

## WILDLIFE WONDERS ON A HIGHLAND ESTATE DUNDONNELL BIODIVERSITY WEEKEND

## Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August

## **Dundonnell House**

LEARN SOME FIELD SKILLS - BIODIVERSITY AND GEODIVERSITY WALKS CREATURES OF THE NIGHT.

**10:00 am Learn some field skills!** Sessions last around 3 hours. Choose from: **Higher plants** – learn how to study and record plants found in Wester Ross with **Duncan Donald** from the Botanical Society of the British Isles. **Lower plants** – come and find out about lichens, mosses, liverworts and fungi with **David Genney** from Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH). **Dragonflies** – come and search for dragons in the pools and help record what we find with **Jonathan Willet. River Life** – come and find out how fish surveys are carried out on the Dundonnell river with **Peter Cunningham** of the Wester Ross Fisheries Trust.

**10:30 am Biodiversity walks** – starting from near Dundonnell House - all walks approximately 2½ hours. **Lindsey Duncan**, Wester Ross Highland Council ranger Service – a nature walk for all the family with activities. Taking in lots of habitats including in the woods and by the river. **Juliet Robinson**, Red Squirrel Conservation Officer – a walk to look for red squirrels and their signs.

**2:00pm Learn some field skills!** Sessions last around 3 hours. Choose from:

**Lower plants** – come and find out about lichens, mosses, liverworts and fungi with **David Genney** from SNH. **Red Squirrels** – help us with a squirrel survey – a walk through survey where you can learn how to record squirrels and their signs with Juliet Robinson. **Woodland Insects** – come and see what we find in the woods – bees, wasps, ants, with SNH's **lain MacGowan**. **Wee beasties in the Dundonnell River** – find out how to survey for river insects with **Peter Cunningham**.

**2:30 pm Biodiversity/Geodiversity walks** – approximately 2½ hours. **Donald Fisher**, North West Highlands Geopark Geo-Ranger – a walk to look at all the amazing geology on the Dundonnell Estate. **Lindsey Duncan**, Wester Ross Highland Council ranger Service – a woodland walk for all ages to look at how trees are amazing!

**7:30 pm Creatures of the Night!** Come and look for bats and moths using bat detectors, moth traps and nets. Approximate finish 10:00 pm with **Anne Youngman** of the Bat Conservation Trust and **Sue Agnew** and **Meryl Carr** of SNH.

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Booking is recommended but not essential.