



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MONITOR RIVER INSECTS

Workshop: Saturday 8th October 2022 – Charlbury, Oxon.

Free training day offered to Evenlode Catchment Partnership Citizen Scientists and others interested in monitoring the health of their local river with the *Cotswolds Rivers Trust*, in partnership with the *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.

This is a Riverfly Partnership initiative enabling 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. Riverfly monitoring in conjunction with FreshWater Watch water quality monitoring provides robust insights and will be used by the Evenlode catchment Partnership as part of their ongoing water quality monitoring and reporting strategy.

The workshop will be held on 8th October 2022, 9.30am to 4pm at the Charlbury Scouts Hut. It is free of charge and includes lunch. Please bring waterproofs, waders and/or wellingtons if you have them. Contact director@cotswoldsrivetrust.org at the *Cotswolds Rivers Trust* for further details or to book a place. www.cotswoldsrivetrust.org