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1. CNHS Membership

CNHS. A chance to join Cambridge Natural History Society.

2. CNHS on the Web.

Jon Shanklin, CNHS. Some of the CNHS web pages and a history of the *Conversazione*.

3. Exploring the Coton Footpath.

Jon Shanklin, CNHS. The CNHS has been running walks along the Coton footpath to help beginners identify flowers and to catalogue the wildlife of the area.

4. The Yeast Cell at Increasing Magnifications

Henry Tribe, British Mycological Society. This exhibit demonstrates some interesting consequences of magnification.

5-6. Mycorrhiza - The partnership of Fungi and Roots

Henry Tribe, British Mycological Society. Fungi are intimate with roots of most plant species.

7. Paradise Local Nature Reserve, Cambridge

Christine Newell. Natural history of a small wildlife haven within Cambridge City.

8. Discover Science

Lynne Harrison, Institute of Continuing Education, University of Cambridge. Information describing the varied programme of science courses run by the University for the general public throughout the region.

Don't forget to sign the visitors' book as you leave

9-10. Celebrating their first 40 years preserving the local environment.

Louise Bacon, Cambridge Conservation Volunteers. A display depicting our regular work around Cambridge and the County on nature reserves and in the wider countryside. We are the longest-running conservation volunteer organisation in the country. Come and find out what we do.

11-12. Cambridge Greenbelt Project & Cambridge City Greenways Project.

Iain Webb. This display shows the valuable work these projects are continuing to do in and around the city. Free nest boxes available while stocks last.

13. Natural History Diaries.

Jon Shanklin, CNHS. Natural History diaries from the time of the Great War.

14. Collecting Cards

Jon Shanklin. A selection of cigarette and tea cards from the 30's and 60's.

15. Comets.

Jon Shanklin, British Astronomical Association. Comets are fascinating relics from the birth of the solar system.

16. Aspects of Natural History in Antarctica.

Jon Shanklin, British Antarctic Survey.

17-20. Stick Insects

Dorothy Floyd, Small-Life Supplies. Stick Insects, caterpillar kits, snail centres plus insect cages, books and posters for sale. You can also sign up for 'The Bug File' monthly magazine.

21. Wicken Fen National Nature Reserve

Bridget Carter, The National Trust. Recent developments at Wicken Fen National Nature Reserve.

- 22. Community involvement in the city's local nature reserves.**
Ellis Selway, Community Liaison Officer, Cambridge City Council. Find out how you can become involved in the management of Cambridge City's Local Nature Reserves. Information on the establishment of family groups.
- 23. Ten years of local environmental action.**
Sue Woodsford, Cambridge Environment Centre, Cambridge City Council.
- 24-25. The work of the Cambridgeshire Badger and Otter Group.**
Peter Pilbeam, Cambridgeshire Badger and Otter Group. Poster display and maps showing the work of the group, highlighting the effects of roads and housing developments on badgers, and showing the distribution of otters.
- 26. Nature in your Neighbourhood, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Biodiversity Partnership.**
Rachel Remnant, Nature in your Neighbourhood. A poster display illustrating the work and achievements of year one of a two year community-led project to put urban Biodiversity Action Plans into action.
- 27-30. A nature survey of Coe Fen by St Paul's School in 1965.**
Lorna & Max Walters. Lorna Walters taught at St Paul's School in the 1960's. Her class did this survey for a science fair. The exhibit was shown at Homerton College from 2-6 September, 1965. Worth repeating in 2005 to see 40 years of change at Coe Fen.
- 31. APU Wildlife Society**
Information about the natural history activities of students in a new CNHS student society.

- 32. Life Sciences at Anglia Polytechnic University**
Anglia Polytechnic University. Details of degrees in Life Sciences available at Anglia Polytechnic University.
- 33. Cones - deadly marine snails**
Philip Pugh, APU. Distribution and diversity of cone-snails.
- 34. Toys and the Micro-world**
Toby Carter and Philip Pugh, APU. Views of the microscopic world with an electronic toy.
- 35. Carnivorous plants and other bizarre adaptations in the plant world**
Clarke Brunt.
- 36. Cacti and succulent plants**
Paul Hoxey, British Cactus and Succulent Society. A display of cacti and succulent plants from the desert regions of the world.
- 37. Urban Foxes in Cambridge**
Toby Carter, APU. Sightings of Foxes in Cambridge City.
- 38. Bowerbirds**
Lucy Wilshaw. Examples of bowers from the amazing avian artists of Australia and New Guinea.
- 39. Nature in Cambridgeshire**
Jane Bulleid. Cambridgeshire's local natural history journal.
- 40. Wild Flowers on Magog Down**
Lucy Evans, Magog Trust. Samples and photographs of local species of the pea family found on Magog Down and local road verges.
- 41-42. Cambridgeshire Bats**
Chris Vine, Cambridgeshire Bat Group. Information about bats in Cambridgeshire.

43-44. Projects with Lichens.

Barbara Hilton, British Lichen Society. Find out about lichens and what they tell us about the environment, including air pollution, through projects on trees, in churchyards and other habitats.

45. Where is all the water going?

S M Haslam. Small brooks and streams are being lost at a depressing and shocking rate. This exhibit examines the reasons for the loss.

46-48. Madingley Toad Rescue Project

William Seale, Madingley Toad Rescue Project. A display of the work of the toad rescue project in the village of Madingley and an exhibit of live British amphibians.

49-52. Butterfly Conservation

Julia Napier. Posters about butterflies, food plants for butterfly larvae and emperor moth caterpillars.

53-54. Cambridgeshire Bird Club

Vicki Harley, Cambridgeshire Bird Club. Our club exists to promote the conservation of birds and their habitats in the country. The club holds regular indoor meetings on world-ranging bird related topics, publishes an annual report, bulletins six times a year and monitors/surveys birds in the county. Want to know more? Then log on to the Club Website - www.cambridgeshirebirdclub.org.uk

55-56. Bourn Brook Project

Sarah Paul, Cam Valley Forum. The results of a survey of pollarded willows along Bourn Brook from Bourn to Grantchester.

57. Sharks in Danger - save our sharks!

Patrick Doy, The Shark Trust. Details about the trust, its activities and how to get involved.

- 58. Cherry Hinton Badger Sett**
Patrick Doy, St John Ambulance Youth. Pictures of animals and the natural world by St John Ambulance Youth.
- 59-60. Birds of Prey and People**
Patrick Doy. A series of posters showing how changes in landscape affect birds of prey.
- 61-62. Plantlife**
Julia Napier. Posters and leaflets about 'Plantlife'.
- 63-64. Friends of the Rowan Road and Fleam Dyke**
Julia Napier. Information about the Activities of the Friends of the Rowan Road and Fleam Dyke.
- 65-67. Wildlife Sounds and their recording.**
William Seale, Wildlife Sound Recording Society. Examples of wildlife sounds and how to record them.
- 68-70. Insects etc.**
Roger Northfield, Department of Zoology. A selection of live insects.
- 71-74; Fascinating Fungi**
84-87. *Helene Davies, Melbourn Mushroom Club.* An exhibit of mounted photos, fresh fungal specimens and dried material.
- 75-83. Creatures Great and Small**
St Ivo Entomology and Natural History Society. Reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates of many kinds and mammals from around the world; a collection cared for by young people.
- 88. Farming fuel crops to reduce global warming.**
Richard Parr.

89-90. Wildlife Artist & Natural History Illustrator

Michael Wood, Wildlife Artist. Wildlife paintings and prints, including originals from the new Traveller's Nature Guide Series.

91. The Honeybee and Products from the Hive

John Witter, Cambridgeshire Beekeepers Association. Live honeybees in an observation hive, showing examples of comb building, beekeeping tools and products including hive products for sale.

92-93. Photomicrography

Fred Allen, Cambridge Exploratorium. An adaptation to a digital camera.

99. Origami Designs

Samuel Innes. Some original origami designs.

100. Darwin Correspondence Project

Shelley Innes. Four panels outlining the work of the project and highlighting the breadth and scientific importance of Darwin's correspondence - a selection of books.

The Zoology Museum

Come and visit us during the *Conversazione*. We are open all day Saturday.

..... plus last minute extras!

Homerton College: Year 1 Education Studies undergraduate research posters

Lucy Crane : The role of sex pheromones, released by callosobruchid beetles, in determining oviposition behaviour.

Elizabeth Dyer. The success of cypsis in reducing garden bird table predation rates.

Helen Eburah: A comparison of lichen biodiversity on limestone and sandstone substrates in the University Botanic Garden rockeries.

Tom Savill: An investigation into the allelopathic effects of ailanthone from the roots of Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*) roots.

Kate Wilson: An investigation into the influence of play on the learning ability of young mice.



Would you like to exhibit at next year's *Conversazione*? – If so, then please sign the visitors book and indicate that you would like details. Information about *Conversazione 2004* will be sent out by Christmas.

