

# Dung Beetles and Grassland Management

**Date:** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2015

**Time:** 10am - 4pm

**Venue:** Parc Slip Wildlife Trust Centre & Nature Reserve

**Tutor:** Dr Sarah Beynon, Dr Beynon's Bug Farm

The course covers the conservation and survey methodologies for dung beetle (Coleoptera: Scarabaeidae) species in Wales and will provide participants with skills and experience in:

- Species identification
- Species ecology
- Practical conservation and habitat management techniques
- Impacts of livestock wormers and other parasiticides on dung beetles. This section of the course is particularly relevant to farmers, horse owners and land managers

The course will be delivered through a combination of classroom and outdoor field sessions designed to provide participants with a wide-ranging knowledge of dung beetle species and habitat preferences. Participants will start the day by carrying out a dung beetle survey at Parc Slip Nature Reserve before identifying specimens in the classroom. Sarah will then provide information on reasons for decline and habitat management to benefit dung beetles.

## Items to bring:

Packed lunch or money to buy from the Coffee Shop (tea and coffee is provided)

Waterproofs and boots for outdoor activities

Notepad and pencil

Hand lens (if possible)



For course booking, further information and payments please contact Marie Lindley  
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