



Butterfly Conservation Gloucestershire Branch 'Members' Day' and Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday 23 October 2020 by Zoom

A G E N D A

Branch AGM, 2 pm:

1. **Welcome**
 2. **Apologies for absence**
 3. **Minutes of the 2020 AGM** (Full minutes with officer reports will be available on the Download section of the Gloucestershire Branch website) These will be taken as read and only pre-received comments will be accepted at the meeting.
 4. **Matters arising from the 2020 AGM minutes.** These, again, will be taken as read and only pre-received comments will be accepted at the meeting.
 5. **Reports from Branch Officers** (All the reports will have been circulated by email prior to the meeting. They will also be made available on the Branch website in the Downloads section a few days before the 23rd October 2021)
 - 5.1 Chairman's Report – Sue Smith
 - 5.2 Treasurer's Report – Serena Meredith
 - 5.3 Membership Report – Sue Smith
 - 5.4 Butterfly Recorder's Report – Chris Wiltshire
 - 5.5 Moth Officer's Report – Steve French
 - 5.6 Back from the Brink/Cotswolds Landscape Officer Report – Jen Gilbert
 - 5.7 Sites Monitoring and the Wider Countryside Butterfly Survey – Trish Atkinson
 - 5.8 Bill Smyllie/The Masts Report – Trish Atkinson
 - 5.9 Rough Bank Report – Sue Smith
 - 5.10 Forest Conservation Officer's Report - Simon Glover
 6. **Election of Officers** – Three officers from the existing committee can be re-elected. They are Peter Hugo, Simon Glover and Ruth Wollen. They have all agreed to remain on the committee and are happy to be re-elected. There are three further people who have been co-opted by the existing committee to join us and we ask the AGM to approve their membership of the Branch Committee. They are Alan Sumnall, Christine Blythe and Rosie Woolley. This means that we have the maximum number on the committee. However, we always welcome others who may have something to contribute to do so as an Associate Member or as someone who doesn't actually want to be a committee member.
 7. **Any Other Business**
 8. **Date of next AGM: 29 October 2022 (to be confirmed near the time)**
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3.15 pm **BREAK** (The photographs from the photographic competition will be shown during the break)

3.30 pm **Announcement of Photographic Competition Winner**

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9. **Speaker: Zoe Randle**, Senior Surveys Officer, from Butterfly Conservation. Many of you will remember Zoe for all her work on the Moth Atlas which took up a tremendous amount of time but she is also involved in much more. Zoe's current role is to co-ordinate the National Moth Recording Scheme (NMRS) and the Butterflies for the New Millennium (BNM) project. She provides support and feedback to the moth and butterfly recording community. She also promotes moths, butterflies and the recording of these insects to the wider world. Zoe has a PhD and her research focussed on the role of *Myrmica* ants in Large Blue Butterfly habitats and the benefits to other rare species.

Prior to working for Butterfly Conservation Zoe was employed by the NERC Centre for Ecology and Hydrology in Dorset. She was involved in a variety of projects including studies of Oak Gall wasps and their parasitoids; Large Blue Butterflies and *Myrmica* ants, the Farm Scale Evaluations of Genetically Modified Crops and Countryside Survey 2000. Zoe also spent 6 months in the Caribbean educating school children about sea turtles and coral reefs.

11. Chance for questions from members (if possible put these in the 'chat' room of Zoom).

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12. 5.00 pm Close of meeting

Photographic Competition photos to be shown again.