



The Conservation of UK Amphibians and Reptiles

One day Conference and Networking Event



Organised by the Amphibian and Reptile Groups
of the United Kingdom (Northern Regions)

Saturday, October 24th 2009

The Lecture Theatre, Leeds Art Gallery, The Headrow, Leeds City Centre, LSI 3AA

Coffee available from 9.45

First session chaired by David Orchard, Amphibian and Reptile Group of South Lancashire

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| 10.15 – 10.20 | Welcome and introduction. |
| 10.20 – 10.45 | Jim Foster: Opportunities for amphibian and reptile conservation in farmland. |
| 10.45 – 11.10 | Gordon Haycock: Introducing great crested newts to Lower Wharfedale
- conservation in action. |
| 11.10 – 11.35 | Pascale Nicolet: The Million Ponds Project - serious pond creation for herps! |
| 11.35 – 12.00 | Break for coffee |

Second session chaired by John Baker, ARG UK Support Officer

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| 12.00 – 12.25 | David Orchard: Learning from European experience - conservation of the fire-bellied toad. |
| 12.25 – 12.45 | Ian Bond: The alpine newt in northern England |
| 12.45 – 1.10 | Lee Brady: The value of herp recording - a Kent based perspective. |
| 1.10 – 2.10 | Lunch (included in registration fee) |

Final session chaired by Lee Brady, Kent Reptile and Amphibian Group

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| 2.10 – 2.35 | John Grundy: The Gibside grass snake recovery plan. |
| 2.35 – 3.00 | Howard Inns: The birth of the Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Trust. |
| 3.00 – 3.25 | John Baker: Pool frog update from Norfolk. |
| 3.25 – 3.50 | Paul Edgar: The future of natterjacks in Cumbria? |
| 3.50 - 4.00 | Final remarks and close |

The Conservation of UK Amphibians and Reptiles at Leeds Art Gallery on October 24th 2009

Conference Booking Form

I would like to attend the conference and networking event, "The Conservation of UK Amphibians and Reptiles" at Leeds Art Gallery on Saturday October 24th 2009. (Advance booking is essential.)

Name:

Address:

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E-mail address:

I enclose a cheque for £17.50 (or £12.50 concessionary rate*) to cover the cost of each person attending. Please make all cheques payable to the Amphibian and Reptile Group of South Lancashire and send all cheques to: Gordon Haycock, (chair of North, East and West Yorkshire ARG), C/o Thomson Ecology Ltd., 94-96 Pegholme, Wharfebank Business Centre, Ilkley Road, Otley, West Yorkshire, LS21 3JP.

I also include a donation of £..... to help ARG UK with its work to conserve reptiles and amphibians in the UK**. If your company would like to sponsor future events or publications, please contact David Orchard at argsl@btinternet.com.

If you have any specific dietary requirements, please specify.....

Once your cheque and booking form have been received you will be sent confirmation by e-mail.

Please Note: You will not be registered until your cheque and booking form have been received; we cannot reserve places without these. In the event of cancellations we will be unable to give refunds.

The last event was very popular so to avoid disappointment please book early!

* A concessionary rate of £12.50 is available for Amphibian and Reptile Group members or for those who are un-waged. If you would like to register as an ARG member, please state which group you are a member of.

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** ARG UK is a network of over 40 amphibian and reptile volunteer groups covering the UK, working to promote the conservation of our native amphibians and reptiles. This conference has been organised entirely by volunteers and many of the speakers are appearing on a voluntary basis. If you're able to support ARG UK with a donation, however small, your contribution will be put to good use.

For enquiries please contact Gordon Haycock gordon.haycock@thomsonecology.com

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