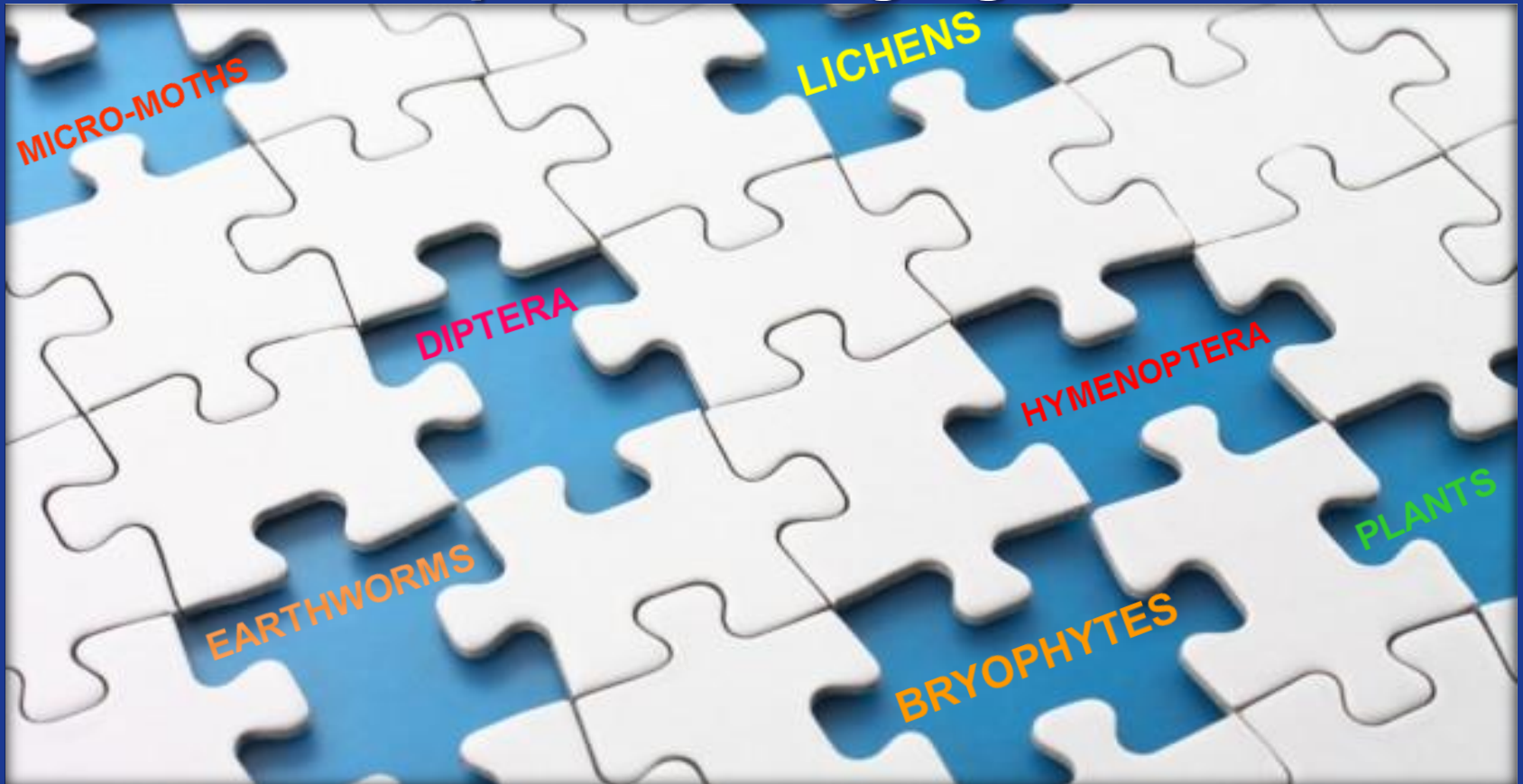


Mind The Gap! – Challenging taxa in focus



Krisztina Fekete – ID Trainers for the Future



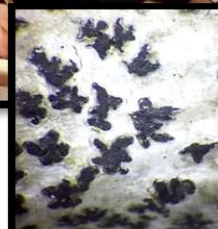
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Traineeship Program

1. Introduction to museum collections- safe collecting- handling and using of biological specimens
2. Identification workshops :
 - Flowering plants • Mosses, liverworts
 - Lichens
 - Freshwater invertebrates
 - Beetles
 - Moths • True flies
 - Bees, wasps and ants
 - Earthworms
3. Curation placements – 3 months
4. Public engagement - science communication



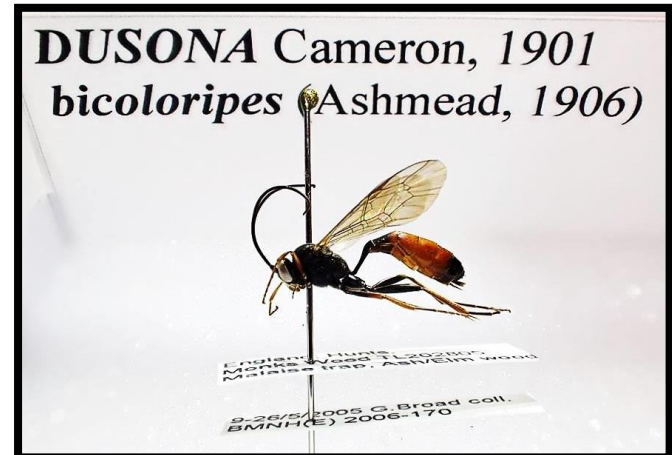
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The Traineeship and Biological Recording

How did the traineeship make us better recorders?

- Identification workshops
- Field work, collecting, preserving and handling specimens
- FSC course- Monitoring and Surveying for Conservation
- Using and handling of biodiversity data workshop (NBN)
- BioBlitz –es



My personal development as a biological recorder

Recording schemes I have so far contributed data for:

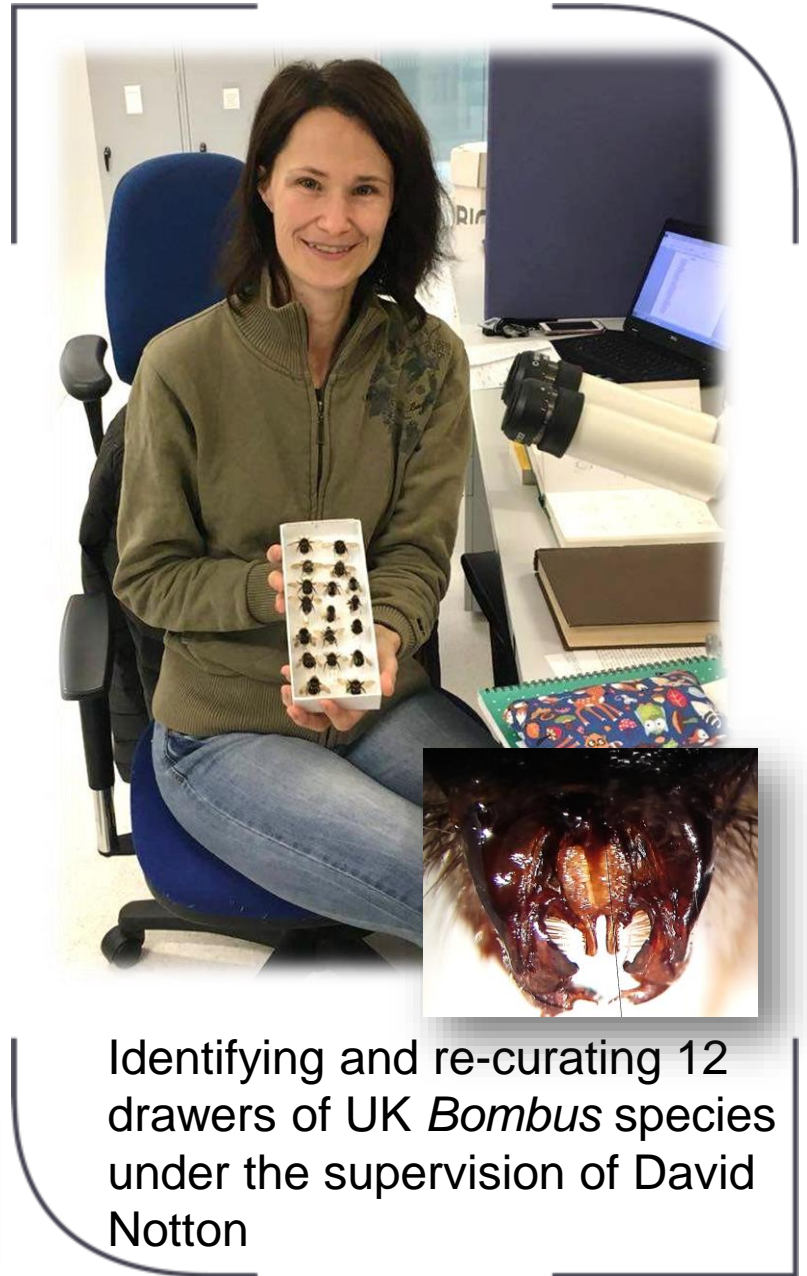
Big Butterfly Count –BC
Big Garden BirdWatch - RSPB

Bat Field Survey – NBMP
Bumblebee Walk –BBCT

BWARS Specific Bee sightings
Harvest Mouse Survey - SxBRC

Future plans and surveys:

Volunteer invertebrate and
plant surveyor for 2 Mid-
Sussex Nature Reserves



Identifying and re-curating 12
drawers of UK *Bombus* species
under the supervision of David
Notton

SUMMARY OF iRECORD DATA SHEET

Taxon Group	Number of Records	Number of Taxa
amphibian	5	4
bird	75	54
crustacean	1	1
flowering plant	130	118
fungus	6	6
harvestman (Opiliones)	2	2
horsetail	1	1
insect - beetle (Coleoptera)	44	32
insect - butterfly	44	22
insect - dragonfly (Odonata)	10	8
insect - hymenopteran	145	65
insect - lacewing (Neuroptera)	1	1
insect - moth	25	24
insect - orthopteran	5	4
insect - scorpion fly (Mecoptera)	3	2
insect - true bug (Hemiptera)	11	11
insect - true fly (Diptera)	82	59
lichen	7	7
liverwort	1	1
millipede	1	1
mollusc	5	4
moss	2	2
reptile	3	2
spider (Araneae)	15	9
terrestrial mammal	9	7

Thank you for your attention!



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