



Species Identification Training Workshops 2016

The aim of these workshops is to stimulate recording interest and generate biological records. Help improve our knowledge of local species and habitats by learning how to identify species with local experts, and then submitting your records to SEWBRc. These events are **free** but **booking is essential** as spaces are limited. Please complete the attached form, and return it to SEWBRc (details below) by **Friday 24th June 2016**.



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Coal Spoil Biodiversity

Date: Thursday 21st July 2016, 10am - 3.30pm

Available places: 10

Location: Dare Valley Country Park

Trainers: Liam Olds & Richard Wistow (RCTCBC)

Level: Beginner

Come and join us at Dare Valley with Coal Spoil biodiversity experts Liam Olds and Richard Wistow, and learn about this varied and unique habitat found throughout the Welsh valleys. The course will be both field and classroom based, and include guidance on identifying some of the fascinating species found in this habitat.



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Umbellifers (Apiaceae)

Date: Wednesday 27th July 2016, 10am - 4pm

Available places: 10

Location: Gwent Levels (several locations TBC)

Trainers: Steph Tyler & Elsa Wood (VC35 Recorders - Plants)

Level: Beginner

Umbellifers are often regarded as a tricky plant family to master. Join experienced plant recorders Steph and Elsa and learn how to separate the different species. The day will spent entirely in the field, and may involve travelling to multiple locations.



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Introduction to Leafhoppers, Planthoppers and Spittlebugs

Date: Saturday 3rd September 2016, 10am - 4pm

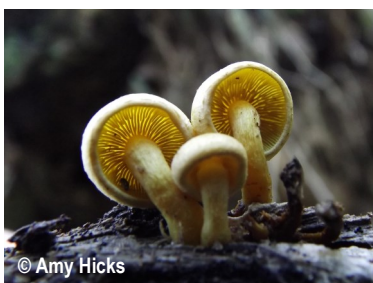
Available places: 10

Location: National Museum Wales [NMW], Cardiff

Trainer: Dr Mike Wilson (NMW)

Level: Beginner

Join Hemiptera expert Mike Wilson to learn about the ecology and identification of hoppers. The day will involve studying the NMW's collection using microscopes, plus an example of genitalia dissection. *Ongoing identification of this group will require the collection of specimens; please only apply if you are comfortable with this.*



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Fungi: Getting Started with a Microscope

Date: Sunday 11th September 2016, 10am - 3pm

Available places: 8

Location: Glamorgan venue TBC

Trainer: Mike Bright (Glamorgan Fungus Group)

Level: Beginner

Come and join us to learn everything you need to know to get started with fungal microscopy! This course will be classroom based and Mike will cover topics such as preparing slides, using stains and reagents, what microscopic features to look for and how to measure spores.

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