



# The 2017 Summer School

## 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July 2017

### Dale Fort Field Studies Centre







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At the end of the day, a glass of wine/  
beer or tea and time to enjoy the  
sunset

10 amazing A-level students joined us from In2Science for the week, along with their mentor Phoebe Whitehead





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At 6.00am we headed down to the beach for an intertidal bioblitz and inter-mentor group competition



Out collecting samples for the  
entomology session with Simon  
Leather and Fran Sconce





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Back in the lab, Amy Smith was a little distressed when she fried Steve the ant



Dan Forman's workshop looked at mammal ecology, otter diets and dentition of mammals



## Tuesday

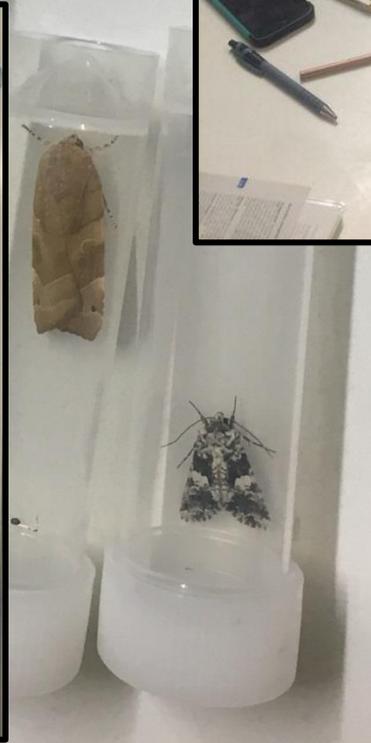
- 06:00-08:00 Rocky shore bioblitz
- 08:00-09:00 Breakfast + pack lunch
- 09:00-13:00 Entomology
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-17:00 Mammal ecology
- 17:00-18:00 Parasitology
- 18:00-19:00 Dinner
- 19:00-20:00 A guide to publishing
- 20:00-21:00 Policy
- 21:00-22:00 Pathways to PhD
- 22:25-23:45 Bat ecology



**A late night moth trapping session and  
UV invertebrate tracking was rewarded  
with an early morning moth ID session**



ingrailed clay <i>Aphelia unitana</i>	<u>Moths (Rock!)</u>	uncertain/rusticagg
Brick	common rustic	Heart and dart
large yellow underwing	lesser broad bordered yellow underwing	Heart and club
brimstone	Flame shoulder	Clouded Silver
marbled coronet	Swallow tail	Single dotted wave
Rosy footman	L. Magpie	Chinese character
Early thorn	Double square spot	Silver Y moth
Silky wainscott	Common footman	Marbled minor agg.
peppared moth	lesser yellow underwing	Spectacled moth
Riband wave	light arches	<i>Eudonia lacustrata</i>
Scalloped oak	Diamond back	Small fanfoot
Common carpet	Green pug	<i>Chysoteuchia culmella</i>





A day spent with CIEEM members looking at the breadth of careers available and the role of ecologists

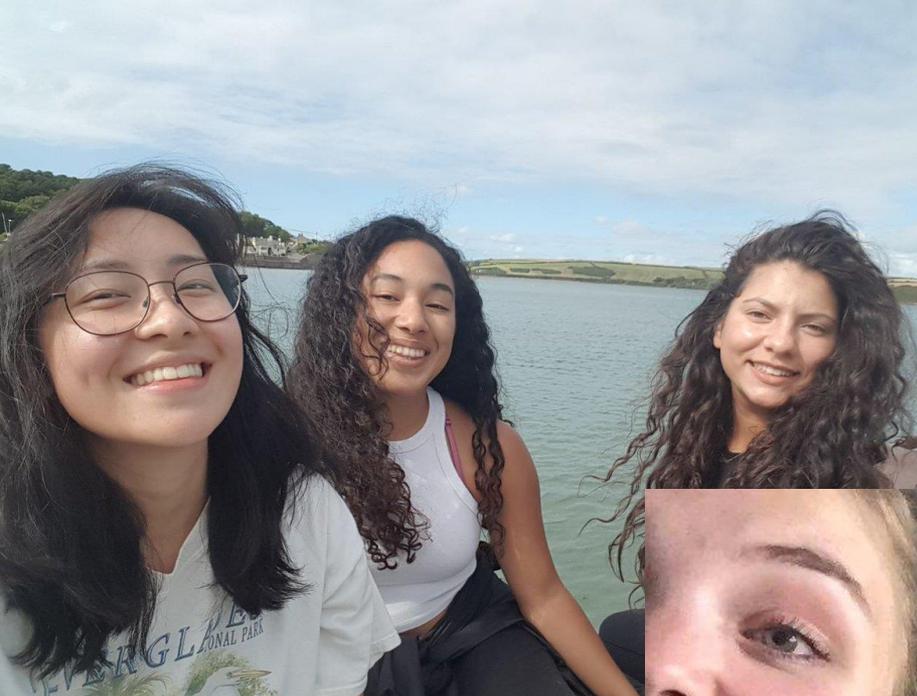






# A chance to explore plant soil interactions and the diversity of soil ecology





Making sure everyone had time to relax, reflect and make new friends



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Our wonderful PhD students, Kim Simpson, Paula Tierney, Simon Tarr, Catie Gutmann Roberts, Will Kay and Melanie Edgar



The 2017 Summer School: 49 Undergraduates, 6 PhD mentors, 10 A-level students and their mentor



A very big **Thankyou!** to

All our speakers and workshop leaders gave generously of their time, knowledge and expertise to support an excellent summer school programme

**Jane Memmott**  
**Simon Leather**  
**Fran Sconce**  
**Dan Forman**  
**Mark Ward**  
**Diana Clarke**  
**Penny Lewns**  
**Dave Lewns**  
**Anna Sutcliffe**  
**Paul Colyer**  
**Den Vaughan**  
**Stephanie Januchowski Hartley**  
**Fraser Januchowski Hartley**

Excellent lecturers were invited who radiated enthusiasm, and the mentors and BES Staff were just amazing. It could be 6am or 11pm, they were so lovely with all of us 24/7.

I got so much more help and information in just 5 days than I did 2 years at university which is no exaggeration.

I loved the Summer School and I was sad when it finished. I feel that it opened a whole new set of doors for me and changed my future possibilities for the better and also very hands on in my goal of developing a wider skill set. I felt incredibly privileged and proud to be the part of it.

Thank you again for all your hard work making it an epic week for all!

Student feedback