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The Migration of Birds

Wednesday, 14th April 2021 at 10.30 on Zoom

Bryan Williams, our presenter, is a retired biologist and a member of Wokingham u3a where he now co-ordinates the Natural History Group and one of two Bird Watching Groups.



A swallow (above) collecting material for its nest after arriving from its ten thousand kilometer journey.

Pictured above Arctic Terns that may fly a 35,000 K round trip each

Every year millions of birds fly, often great distances, to sites where they build nests and bring up their young before returning to their winter feeding grounds. Often they will use the same nesting site year after year. Why do they go to such lengths with all the risks involved? How do they know when to fly and how to fly to their chosen destination when they may never have been there before? Modern biology does not yet have all the answers, but knowledge is constantly being gained. In his talk Bryan will explore how migration was first observed and how the study of it has developed as well as addressing these questions.

A Whitethroat, (right) weighing less than 10 grams, common here in Summer and migrating to sub-Saharan Africa each Autumn

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