

**Dundee Naturalists'  
Society  
150 years 1874–2024**



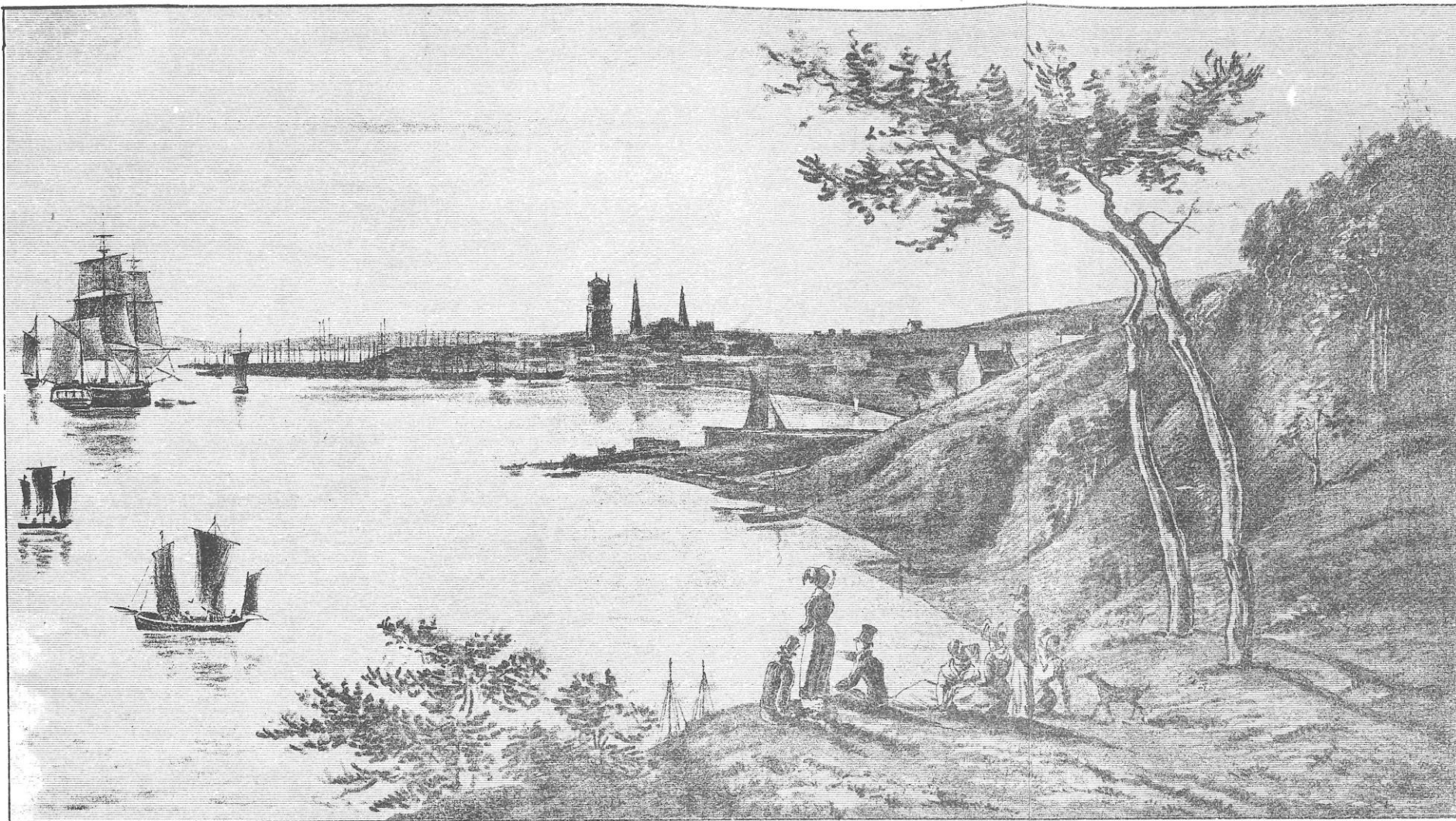
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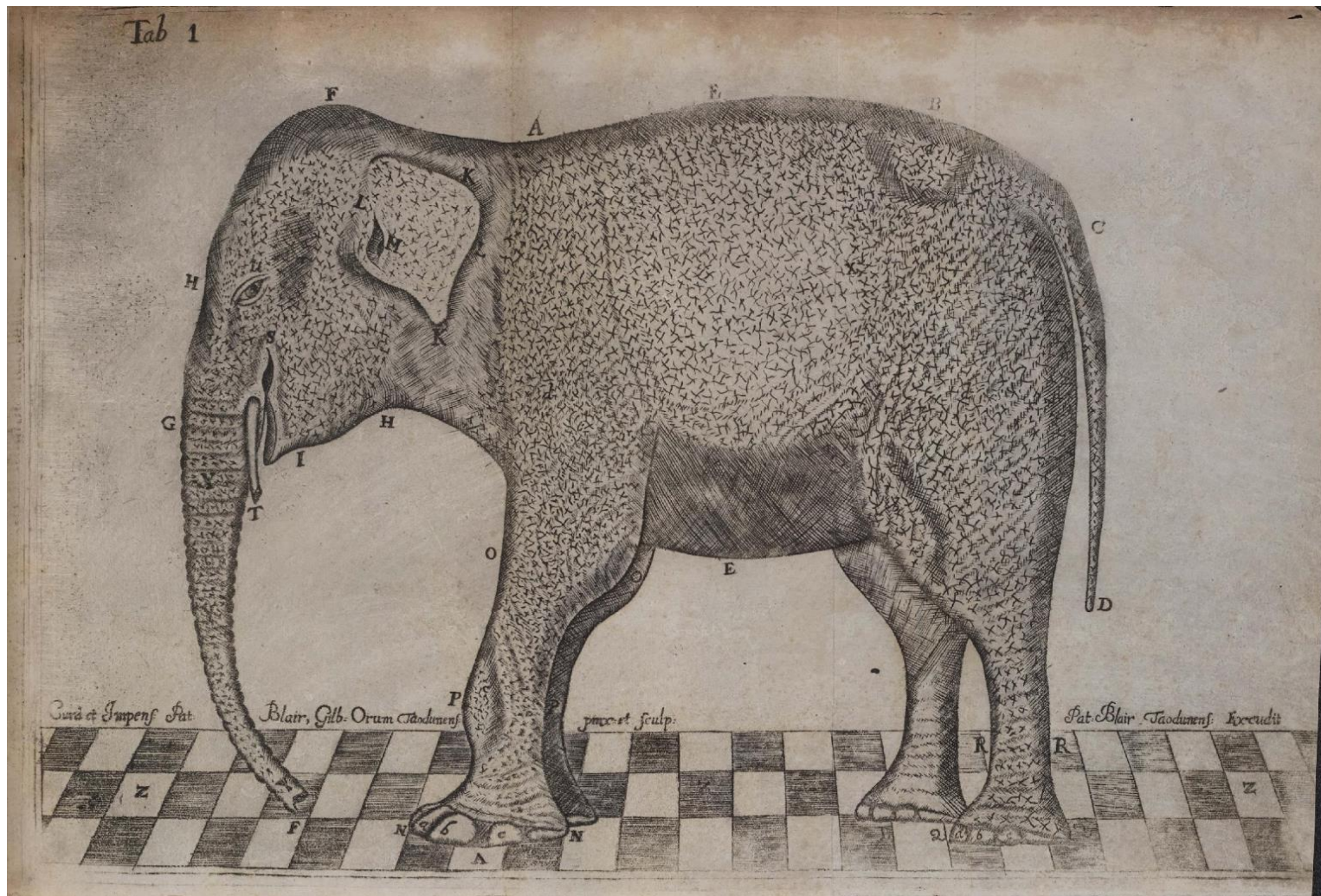








DUNDEE FROM THE STANNERGATE, 1822.



1708 – a world first?











The actual foundation date was 22nd January 1874

The 150th anniversary year began in January 2024 with a lecture on James Durham by Rob Duck

Durham was an early member and geologist

Lectured to DNS over 20 times between 1875 and 1902



Early recorded outing  
in 1875 to Norman's Law  
in north Fife



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Stuart Westwater  
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Complete account on display boards

## NORMAN'S LAW 1875 AND 1999

### PLANT NAMES – THEN AND NOW

*A selection of the common names mentioned in the 1875 account are compared with those in common use today. This helps to show the need for the scientific name. Common names change over the years, but also have local and regional variations, especially for common plants.*

1875	1999	Scientific
Blue cyanus	Cornflower	<i>Centaurea cyanus</i>
Meadow lychnis	Ragged robin	<i>Lychnis flos-cuculi</i>
Eagle brake	Bracken	<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>
Lotus major	Greater bird's-foot trefoil	<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>
Lotus minor	Bird's-foot trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>
Native campanula	Bluebell (harebell)	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>
Large scabious	Field scabious	<i>Knautia arvensis</i>
Yellow cistus	Rockrose	<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>



# 125th anniversary excursion, Norman's Law, Fife, 1999





2024 repeat  
for 150th  
anniversary







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Kirsty Noltie





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Dundee Botanic  
Garden events

monthly

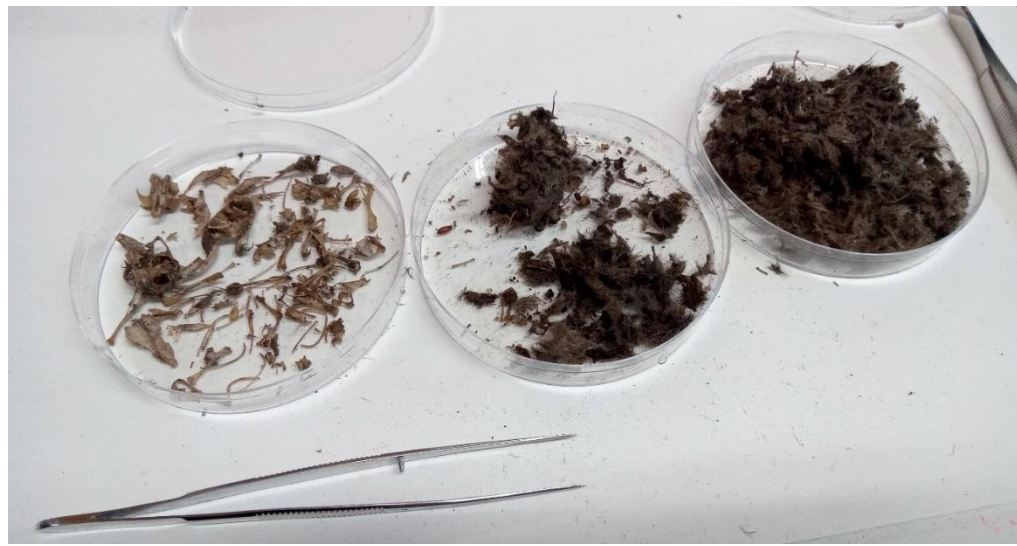








## March – Owl Pellets





## April – Lichens





## May – soil invertebrates





## June – Pond dipping









## July – Butterflies (!)







## Guardswell Farm market





# Narrow-bordered bee hawkmoth

Photo Steve Kydd





Regular activities have continued











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