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Date	River & location	Event Details	Event Organiser Contact Details
June 25 1.30pm – 4pm	River Thames/ Darent Trans Boundary Walk. Meet: Erith Station, Stonewood Rd DA81TY	Tales from the Riverbank. A walk and talk: Erith coastal path and tidal Darent: Join Amy Pryor for a walk from Erith Station to Slade Green station, taking in information about environmentalism, nature, the tidal Thames and the sea. Event link . Book essential via Eventbrite .	Amy Pryor, Thames Estuary Partnership 07838 386145 a.pryor@ucl.ac.uk
June 25 10.30am-2pm	Meet by the café in Ladywell Park at its northern end, near Ladywell Train Station, Lewisham, SE13 7XA	LONDON RIVERS WEEK OPENING EVENT: A range of family-friendly activities will take place to highlight how rivers play a part in our health and wellbeing. Meet Thames21, the Environment Agency and other organisations and hear about the work they are doing to improve the rivers in all London's neighbourhoods as a space for wildlife and people to enjoy. Event link	Chris Coode, Thames21 07813 799757 chris.coode@thames21.org.uk
June 26 4pm-6pm	Watling Park, Meet: Abbots Road, Edgware, Barnet, HA8 ORF	Brent Balsam Bash: Conservation session and talks: Unwind from the day down by the river bank! Join in a Himalayan balsam blitz and litter pick. Learn how to identify other common invasive species, report them and prevent them spreading. Partnership event between Thames21, Environment Agency and London Borough of Barnet Council. Event link .	Billy Coburn, Thames21 07557 970812 billy.coburn@thames21.org.uk
June 27 9.30am to 4pm	Lea Navigation Meet: Towpath, adjacent to Kessock Close, Tottenham, N17 9PW	Kessock Close Reedbed Installation with Thames21: Build and install a Thames21 floating ecosystem at Kessock Close. This summer, as part of the Love the Lea Programme, Thames21 will be installing more than 250 metres of 'floating ecosystems' on the Lea Navigation. Event full, but please register your interest for future reedbed installation opportunities this summer.	Ben Fenton, Thames21 07920 230970 ben.fenton@thames21.org.uk
June 27 10am to 1pm	Meet at Little Britain Lake river ford car park, Packet Boat Lane, UB8 2JR	Walk and Talk: Trail of Discovery. Join the Friends of the River Pinn and Fray's River, for a Waterway Walk. It starts at Little Britain Lake, situated between the River Colne and Frays River. The walk explores the rivers and canals of the Cowley Peachey areas. Learn about the waterways and wildlife of the area, while enjoying healthy exercise. Event link .	Paul Busby, Thames21 07554 402727 paul.busby@thames21.org.uk
June 27 11.30am to 2pm	Tidal Thames Meet: Strand on the Green, W4 3PD	Talk & activity: Meet the fish of the Thames. Come down to the Thames foreshore and learn more about the fish in the Thames, and how to identify different species. Help record the number of baby eels, too! Event link	Dave Webb, Environment Agency 0208 4746674 david.webb@environment-agency.gov.uk



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June 27 12pm-3pm	Horseshoe Picnic Area, next to Springfield Bridge and Springfield Marina, E5 9BL	Exhibition: Meet the Environment Agency. A showcase on the Environment Agency's work: flood barrier and weed cutting boat demonstrations; meet staff and learn how they respond to pollution incidents, monitor and improve the health of London's rivers, and more. Event link.	Amanda MacLean, Environment Agency. 07557 190457 amanda.maclean@environment-agency.gov.uk
June 27 2pm-7.30pm	Meet: The Riverside Centre, 113 Culvers Avenue, Carshalton, SM5 2FJ	Exhibition: Rain Gardens on the Wandle: Visit the Riverside Community Centre, Carshalton, and find out about the Wandle Rain Gardens project. Learn how to make your own garden and neighbourhood more resilient to climate change and to protect the River Wandle's biodiversity too. Claudia Innes from Thames Water, will attend to talk about biodiversity on the Wandle. Event link.	Joanna Ecclestone, London Wildlife Trust 07891 004154 jecclestone@wildlondon.org.uk
June 27 6pm-7.30pm	Lea Bridge Rd London E5 9RB	Talk: Help migrating eels – join monitoring project. The European eel (<i>Anguilla Anguilla</i>) is critically endangered. Recruitment of young eels back into European rivers has rapidly declined over the last 30 years. The Zoological Society of London has been monitoring the migration of eels into the Thames catchment since 2005 – and they want to recruit YOU to help! Event link.	Joe Pecorelli, Zoological Society of London 07974 725557 joe.pecorelli@zsl.org
June 27 6pm-8.30pm	Cool Oak Lane Bridge next to Woolmead Avenue NW9 7BH	Activity: Balsam, Birding and Beer. In celebration of London Rivers Week join the Friends of the Welsh Harp for a session of Himalayan Balsam bashing. Finishing up at the hides for some birding and beer! Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. Event link.	Daniella Levene, North West London Clean Up northwestlondoncleanup@hotmail.com
June 28 10am-1pm	River Pinn Meet: Hillingdon Sports and Leisure Complex Car Park, Gatting Way, UB8 1ES	Outdoor Green Gym and Nature Walk: Join Thames21 and The Conservation Volunteers (TCV) for an outdoor Green Gym and conservation activity, and a Nature walk around the river Pinn. The walk will explore the habitats of the River Pinn and Hillingdon Leisure Centre Pond. Learn about the wildlife of the area, while getting a gentle workout. Event link.	Paul Busby, Thames21 07554 402727 paul.busby@thames21.org.uk
June 28 11.30am-2pm	River Wandle Merton High Street, Colliers Wood, SW19 1DD	Discover the fish of the Wandle: Talk and demonstration: Come down to the river Wandle and learn about the fish. The middle Wandle contains a selection of coarse fish including barbel, chub and dace. Witness a fish survey as officers wade into the river to chart the fish populations on the Wandle. Event link.	Dave Webb, Environment Agency 0208 4746674 david.webb@environment-agency.gov.uk



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June 28 1pm-3pm	Crabtree Wharf, behind Crabtree Pub, Rainville Road, Hammersmith, W6 9HA	Discover Thames River Watch: Tales from the Riverbank: Watch as Tideway contractors demonstrate Thames21's flagship citizen science project - and discover how you can get involved. Thames River Watch collects data about the types of litter washed up on foreshores and measures its water quality. The results make headlines around the world. Event link.	Jennifer Charteris, Tideway For information about Thames River Watch call Thames21 on 020 7248 7171.
June 28 2pm-3.30pm	Whitchurch Lane (on North March) Harrow, HA7 1AH	Walk and Talk: Official opening ceremony of Stanmore Marsh Wetland. Join us for some fun, a guided walk and the official opening of the recently restored Stanmore Marsh in Harrow! This is the culmination of a two-year project involving Harrow Council, Thames21, Thames Water and Big Green Fund (Greater London Authority). Event link.	Vicky D'souza, Thames21 07827 852599 vicky.dsouza@thames21.org.uk
June 28 6pm-8pm	Camley Street Natural Park, NW1 OPW	Conference talk: How Citizen Scientists are transforming London's Rivers. Speakers from London Wildlife Trust, Zoological Society of London & Thames21 give their findings from their various research projects. Learn how you can make a difference as a citizen scientist! Eventbrite booking required. Event link.	Petra Sovic Davies, London Wildlife Trust 07817 380528 pdavies@wildlondon.org.uk
June 29 JUST A FEW SEATS LEFT	Bow Locks, E3 3JY	Talk: Reedbed boat tour of the River Lea. A guided tour of reedbed installations and their benefits to wildlife, via a short cruise along the River Lea, starting at Thames21's Bow Locks office and ending at the Crate Brewery.	Ben Fenton, Thames21 07920 230970 ben.fenton@thames21.org.uk
June 29 10.30am-1.30pm	Meet: Foots Cray Meadow, Leafield Lane, Sidcup, DA14 5EB	Talk and river enhancement. Thames21 and London Wildlife Trust will be working together at Footh Cray Meadow to enhance the river and talking about the River Cray. Why not get involved in dead hedging, removal of litter and inserting plants into the riverside? Event link.	Joanna Barton, Thames21, working with LWT 07827 352675 joanna.barton@thames21.org.uk
June 29 4pm-8pm	Meet by the Fray's River at Rockingham Parade, Uxbridge, UB8 2UW, by Fasnidge Park	Talk: Paddle Your Canoe with The Sharks Boat Club and Thames21. This joint event between two organisations associated with the river offers a taster session for the canoe club in half hourly slots, giving participants the chance to explore the river, while Thames21's project officer for the area, Paul Busby, offers insights into water wildlife locally and the work he has been carrying out as part of his projects on the River Pinn and Fray's River. Event link.	Paul Busby, Thames21 07554 402727 paul.busby@thames21.org.uk



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<p>June 29 7pm</p>	<p>Roots and Shoots, Walnut Tree Walk, Kennington, SE11 6DN</p>	<p>Talk and workshop: Rain Garden Masterclass: What makes a rain garden different to a pond? How can they help London adapt to climate change? And how are they linked to Lambeth's 'lost' River Effra? Find out in an evening with London Wildlife Trust, including the opportunity to make a mini rain garden to take home and put on your windowsill. All materials are provided and booking is essential. Event link.</p>	<p>Helen Spring, London Wildlife Trust 07971 315245 hspring@wildlondon.org.uk</p>
<p>June 29 5-7pm</p>	<p>City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA</p>	<p>Panel talk and discussion: Why restore rivers? An evening for developers and construction project professionals to hear about the benefits, drivers and good practice for river restoration across London, from experts covering flooding, regeneration and planning/policy. Event link</p>	<p>Lead organiser Dave Webb, Environment Agency 0208 4746674 David.webb@environment-agency.gov.uk</p>
<p>June 30 10.30am- 12.30pm</p>	<p>Meet: Earlsfield Rail Station SW18 4SR</p>	<p>Wandle Mills Walk: Join Katie Russell of the Building Exploratory for a walk of approximately 1.6 to 2 miles along the River Wandle from Earlsfield Station to the Thames at Wandsworth Town Centre. The walk is part of our Mapping the Mills project exploring the river's industrial heritage. Booking required, via email. Event link.</p>	<p>Katie Russell, the Building Exploratory 020 7608 0775. katie@buildingexploratory.org.uk</p>
<p>July 1 10am-1.30pm</p>	<p>The Shot Tower, Crane Park Island, Whitton, London, TW2 6AA</p>	<p>Walk and Talk: River Crane Restoration. Join Tom White to find out how the River Crane has been improved for wildlife. A talk at the Shot Tower about the projects is followed by a 3 mile walk upstream touring improved sites - Crane Park Island, Pevensey Road, Causeway Open Space and Crane Meadows. Learn about a range of river restoration techniques including riparian habitat enhancements, backwater creation and meander connections. Walk ends at Hatton Cross station, convenient for trains and buses. Event link</p>	<p>Tom White, Conservation Officer, London Wildlife Trust 07971 077095 twhite@wildlondon.org.uk</p>
<p>July 1 10am-1.30pm</p>	<p>Bulls Bridge, Hounslow, UB2 5LN</p>	<p>Walk: River Crane, from source to Thames. This 7km walk along the River Crane will take in Cranford Park and skirt Heathrow Airport before travelling through Donkey Woods, Brazil Mill Woods and Pevensey Nature Reserve. The route follows the river throughout, revealing a remarkable environmental and historically interesting landscape corridor through urban west London. Event link.</p>	<p>Jane Satchwell, Friends of River Crane Environment (FORCE) 07804 243463 jmsatchwell@outlook.com</p>



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July 1 10am-3pm	River Wandle. Meet Carshalton Train Station, SM5 2HT.	Guided Walk: Discover the Source of the Wandle. Ever wondered where the Wandle water comes from? Join us on this guided walk to find out all about the source of the River Wandle, past, present and future! Starts at Carshalton Train Station and ends at South Croydon Station. Event link.	David Gill, South East Rivers Trust 07833 497599 david.gill@wandletrust.org
July 1 11am-3pm	Welsh Harp Community Hub, West Hendon, NW9 7DB	Walk and Talk: Discover Dazzling Dragon/Damselflies. Join the Water for Wildlife team to discover the delights of London's dazzling dragonflies and delightful damselflies. Event link	Jane Clarke, London Wildlife Trust 07837 576786 jclarke@wildlondon.org.uk
July 1 1.30-3.30pm	River Roding, Roding Lane South, Redbridge, Whitney Avenue, Ilford IG4 5PP	River Dipping: Ever wondered what creepy crawlies live in the river? Join Thames21 to discover what lives in the River Roding. Wellies recommended. Meet by the river near the entrance at Roding Lane South, opposite Whitney Avenue, IG4 5PP. Event link.	Emma Harrington, Thames21 07738 983 334 emma.harrington@thames21.org.uk
July 1 12-4pm	Tolworth Court Farm Moated Manor, Chessington, KT5 Parking at Kingston University Sports Field	Kingston Wildlife Day: Walks and talks: Join London Wildlife Trust, Environment Trust and Kingston University to learn about Kingston's Wildlife! A range of walks and talks include a slow worm walk, a dragonfly talk, a small mammals talk & a walk along the Hogsmill river. There will also be a barbecue in the barn. Event link.	Elliot Newton, Environment Trust. 07906402431 elliott.newton@environmenttrust.co.uk
July 2 10am-3pm	Ravensbury Park, Nearest gate entrance off Wandle Road, Merton, CR4	Ravensbury Park Work Day: Join the Friends of Ravensbury Park to help improve this local green space along the River Wandle. Tools and refreshments provided. Meet at the central bridge over the river at 10am. Wear clothes appropriate to the weather and sturdy footwear, not flipflops. Event link.	Lesley Sorrell, Friends of Ravensbury Park 07734 507 066 lesleysorrell@live.co.uk
July 2 10am to 2pm FULLY BOOKED	Walthamstow Wetlands, 2 Forest Rd, Walthamstow N17 9NH	Tales from the Riverbank: Guided tour of Walthamstow Wetlands with Steve Ayers. Guided walk of the Lea River and Coppermill Stream at the wetlands. Free tickets must be booked in advance, visit Event link.	Rachel Smith, London Wildlife Trust 07772 085 185 rsmith@wildlondon.org.uk
July 2 11am-2pm	Sydenham, Sainsbury's superstore, SE26 4PU	Walk: Tales from the Riverbank: Ravensbourne Catchment: A history of river restoration along three miles of the Ravensbourne Catchment, including the River Pool, and a discussion about the natural, social and industrial history of the catchment by partnership co-ordinator Lawrence Beale Collins. Starting at Sydenham on the River Pool, this meets the confluence joining the Ravensbourne and continues to the Deptford. Event link.	Lawrence Beale Collins, Thames21 07584 172209 lawrence.bealecollins@thames21.org.uk



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July 2 11am-2pm	Wharncliffe Viaduct, Hanwell, W7 3EJ. Nearest main road A4020/Uxbridge Road	Grand Brent Union Walk. Take a guided walk from Wharncliffe Viaduct, Hanwell, W7 to Thames Lock, Brentford along the Brent footpath/towpath. Led by Owen Thomas, experienced Thames21 volunteer. This is about a 3 mile walk. An optional litter pick will take place en route. Event link .	Owen Thomas, Thames21/Grand Brent Union 07595 288008 o.wenthomas@hotmail.com
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