

# Highland Butterflies & Moths

21<sup>st</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010

Led by David Brown

Level: Open to all



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## **Kindrogan Field Studies Centre**

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## **Course outline:**

This course will consist of illustrated talks with colour slides to show the special species found in the Scottish Highlands, their unique habitats and ecology.

There will be daytime field visits to a variety of habitats to observe butterflies such as the Scotch Argus and Moths such as the Chevron and Northern Spinach.

Overnight mercury vapour lights will be running in the extensive wooded grounds at Kindrogan to attract a good range of highland speciality moths. It is hoped to see Cousin German , Plain Clay , Northern Deep Brown Dart and Large Ear .

Help and advice will be given on identification, ways of recording and classification.

## **Your tutor:**

David Brown is the Warwickshire county recorder for Lepidoptera and the author of 'The Larger Moths of Warwickshire'. He has led courses at FSC Centres over a number of years. A lecturer at Birmingham and Warwick Universities Extramural and Open Studies departments for the past 20 years, he is an active field entomologist

## **Equipment to bring with you:**

Wellingtons and/or waterproof walking boots (some are available at the centre at a small cost)

Waterproof clothing (some are available at the centre at a small cost)

Lunch Box, vacuum flask

Rucksack

Plenty of spare warm clothing

## **Booking Procedure**

To book a place on this course, please complete the booking form and send it together with a deposit of £50.00 (cheque payable to Field Studies Council). Provisional bookings should be made by telephone. Payment of the balance of the course fee will be 30 days before the beginning of the course. Cancellation after this date may leave the customer liable for the full amount – a condition which is accepted when the booking is confirmed. You are recommended to take out personal cancellation insurance to cover this eventuality.

## **Course Fees & What's Included**

**Resident** - £440 Sole Occupancy / £370 Shared Accommodation includes tuition, full board accommodation, transport to sites, use of library, from supper on 21st until after breakfast on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010

**Non – Residential** - £326 includes tuition packed lunches, evening meals and transport (in other words everything but bed and breakfast).

**Transport** – Any excursions during the trip will be made in either the Centre vehicles or private cars. The cost of this is included in the fee. For anyone who kindly uses their own vehicle for the course excursions will be reimbursed for petrol costs at a set rate.

**Times** – Resident and Non-resident visitors are requested to arrive at the centre before 7pm on 21<sup>st</sup> August and report to reception. Supper will be served at 7.30pm after which there will be an introductory talk about the centre. Breakfast is served at 8am. Tuition will end on the evening of the 27<sup>th</sup> with departure after breakfast on the 28<sup>th</sup> August.

**Weekend/Mid week Courses** – Courses that run from Friday to Sunday or mid week may finish late, so to accommodate this we maybe able to offer extra nights accommodation.