









VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MONITOR RIVER INSECTS

Workshop: 20th September 2023 – Shill Brook

A Free of charge training day for anyone interested in monitoring the health of their local river is being offered by the Cotswolds Rivers Trust in Partnership with the Windrush Catchment Partnership and Riverfly Partnership.

As well as giving attendees a fascinating insight into the insects in the river, it will enable people to identify if there are problems with the river.

The day will include short presentations and practical demonstrations by the river. Participants will receive a guide to the method and have a chance to try it out for themselves. Following training participants will be qualified to carry out river insect monitoring and will receive a set of monitoring equipment to take away with them.



The initiative comes from The Riverfly Partnership, an organisation which enables anglers and local communities to take action that will help conserve the river environment. This initiative provides a simple monitoring technique, which can be used to detect any severe problems in river water quality. For more details about the Riverfly Partnership www.riverflies.org.

This scheme, used alongside routine monitoring by the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales, will ensure that water quality is checked more widely and action taken at the earliest opportunity should any severe problems be detected.

The workshop will be held on 20th September 2023 and will run from 9.30am to 4pm. This workshop is free of charge and includes lunch. Contact <u>director@cotswoldsriverstrust.org</u> or call 07400 333616 for further details or to book a place.