: To encourage thriving biodiversity across our Valley

Ottertton Bench replacement

The OVA have offered Ottertton Parish Council half the cost to replace the wooden bench by the riverside footpath opposite Ottertton Mill to a maximum of £200.

Heaths to Sea Stakeholder meeting

The Chair has drafted a letter of support from the OVA EC to be sent to DEFRA supporting CDE's application for funding of the 'Heaths to Sea' Landscape Recovery project. The letter was read to the meeting and following a brief discussion approved by the EC.

Lampreys spotted in one of the river Otter tributaries

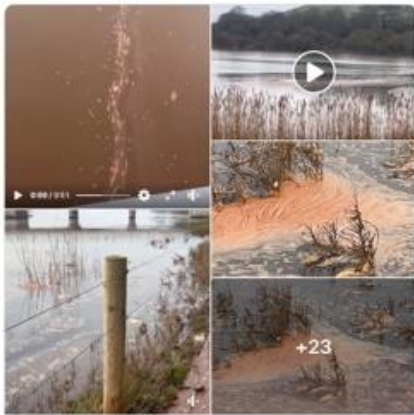
One of the water testing team were delighted to recently spot a spawning aggregation of Brook Lamprey's. These were located well up one of the minor tributaries – and not in the main river itself. Hopefully a positive sign of nature.



Pictures from local photographers on our Facebook group

Here are the most popular posts that have been published in the last month - the Ottertton weir, Spoonbills, an amazing full moon and nature have clearly been of great interest to everyone. The sighting of sewage - which then turned out not to be sewage after all - was also up there in most views and commented on. This only goes to show how passionate we all are with regards to the health of our river:

1. **"Ottertton Weir"** showing significant debris in the water by Sarah Morrish has been viewed by 7,658 people.
2. **"My first Hare sightings in the Otter valley"** by Sharon Bowyer has been viewed by 6,490 people.
3. **"Ottertton Weir after the recent flood"** by Geoff porter has been viewed by 5,774 people.
4. **"Spoonbills at Budleigh Salterton LORP"** by Martin Cunningham has been viewed by 5,145 people.
5. **"A positively 'tropical' dawn start"** by Rob Davies has been viewed by 2,946 people.
6. **"Moon rise"** by Mike Simcox has been viewed by 2,843 people
7. **"Kestrel hovering"** by Chris Bailey has been viewed by 2,460 people.
8. **"Spoonbill activity"** by Nick Howe has been viewed by 2,418 people
9. **"Sewage"** by Patricia Lovelock has been viewed by 2,243 people
10. **"Nature on a bright morning"** by Rob Davies has been viewed by 1,895 people.





Campaign 5: To encourage our local communities & visitors to better ways of living.

We are delighted to welcome Jan Billionington to the OVA as the leader of this campaign. We asked her why this is important – and her reply says it all:

*“People are at the heart of every community. We want to help promote a healthy but sustainable way of life for our community - particularly in the face of a **changing environment**”.*

As we build this campaign out, we are looking for ideas that will appeal to our community. This has to be driven by volunteers so please take a few moments to review this area and share your thoughts and comments with us by emailing info@ova.org.uk. What are your priorities? Which areas would you like to see prioritised?

- To champion sustainable practices both as the OVA but also acting as an umbrella or for other likeminded groups to unite the valley in a joined-up response to the impact of Climate Challenge. That way we can best support other groups that are promoting healthier living and positive change.
- To encourage engagement with members, towns and like-minded associations.
- To communicate and celebrate examples of sustainable best practice that are happening locally and further afield.
- To encourage self-help through volunteering and engagement, building a sense of public spiritedness and community ownership.

If you have other ideas, please do contact us and share them. We would also be delighted if you wanted to help progress one or more of these. Again, please do get in touch. There is a lot to consider here and change comes from within.

We are working with the Budleigh Lions and Plastic Free Budleigh to put on a showcase during the Lions Gala Week called “Adapting for a Changing Future”. So, please do mark your diaries. More details will be shared in the coming weeks:

Adapting for a Changing Future

An evening of talks and Inspirations, celebrating community-led climate Initiatives
Thursday 28th May at 7pm at the Public Hall In Budleigh Salterton

Campaign 6: Helping the younger generation to care for our planet

We were recently invited to present a conservation project to one of the Honiton **scouting** groups. They called us to explain that their scouts were working on a conservation badge. Of course, we jumped at the opportunity and spent an amazing evening with the scouts discussing Farming,

The session went very well - we talked about protecting the soil and discussed bugs, plants, animals, soil and farming. We also discussed the world of pollution – where it comes from, why it happens and how it affects the river. They asked masses of questions and were very attentive.

It is clear that the younger generation are keen to understand about conservation, nature and the world around us. We are interested in how we can help through engaging with scouts and guides, youth groups and schools. However, we cannot do any more without help. So, if this is something that interests you, please do get in touch.



Communications: Logo's, Adverts, Website & Social Media

We have finalised new logos, created new banners for the OVA, ORCA and a draft for our Flora, Fauna & Fungi group (see below). We have produced a new quarterly magazine called “**Otter Life**” that is now sold through local shops. We are publishing online and printed adverts on various Facebook and web sites, and in local parish magazines. If you know of other magazines where you would like to see OVA adverts, please do let us know.

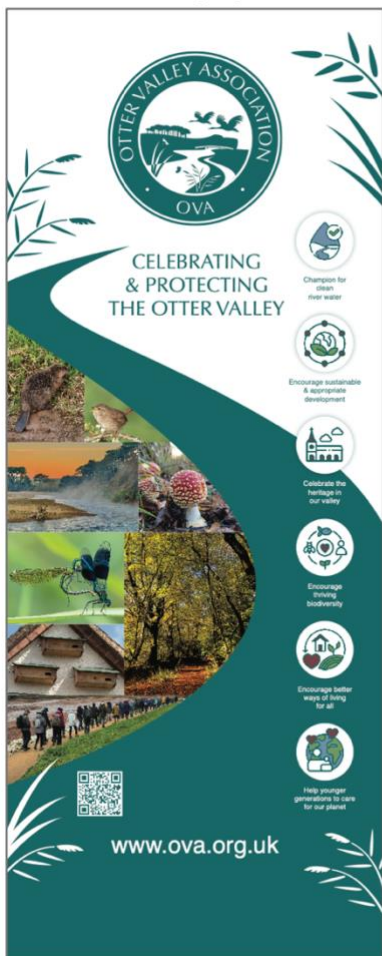
We continue to update the OVA website with new sections and additions. Please do keep it bookmarked (www.oval.org.uk). We are now starting a new project to **update** the OVA website. Please let us know if you have web experience and would like to be involved. Our design goals are:

- Mobile-first website
- Delivers content to users when they search
- Self-service content service for members of the OVA who want to promote their campaigns, walks or talks.

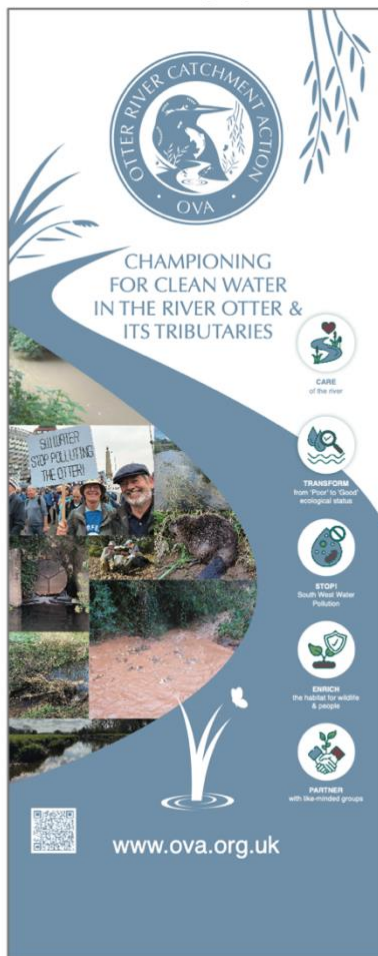
We now have **2,413 supporters** on our main Facebook group (up from 1,838 at end of 2025), and 458 supporters on our ORCA water quality campaign group (up from 353 at end of 2025).

We have a number of active **WhatsApp** groups that we wanted you to be aware of: ORCA leadership team; ORCA Water testers; OVA Flora & Fauna group; OVA Walkers; OVA Town and Village Reps. Do let us know if you would like to join any of them.

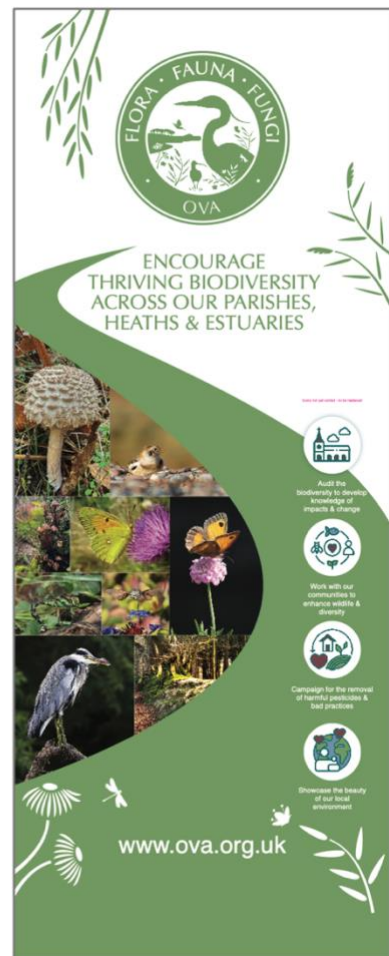
New OVA Pop-up Banner



New ORCA Pop-up Banner



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Here are a selection of **adverts** that have been published

OVA Talk adverts on social media:

HAVE YOU SEEN MY LITTLE RUBBER DUCK?

Our oceans form a critical part of planet life, and yet pollution is extensive. Whether it be plastics, chemicals, sewage, oil spills or industrial waste ... the impact on marine ecosystems are profound. Join Ken Atherton and the OVA to learn more.

www.oval.org.uk

Wednesday 18 February 2026

Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton

DOORS OPEN 19:00, TALK COMMENCES 19:30

Talks are open to all and the ticket cost is £4 for members and non-members

MURKY WATERS HARD TRUTHS

The State of Our River

Wednesday March 25

Peter Hall (behind St Peters Church) Budleigh Salterton

Doors open 19:00, talk commences 19:30. Talks are open to all and the ticket cost is £4 for members and non-members

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Polluted by South West Water and agricultural practices, the river Otter is in poor ecological health. Join the Otter Valley Association to learn what our water quality data reveals about the health of our river, why it matters, and how informed local action can protect it for the future.

OVA Walks on social media:

BIRDS AND SNOWDROPS

Wednesday 25 FEBRUARY 2026

10am - 5.5 miles - 4 hours

Our free walks, led by friendly volunteers, are:

- A great way to meet new (and old) friends
- Explore the countryside
- Be outdoors and be healthy
- Learn about our heritage and wildlife
- Open to anyone

Meet: Recreation Ground car park, Back Lane, Newton Popleford OS 115, SY 088 899; what3words ///unfit.homing.badminton

Please contact walk leader if you have never walked with the OVA before - details at www.oval.org.uk

THE PUFFING BILLY

A WALK FROM BUDLEIGH TO EXMOUTH

Thursday 10 Feb 2026 @10.15am - (~5.5 miles, 3 hrs)

Our free walks, led by friendly volunteers, are:

- A great way to meet new (and old) friends
- Explore the countryside
- Be outdoors and be healthy
- Learn about our heritage and wildlife
- Open to anyone

Meet: Budleigh Library Station road, Budleigh Salterton OS115 SY062 820; what3words ///beaten.fuzzy.kinds

Please contact walk leader if you have never walked with the OVA before - details at www.oval.org.uk

OVA Adverts in printed magazines:

MURKY WATERS HARD TRUTHS

The State of Our River

Public Talk on Wednesday March 25

Otterry Institute
34 Yonder Street, Otterry St Mary, EX11 1HD
Doors open 19:00, talk commences 19:30

Talks are open to all. £4 entry fee payable at the door if you are not a member of the OVA already, join at the door. Membership is £10 for an individual / £15 per household, and receive our latest magazine and our Walking Companion and gain FREE ENTRY to the talk.

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Brought to you by The Otter Valley Association

Black & White advert placed in the Otterry Gazette

OTTER VALLEY ASSOCIATION

The Otter Valley Association is your local campaigning group focusing on the natural environment, water quality, planning, walks and community

JOIN NOW AND HELP US TO CELEBRATE & PROTECT THE OTTER VALLEY

- Champion for clean water
- Encourage sustainable & appropriate development
- Celebrate the heritage in our valley
- Encourage thriving biodiversity
- Encourage healthier ways of living for all
- Help younger generations to care for our planet

Colour advert placed in the Newton Popleford magazine

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