

# Identifying and Recording Ireland's Biodiversity 2012

The Centre is pleased to offer a more extensive workshop programme and variety of locations for 2012 to assist capacity building for biodiversity. The Centre would like to express its appreciation to partners who have kindly agreed to co-host events: Dublin City Council, Irish Peatland Conservation Council, Meath County Council, National Parks & Wildlife Service, NUI Galway, South Tipperary County Council, Trinity College Dublin, University College Dublin, Wicklow County Council, Wexford Wildfowl Reserve and Vincent Hyland. Thanks also to the team of experts who have agreed to lead 2012 workshops.

## Other events

### BioBlitz 2012 **BioBlitz**

**18 & 19th May 2012**

BioBlitz 2012 will see four new sites pitted against one other – Glengarriff Nature Reserve, Co. Cork; Lough Boora Parkland, Co. Offaly; Phoenix Park, Co. Dublin and Crawfordsburn Country Park, Co. Down. Visit <http://bioblitz.biodiversityireland.ie/> for more information.

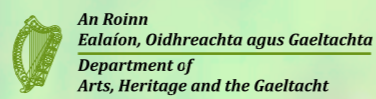
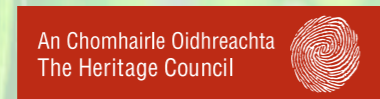
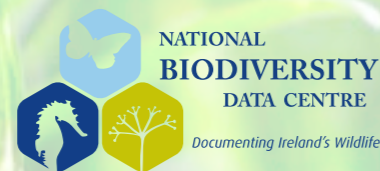
### 2012 Butterfly and Bumblebee field meeting

**23rd and 24th of June, 2012**

A fun-filled weekend in the midlands is planned for butterfly and bumblebee monitoring scheme volunteers in June. The location will be Banagher, Co Offaly which is home to some of Ireland's rarest bumblebees and butterflies.

The weekend schedule will include expert-led walks, a hunt for Ireland's rarest species, talks, an evening meal and a table quiz. Visit:

<http://butterflies.biodiversityireland.ie/home/events2/> for more information.

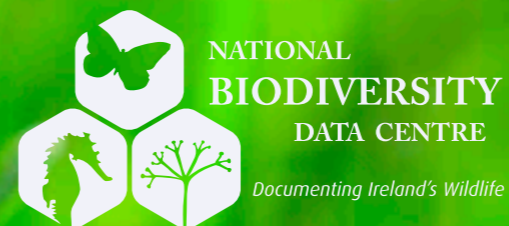


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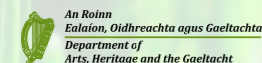
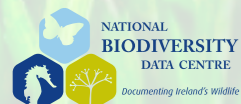
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Workshop programme



Title	Leader	Date	Venue	Time	Fee	Objective	Target Audience
Introduction to waders (in conjunction with Dublin City Council)	Breffni Martin	10 February 2012	North Bull Island, Dublin 3	10.30am – 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide a general introduction to waders	Beginners and intermediates
Seaweed diversity explained: how to identify it and what to do with it (in conjunction with NUI Galway)	Dr Dagmar Stengel (NUI Galway)	25 February 2012	NUI Galway	10am – 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide a general introduction to seaweeds	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to insects	Dr Stephen McCormack	10 March 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To provide training on the identification of Irish insects so that records can be contributed to national recording schemes	Beginners
Introduction to solitary bees	Dr Úna Fitzpatrick (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	31 March 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€20 (includes lunch)	To provide training on the identification of selected solitary bee species to assist conservation initiatives	Beginners and intermediates
Identifying Irish butterflies	Dr Eugenie Regan (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	14 April 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€20 (includes lunch)	To provide training on the identification and recording of Irish butterflies so that records can be contributed to national recording schemes	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to lichen identification	Paul Whelan (www.lichens.ie)	28 April 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To provide a general introduction to lichen identification	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to bird song identification	Dr Liam Lysaght (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	05 May 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	7am – 11am	n/a	To provide a general introduction to Irish bird song identification	All
Introduction to wildlife photography	Kevin Murphy (www.irishwildlifephotography.com)	12 May 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To raise awareness of Irish wildlife through the medium of photography	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to identifying vascular plants	Dr Roger Goodwillie	02 June 2012	Lavistown House, Kilkenny	10am – 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To provide an introduction to vascular plants	Beginners and intermediates
Identifying Irish dragonflies and damselflies (in conjunction with National Parks & Wildlife Service)	Drs Brian Nelson (National Parks & Wildlife Service) & Eugenie Regan (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	09 June 2012	Clara Bog Visitor Centre, Co Offaly	10am – 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide training on the identification of Irish dragonflies and damselflies so that records can be contributed to Dragonfly Ireland	Beginners and intermediates
Moth identification for beginners	Eamonn O'Donnell	16 June 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am – 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To provide an introduction to moth identification	Beginners
Identification of grasses (in conjunction with Wexford Wildfowl Reserve)	Paul Green	30 June 2012	Wexford Wildfowl Reserve	10am – 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide an introduction to grass identification	Intermediates
Recording of priority invasive species (in conjunction with Tipperary County Council)	Colette O'Flynn (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	17 July 2012	The Museum, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To raise awareness of invasive species and to contribute to the Invasive Species Survey	Beginners and intermediates
Recording of priority invasive species (in conjunction with Meath County Council)	Colette O'Flynn (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	19 July 2012	Columbans Dalgan Park, Navan, Co. Meath	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To raise awareness of invasive species and to contribute to the Invasive Species Survey	Beginners and intermediates
Recording of priority invasive species (in conjunction with Wicklow County Council)	Colette O'Flynn (National Biodiversity Data Centre)	21 July 2012	Bray Recycling Centre Offices, Bray, Co Wicklow	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To raise awareness of invasive species and to contribute to the Invasive Species Survey	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to wildflower identification (in conjunction with Dublin City Council)	Zoë Devlin	25 July 2012	North Bull Island, Dublin 3	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide an introduction to Irish wildflower identification so that records can be contributed to national recording schemes	Beginners and intermediates
Freshwater habitat assessment using waterbeetles	Dr Stephen McCormack	28 July 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am - 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	Training in the use of water beetles in freshwater habitat assessment	Intermediates
Syrphids and biodiversity management, workshop1: getting to know hoverflies	Dr Martin Speight	11 August 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am - 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	Learning about Syrphids and their use in biodiversity management	Intermediates
Rockpool XPlorer - Animals of the shallows	Vincent Hyland (www.derrynane.ie)	18 August 2012	Derrynane National Historic Park, Kerry	10am - 3pm	€30 (includes lunch, and snorkelling equipment)	Beginners guide to rock pool animals	Beginners
Statistics behind recording schemes (in conjunction with Trinity College Dublin)	Dr Jane Stout (Trinity College Dublin)	08 September 2012	Trinity College Dublin	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide an introduction to statistics behind recording schemes	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to sphagnum identification (in conjunction with IPCC)	Dr Catherine O'Connell (Irish Peatland Conservation Council)	13 September 2012	Irish Peatland Conservation Council, Lullymore, Co Kildare	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To increase the knowledge of raised bog sphagnum species	Beginners and intermediates
Introduction to diatoms	Leszek Wolnik	22 September 2012	University College Dublin	10am - 4pm	€20 (lunch not provided)	To provide an introduction to diatoms	Beginners
Introduction to fungal identification	Dr Tom Harrington (University of Limerick)	13 October 2012	National Biodiversity Data Centre, Waterford	10am - 4pm	€25 (includes lunch)	To provide an introduction to fungal identification so that records can be contributed to national recording schemes	Beginners and intermediates



## Bookings:

Places are limited so advance booking and payment is essential. For further information please contact Maria Walsh, National Biodiversity Data Centre, WIT West Campus, Carriganore, Waterford. Tel: 051 306 240 or email: [info@biodiversityireland.ie](mailto:info@biodiversityireland.ie)