

The 44th Robson Meeting 2012

Agenda

11:00 am, Tuesday 28th February

Session 1: <i>Crassula helmsii</i>		
Chairman: Jonathan Newman		
11:00	Jonathan Newman <i>Waterland Management Ltd</i>	Welcome and Introduction
11:10	Naomi Ewald <i>Pond Conservation</i>	The New Forest National Park, Hampshire
11:30	Rob Harrison <i>Ecus Ltd</i>	Review Of Common Treatment Methods
12:00	Richard Pearson <i>Weeding Tech</i>	Foamstream [®] - Hot Foam For Controlling <i>Crassula helmsii</i>
12.20	Sonal Varia <i>CABI - Europe</i>	The Potential for The Biological Control of <i>Crassula helmsii</i> In The UK
12:40	Trevor Renals <i>Environment Agency</i>	Reducing the risk of spread
13:00	Lunch	
Session 2: Key Note Speaker		
Chairman: Kevin Murphy		
2.00	Canal & River Trust <i>Roger Hanbury, The Waterways Trust</i>	
3:00	Joe Caffrey <i>Fisheries Ireland</i>	<i>Crassula helmsii</i> Control in the Grand Canal, Ireland: An Epic Task
3.20	Belinda Gallardo <i>University of Cambridge</i>	The dirty dozen - horizon scanning future freshwater invaders into Britain's freshwaters
3:40	Johan van Valkenburg <i>PPS, The Netherlands</i>	Interactive image-driven identification of non-native aquatic plants
4.00	Tea	
Session 3:		
Chairman: Glasgow University		
4.30	Pauline Lang <i>SEPA</i>	Periphyton communities in Scottish upland streams
4.50	Rebecca Taubert <i>Glasgow University</i>	Coastal wetlands: long term stability in saltmarsh plant communities
5.10	<i>Julissa Tapia Grimaldo</i> <i>Glasgow University</i>	Modelling geographical patterns in river macrophyte species richness: temperate and tropical case studies
5.30	Sara Varandas Martins <i>Glasgow University</i>	Human influence or natural variation? A decade of change in the macrophyte vegetation of a sub-tropical river
5:50	Mike Kennedy <i>University of Aberdeen</i>	Macrophyte-based techniques for monitoring Zambian rivers: developing the knowledge base
6.10	Meeting closes	
7.00 for 8.00 CONFERENCE DINNER		

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09:00 Wednesday 29th February

Session 4:		
Chairman:		
9:00	Claire McLaughlan <i>Cambridge University</i>	Biofilters for the improvement of reservoir water quality and biodiversity
09:20	Jennifer Dodd <i>Cambridge University</i>	Potential impacts of <i>Dikerogammarus villosus</i> in UK freshwaters
09:40	Isabel Bishop <i>UCL</i>	Managing the secondary spread of aquatic invasive plants
10:00	Corin Pratt <i>CABI Europe UK</i>	Biological control of <i>Azolla</i>
10:20	Moshe Agami <i>Tel Aviv University</i>	Synergism between <i>Eichhornia crassipes</i> (Mart.) Solms and <i>Hydrocotyle umbellata</i> L. in outdoor ponds
11:10	Coffee	
Session 5:		
Chairman:		
11:10	Sylvia Haslam <i>Cambridge University</i>	The plant is always right (Dr Watt's Motto)?
11:30	Rebecca Corrie-Close <i>CFINNSI</i>	The Cumbria Biosecurity Plan
11:50	Fiona Bowles <i>Wessex Water</i>	The effects of phosphorus on 2 lowland reservoir communities: potential management techniques to maintain water quality and trials on the effects of ultrasound, fish removal and barley straw.
12:10	Amael Paillex <i>Cambridge University</i>	Floodplain restoration encourages alien invaders and predictably transforms native biodiversity
12:30	John Colton <i>Kingcombe Aquacare</i>	25 years of Aquatic Weed Control
12:50	<i>Paul Beckwith</i>	Ask A Stupid Question: (How Local Authorities answer)
13:10	Jonathan Newman <i>Waterland Management Ltd,</i>	What's wrong with herbicides? Followed by The Barrett Memorial Student Prize Awards
13:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 15:30	Dr Keith Vincent <i>Law Commission for England and Wales</i>	The Law Commission's review of the law for wildlife management in England and Wales
15:30	Tea and Close	