

Freshwater Biological Association: Upcoming courses



Two day course:

Monday 12th February 2007 - Identifying freshwater invertebrates
(Intermediate)

Tuesday 13th February 2007 – Identifying caddisfly larvae and aquatic beetles
(Intermediate)

Location: Freshwater Biological Association (FBA), Dorset River Centre, East Stoke, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 6BB, U.K.

Cost: £120 for two day course (including lunch and refreshments).

Are you interested in natural history or recording biological information? If so, this course will give you the opportunity to learn more about freshwater invertebrates. The purpose of day one is to introduce freshwater invertebrates and how to record, sample and identify them. A variety of freshwater habitats will be sampled in order to collect a range of invertebrate groups. Day one will be led by Dr. Anne Powell of the FBA, a freshwater biologist of many years standing. Anne is an enthusiastic teacher and trainer of freshwater ecology and benthic invertebrate identification. Joining Anne on day one will be Dr. Mike Furse (author of the UK freshwater invertebrate checklist). Day one will conclude with introductory talks by Dr. Ian Wallace (National coordinator for Trichoptera Recording Scheme) and Prof. Garth Foster (National coordinator for Freshwater Coleoptera Recording Scheme) on caddis and beetles respectively. An optional pub meal will provide an opportunity for more informal discussion. Ian and Garth will lead the second day, which will focus on the collection and identification of caddis larvae and freshwater beetles, two groups which can be difficult to identify.

Two day weekend course:

Saturday 14th April 2007 - Identifying freshwater invertebrates – general introduction and lake sampling.

Sunday 15th April 2007 – Identifying freshwater invertebrates – tarn and stream sampling.

Location: Freshwater Biological Association (FBA), The Ferry Landing, Far Sawrey, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA220LP, UK.

Cost: TBC.

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