

Yorkshire Dales *Rivers Trust*

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YDRT: Monthly Update

Welcome to our June issue!

On 16th June, YDRT held a bioblitz on Arkle Beck, kindly hosted at Castle Farm, part of the Heggs-Castle cluster, for our Arkengarthdale NFM project. A huge thank you to all that joined us!

This month has also seen the return of our mobile Rivers 2 U classroom! Following current covid guidance, Catherine (our education officer) has been able to get out and about, engaging with a local school.

In addition - in July we are hosting an open day event and we'd love to see you there! See the relevant section below to sign up, there's even free food on arrival!

CURRENT YDRT VACANCY: PROJECT OFFICER



Arkengarthdale June BioBlitz Event

On the 16th June YDRT hosted a Bioblitz on the Arkle Beck as part of our Arkengarthdale NFM project.

The day formed part of a wider Bioblitz being carried out by the cluster of landowners that we are working with this year to deliver NFM in the catchment. YDRT staff and volunteers participated in three activities throughout the day to assess the wildlife and health of the beck.

The activities included invertebrate surveys, electrofishing and water chemistry testing. Results from the day will be used to establish a baseline dataset that can form the basis of work being carried out in the catchment to achieve the landholders aims to renature the landscape.

A big thank you to all the 16 volunteers who attended the Bioblitz event and got stuck in with all the activities throughout the day. It was great to see so many volunteers from a range of backgrounds.



Join the Team! Job Opportunity at YDRT

An exciting opportunity where you can really make a difference to the river environments of the Yorkshire Dales - we're recruiting for a project officer.

The successful candidate will work with farmers, contractors, partner organisations, volunteers and other Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust staff to deliver land management and river restoration projects which aim to ensure our rivers thrive.

You can find out more and apply via our website ydrt.org.uk or via [environmentjob](https://www.environmentjob.com)

Back On The Road: 'Rivers 2 U'

We were delighted to be back on the road with the Rivers2U mobile classroom in June, visiting Husthwaite CE Primary School, inspiring the next generation of river stewards and nature lovers!

With covid secure measures in place, we were able to have small groups in the van for a river table demonstration, and then spend a productive time searching through a stream sample, looking for invertebrates which the children helped to identify.



We had lots of freshwater shrimps, mayfly nymphs, cased caddis, beetle and fly larvae, which the children loved sorting through and viewing under the microscope!

Please contact Catherine to make a booking for the Rivers2U van to visit a school or event: education@ydrtr.co.uk



YDRT Open Day 2021: Join Us!

On Friday 16th July we're hosting a **FREE** open day event and we'd love to see you there! Places are limited so register today at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/159596458303 or you can also RSVP to 01423 798225.



COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

YDRT 2021 OPEN DAY

FRIDAY 16TH JULY | 13:00PM

On the Day:

- HECK SAUSAGE SANDWICHES
- PRACTICAL DEMOS
- PROJECT SITE TOUR
- GET HANDS ON WITH OUR RIVERS 2 U EDUCATIONAL TRUCK
- SPEAKERS FROM DALES LAND NET
...AND MORE!

**FREE
FOOD ON
ARRIVAL**

SIGN UP ONLINE: WWW.EVENTBRITE.CO.UK/E/159596458303
OR RSVP: 01423 798225

**13:00PM START
FREE EVENT**

LOCATED: THORBERS BARN, HOWESYKE
FARM, LEYBURN, DL8 3TG