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PRESS RELEASE



**Chris Packham**  
**Never mind the Buzzards – here's the**  
**Really Wild Life**  
**8.00pm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

Chris Packham presents Never Mind The Buzzards at Aberystwyth Arts Centre on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 8pm.

Chris Packham is the popular presenter of Springwatch & Autumnwatch 2009, as well as The Really Wild Show, X-Creatures, Animal Zone, Nature's Calendar and Inside Out. His live show – Never Mind the Buzzards – is an informative and entertaining illustrated talk taking his audience on a romp through some of the most peculiar, amazing, disgusting or confounding aspects of the world's wildlife. Using his own superb photographs, Chris Packham relates his encounters with weird and wonderful creatures and their strange lives.

*Things you didn't know about wildlife – were too afraid to ask and probably wished you'd never learned!*

*Why do lizards sneeze?*

*Why do Glow-worms glow?*

*Why were dinosaurs so big?*

*What is a Mollymawk?*

*Did you know that there is only one truly blue bird?*

*Could you guess that the oldest living things on earth are still thriving just around your corner?*

But it's not all nonsense, for behind nature's most bizarre quirks there is always a good sound gem of biological reason and Chris uses his exceptional skills as a populariser of science to enjoyably explain why badgers are so sparing with their 'poo' and why it makes good sense for some birds to eat snot!

Birds, mammals, insects, reptiles, and plants are all examined and explained with Chris's usual pragmatic attitude, and dressed down to earth with his irreverent humour.

This is a family orientated event to suit all with a curiosity toward nature. Tickets are £14 (£12) and can be booked by contacting the Arts Centre ticket office on 01970 62 32 32 or online at [www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre](http://www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre)

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