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Date to be confirmed – November Pooling our Ponds – SuDS Pond Management Day Blairgowrie, Perthshire Joint PKC Conservation Volunteers and TayARG event – another chance to get our hands dirty: everyone welcome. Queries to taysideamphibians@yahoo.co.uk

Date to be confirmed – December

#### **TayARG Volunteers Christmas Get-together**

Please join us for a meal and drinks in Perth to chat about what we've achieved in 2016 and discuss plans for2017. Contact Catherine Lloyd – cath.lloyd@btinternet.com

#### SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR TayARG!

Membership of TayARG is still currently free of charge, but we would like to acknowledge everyone's input. We now have a choice of clothing with our logo. Available in either forest or bottle green, the costs below include postage and packing:

- T-Shirt with embroidered logo £12.50
- Sweater with embroidered logo £17.50
- Regatta Quarter-zip fleece with embroidered logo £25
- Craghopper Half-zip fleece with embroidered logo £30

To order - please contact Catherine Lloyd at <u>caglloyd@pkc.gov.uk</u>.

What have we missed? Let us know what events you would like us to run: taysideamphibians@yahoo.co.uk



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# **Programme of Events 2016**



TayARG

Volunteers are always welcome – We need help with gullypot checks, pond clearance tasks, setting up exhibitions, etc.

If you would like to get involved, please contact taysideamphibians@yahoo.co.uk

Keep in touch via Facebook or Website <u>https://www.facebook.com/TaysideAmphibiansReptileGroup</u> <u>http://groups.arguk.org/fah/</u> <u>www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk</u>

# Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January

#### Amphibians in Drains Training Session, North Inch Campus, Perth

A New Year Gathering – refreshments and sandwich lunch provided. We need your help to make up ladder kits for new gullypots – and volunteers to check gullypots. Trevor Rose, Friends of Angus Herpetofauna, will update us on the exciting work going on in Tayside and Daniele Muir will explain how volunteers can get involved. Everyone welcome. Free event, but pre-booking essential. Contact Daniele Muir – taysideamphibians@yahoo.co.uk

## Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> February

#### **International Leap Frog Day**

Launch of our new **Toads on Tour exhibition** at a library near you – find out more about our projects, survey work, and opportunities to help. Can you suggest a venue in Tayside? Or can you help move the display boards and leaflets from one venue to another (mileage expenses paid)? Contact Catherine Lloyd – <u>cath.lloyd@btinternet.com</u>

#### Dates to be confirmed – March/April

## National Amphibian & Reptile Recording Scheme Training

The Friends of Angus Herpetofauna may run 2016 training – enquire via <u>secretary@thebhs.org</u>; Tel. 07778 830192

Various Dates to be confirmed – April to June **Great Crested Newt Survey (tbc – 7.30pm to midnight)** Pitmedden Forest, by Abernethy, Perthshire Following the GCN training last year, there is now an opportunity to help with this year's survey. Beginners also welcome. Contact Catherine Lloyd – cath.lloyd@btinternet.com

## Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> April

#### **Celebrate World Frog Day with us with some practical training! Gullypot Survey Training Workshop** - Elm Drive Community Campus, Blairgowrie – 10.30am to 1.30pm

A repeat of our 2013 event: everyone welcome. Refreshments and sandwich lunch provided. Presentation, discussion, Health & Safety/Risk Assessment outline - and gullypot survey practice out on Elm Drive.

#### Sunday, 8th May

#### **Annual Guided Reptile Walk**

Loch Lee, Glen Esk (Friends of Angus Herpetofauna). Everyone welcome. Book direct via <u>secretary@thebhs.org</u>; Tel. 07778 830192

## 21<sup>st</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> May

## Children's Art & Design Competition (Scottish Nature Festival)

To celebrate the International Day of Biodiversity (22<sup>nd</sup> May), we are launching a froggy art competition for children. The winners will see their designs printed as TayARG bookmarks and fabric banners. Full details will be available nearer the time via <u>www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk</u>.

## Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

## Froglife's Scottish Dragon Finder Family Day

11am onwards - Alyth Community Woodland, Alyth, Perthshire Learn how to net for amphibians and how to search for newt eggs. All species found will be recorded.

Check the Froglife Events page for further details: <u>www.froglife.org</u>

## Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July

#### British Dragonfly Larvae Identification

Crombie Country Park, Angus As well as learning about dragonflies we will be finding lots of amphibian life in Crombie's excellent wildlife ponds. Further details - contact <u>Scotland@british-dragonflies.org.uk</u>

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September

#### Dundee Food & Flower Festival, Camperdown

Please visit our exhibition and have a chat! We will be in the Woodlands4Yew marquee – Tayside Biodiversity Partnership/British Dragonfly Society/TayARG