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CBDC would like to say Thank You to everyone who submitted records in 2019 and we wish you all a happy Christmas and a great recording year 2020.



Dear Recorder,

As the Festive Season arrives the recording season for 2019 draws to a close. There have been many highlights and interesting species recorded during 2019. Stuart our Recording Officer will be revealing all in his Annual Roundup at the next Recorder's conference in February.

Many of you asked us "why has the conference moved?" First, it will be easier to report about this years' finds and secondly, Stuart needed time in the Autumn to write reports for the landowners who hosted our Summer recording days. The income generated from these reports will help us to continue our support to Cumbria's recorders.

Thank you.

Debs, CBDC Manager



Recorders' Conference 2020

– 29th February, 10:00am - 4:00pm, Tullie House

Presentations include:

'Recording Recovery - Biological Recording for a Wilder Future' from Steve Garland, Chair of The Wildlife Trusts England Committee; Get Cumbria Buzzing; Interesting Cumbrian Fungi; Plantlife's LOST Legacy; reports from local recorders; a practical demonstration of photographing small invertebrates in the field using a digital microscope; and the release of the new Cumbria Dragonfly Atlas 2020.

Book now on Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cumbria-recorders-conference-tickets-85766567111?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Call for conference posters:

If you have been working on a project – large or small why not make a poster? CBDC can help with printing and design.

Contact Stuart or Deb:

<https://www.cbdc.org.uk/about-us/meet-the-team/>



Dragonfly Atlas 2020

– Coming Soon

David Clarke will be launching the Cumbria Dragonfly Atlas 2020 at the Recorders' Conference. David has been working with Moustafa, CBDC's Data Officer, to create an interactive map linked to the Atlas data.



Morning walk at Lanercost

– 28th January 2020

Join CBDC staff and volunteers for a gentle stroll around Lanercost finishing with a hot drink at the Lanecost tea rooms. (Sorry - CBDC finances won't stretch to a lunch.) Meet at 10:00am in the Tea Rooms carpark. We need to let the Tea Rooms know how many people will be parking and having refreshments. So booking is essential.

To register, please see the following page:

https://www.cbdc.org.uk/booking_form-lanercost-volunteers-walk/

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What's That Flower?

– 11 April 2020, 10:00am - 4:00pm, Tullie House Museum

Join Stuart Colgate CBDC's recording officer and experienced botanist to learn how to identify British wildflowers.

The morning session will be indoors and will focus on plant structure and the characteristics to study when identifying flowers. We will be using fresh specimens and items from the Tullie House Museum Collections. The afternoon session will be outdoors (weather permitting) where we explore the local area and identify the plants that we see.

Fees £45 (40 for students, Tullie House members).

Tickets available by contacting Tullie House Booking Office...

IN PERSON

From the museum's reception desk during normal opening hours.

BY PHONE

For credit/debit card bookings, call the Tullie House box office on 01228 618700.
Open Monday to Saturday 10am to 5pm, Sunday 12pm to 5pm.

ONLINE

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/whats-that-flower-tickets-85090699573>

(Please note there is an additional online booking fee).



Recording congratulations to...

- Gail Armstrong –who was awarded Bat Conservation Trust's Pete Guest award 2019 in August for her outstanding contribution to bat conservation in Cumbria.
- Orin Thomas- who was nominated for NBN Young Person's Award for his Bioblitz at NT Footprint in July.



Thank you and goodbye to...

- Simon Jackson Curator, who left the museum for pastures new in November. He will be remembered every time we look at the Whale in the museum.
- Daisy Scott-Bennett, the Tullie House/CBDC student placement. Daisy has returned to University of Cumbria to finish her dissertation, "Colour Coding red squirrel fur and potential conservation applications."

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