

Dippy Nature Discovery Day Sunday 28 April; 11am-4pm

Join RSPB Scotland, Glasgow Museums, and a range of other partners to discover and record the amazing local wildlife and see how it has changed over time. There will be walks and talks and fun activities to take part in on the day. We will look back at how the area has changed over time, as we race against the clock to record all the wildlife we can.

The day will consist of:

Dippy:

The Diplodocus Dinosaur is in the centre hall of Kelvingrove till the 6th May so this will be his penultimate weekend in Kelvingrove.

Interactive Fungus Sculpture

Kew Gardens are supplying us with an exciting sculpture of a fungus that is 8m x 3m. This will be set up outside the museum for visitors to engage with.

Wildlife walks and activities

We will be looking to run lots of nature activities and walks for adults and families as part of the day but also to get as many biological records as we can. Our wildlife partners will run activities with the public to search for wildlife. Such as fungal foray, a bird walk (RSPB), a dead wood invertebrate search (TCV), and some pond dipping (FSC).

Biological Recording

This day will be part of a global competition to be the city to collect the most biological records as possible so all finds will be recorded. We are also hoping to get the public involved in this through all the above activities.

See the links for details.

<http://citynaturechallenge.org/>

<https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/city-nature-challenge-2019-glasgow>

Wildlife Stands

Wildlife charities and local organisations and groups who are interested in wildlife will be set-up in Gazebo's outside of Kelvingrove art Gallery and Museum opposite the fungus sculpture near the car park. These stands will have information about the organisation and an activity to engage with the public.

Fungus models and ID lab

In the Education Suites we will have an array of fabulous fungus sculptures where you can meet the experts and learn more about fungi. We will also have a microscopes and experts on invertebrates - and other groups - where you can take your finds for a closer look under the microscope.

There is a lot to get involved with and should be a very fun day.

Organisations involved are:

RSPB Scotland

Glasgow Museums

The Conservation Volunteers (TCV)

Clyde & Argyll Fungus Group

South East Scotland Fungus Group

Grow wild

Glasgow Natural History Society

Glasgow Rain Garden - Central Scotland Green Network Trust

Field Studies Council (FSC)

Hunterian Museum

National Museums of Scotland

Glasgow Botanic Gardens