

## Discussion Group - Can you help?

The SOC Clyde Branch committee is looking for a volunteer who could run our **Discussion Group**. The group was set up in 2023 but has not met recently. Would you be willing to take on the running and organisation of the group? Support will be provided.

The main aims of the discussion group are:

- to meet (mainly online) 4-6 times a year.
- to help create a mentoring scheme where more experienced ornithologists would share their knowledge and experience, to boost confidence and to support those less experienced.
- to promote surveying and better monitoring of birds in Clyde by supporting people to take part in surveys both national and local.
- to share experiences and techniques of survey work
- to advise the Clyde Branch committee on support it can offer to aid the promotion of both the group and its aims.

### Skills required:

- Organisational & communication skills
- Facilitation skills to encourage mentoring and surveying from within the group
- Friendly, welcoming and encouraging approach to running meetings and to members joining the group
- It would be useful if you have some experience of bird surveying

The Discussion Group had between 20-30 members in 2023 and many of those members are likely to rejoin and offer to help with mentoring. Details of meetings can be promoted via the existing WhatsApp group and the [www.birdsinclyde.scot](http://www.birdsinclyde.scot) website

Please contact [clydesocbranch@gmail.com](mailto:clydesocbranch@gmail.com) if you have any questions or are willing to put yourself forward for this rewarding volunteer role. If there is sufficient interest, the role could be shared.

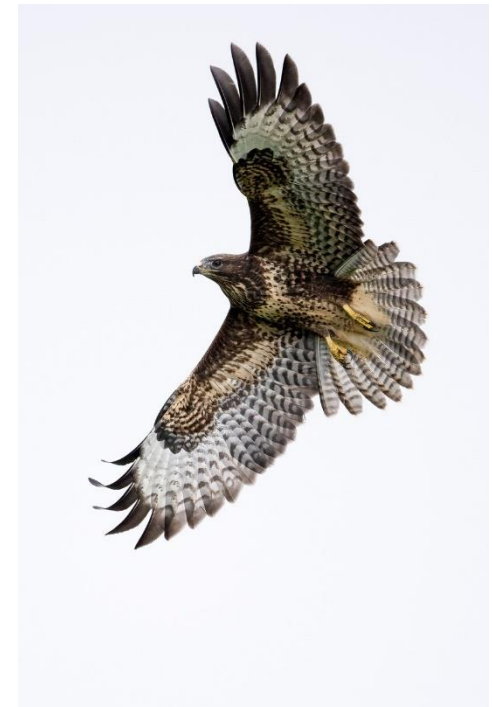


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