



Saving Wetlands for Wildlife and People

Established by the naturalist and painter Sir Peter Scott in 1946, The Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust (WWT) works to **Save Wetlands for Wildlife and People.**

WWT believes that:

- * wetlands play a vital role in the survival and quality of life of people globally
- * the continued destruction of wetlands threatens both people and wildlife
- * urgent action must be taken to conserve wetlands, and for this to be effective, it requires the consent and involvement of a wide range of people.

WWT is the only wildlife conservation charity specialising in wetlands and the wildlife they support. It has pioneered the bringing together of people and wildlife for the benefit of both. To this end, WWT operates eight Centres throughout the U.K. which welcome up to three-quarters of a million visitors each year and plans to extend its network at home and abroad. With over 70,000 members and a dedicated staff of over 200, WWT is well placed to take on the challenge of "saving wetlands for both wildlife and people".

Taking Sir Peter's vision forward

Sir Peter believed that the only long-term solution to the problems facing the natural world requires a well-informed and involved public. With this in mind WWT aims to:

- * raise awareness of the value of wetlands, the threats they face and the actions needed to save them
- * reverse the trend of wetland loss in the UK, and work with others to achieve this overseas
- * work for the maintenance of biodiversity in wetlands and advance the concept of sustainability
- * safeguard species of wetland wildlife, especially waterbirds, whose existence is threatened.

For further details on the work of WWT, membership and the 8 Centres throughout the UK, contact: WWT Slimbridge, Slimbridge, Glos GL2 7BT or Tel: (01453) 890333.

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