



Damselfly and Dragonfly Identification and Survey

Tuesday 24th June – Boat of Garten Community hall

Have you ever wanted to know more about the damselflies and dragonflies that can be found in your local area? Then come along to our workshops to learn more about these fascinating creatures. The workshops are designed to enable people to recognise the 13 damselfly and dragonfly species found in the Cairngorms National Park and identify the types of habitats preferred by each animal. Participants will also learn about habitat assessment and the life cycle of damselflies and dragonflies including the identification of larvae and exuviae. The training will include survey and recording methodology, health and safety, and highlight the National Dragonfly Atlas being co-ordinated by the British Dragonfly Society.

Programme

- 1000 Coffee and Registration**
- 1015-1230 Indoor session covering: -**
- Introduction to the world of damselflies and dragonflies**
 - Adult identification and life cycle**
 - Larvae identification**
 - Recording, habitat needs, health and safety and National Atlas**
- 1215-1300 Lunch (bring own packed lunch, as lunch will be outdoors heading to the field)**
- 1300-1630 Survey field session**

The course will be delivered by Stephen Corcoran (an experienced Odonatanist). The course is aimed at people living or working in the Cairngorms National Park. There is a small charge of £5, which includes a copy of the FCS Identification chart on dragonflies. The afternoon session will involve an outdoor site visit, so please wear appropriate footwear and waterproofs – wellington boots are advised. If you have a net, colander, binoculars, and hand lense please bring these along. Places on the workshop are limited and advance booking is required.

To book, contact Kate or Sam, tel 01479 870535/537 or email katechristie@cairngorms.co.uk or sammasson@cairngorms.co.uk

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