



Projektgruppen för Life Coast Benefit deltog i slutseminariet för MIA-projektet

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Programme

Wednesday 1th of October

9.30 Welcome

9.45 Presentations from the project

11.00 Coffee break

11.15 Presentation from the project cont.

12.00 Lunch

13.15 Presentations

14.15 Coffee break

14.00 Presentations continue

16.30 End of presentations

19.00 Dinner

Thursday 2th of October – Field day

08.00 Excursion to Hjälstaviken

Bus leaves for Haga ekbackar & Hjulsta ekhagar (opt.)

Ferry to Aggarön, lunch

Free time to explore

16.00 Ferry leaves for Västerås

19.00 Dinner

Friday 3th of October

08.30 Excursion to Strömsholm

11.30 Bus back to Västerås

12.30 Seminar ends

It was mainly people from other county boards who participated but also a group from a LIFE project in Estonia, individuals and representatives from companies that in some way has been affected by the project.

During the first day we were welcomed by the County Governor of Västmanland, Ingemar Skogö, and then the participants were informed of some of the measures undertaken in the project through presentations from the project partners.

In the afternoon we listened to Mats Niklasson who talked about veteranisation, Thomas Ranius (lichens and beetles associated with old oaks), Petter Haldén (the action plan for the Ortolan Bunting) and Gustav Johansson (responsible for the work with *Alisma wahlenbergii* in the project). The evening ended with a dinner at the castle in Vasteras, together with the governor.

Thursday was spent out in the field where we first visited Hjälstaviken and saw the actions made there. Here, among other things, wet meadows have been restored, forest edges cleared, veteranisation on broad leaved trees and a bird hide built. The journey then continued on towards Aggarön where we were guided by Björn Brage and got to see some of the measures done on the island, including clearing of the 9070 surfaces and construction of a wind shelter.

The last day of the seminar was spent outside in Strömsholm where we also had a visit from the local TV news (which can be seen [here](#) in Swedish). There were also some presentation by of the new LIFE projects beginning in 2015 and Elisabeth Gärdin from the Environmental Protection Agency held a nice presentation on how SEPA works with LIFE. Before the concluding luncheon we visited some of the areas where measures have been taken in the project.



Besök vid Hjälstaviken, 2a oktober