

Go wild in Monaghan - Free Events

Calendar of biodiversity events				
Date	What	Where	With	Details
9pm Wednesday 19 May	Bat Walk Learn about, hear and see bats using bat detectors.	Dartrey Forest, Rockcorry.	Bat Conservation Ireland. Tanagh Outdoor Education Centre	Meet at Tanagh Education Centre at 9pm. Free but pre-booking essential. 047 73722 heritage@monaghancoco.ie Wear suitable clothing. Bring torch.
11am Saturday 22 May	Bog fieldtrip Learn about bog plants and upland bird identification.	Bragan Bog, Eshbrack, Knockatallon.	Irish Peatland Conservation Council. Birdwatch Ireland (Monaghan branch).	Meet at penal cross car park on Bragan at 11am. Wear suitable clothing.
12 noon Sunday 23 May	Smooth Newt Survey training. Learn skills to become a volunteer newt recorder.	Ballybay Wetlands Centre.	Irish Wildlife Trust.	Free but pre-booking essential. news@iwt.ie 01 860 2839
8pm Wednesday 2 June	Bees, beekeeping and biodiversity.	Market House, Monaghan.	National Beekeepers Federation.	Keynote speaker is Philip McCabe. Information will be available on a beekeeping course on the night.

Biodiversity is life Biodiversity is your life

You are an integral part of nature; your fate is tightly linked with biodiversity, the huge variety of other animals and plants, the places they live and their surrounding environments, all over the world.

The United Nations proclaimed 2010 to be the International Year of Biodiversity, and people all over the world are working to safeguard this irreplaceable natural wealth and reduce biodiversity loss. This is vital for current and future human wellbeing. We need to do more. Now is the time to act.

Monaghan County Council has teamed up with a number of non-governmental organisations who work to promote the conservation and understanding of Ireland's biodiversity. These groups are membership based and rely heavily on the goodwill of volunteers to continue their good work. All the events listed are **free**, and will be highly enjoyable and informative. Please come along and learn more about Monaghan's rich biodiversity.

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