



Cambridgeshire Mammal Group



Events and Projects - 2025

Here is news of the Group's events and projects that are known to be happening and planned for 2025.
Other events further into 2025 are due for discussion and confirmation at future business meetings.

If you are not a member and would like a 'trial run' at an event before joining - e-mail the Group at:
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Firstly, however, the Group has decided to terminate forthwith the production of a third edition of the Cambridgeshire Mammal Atlas (originally intended for publication in 2026). All the relevant records are available on the web on iRecord (<https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/>) and/or are with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Environmental Records Centre (CPERC).

Two major ongoing exercises:

1 - Re-surveying of badger setts throughout the county as recorded in the Group's database, with the incidental recording of setts not already in that database. Members and others who would like to be involved - contact us asap via the Group's e-mail address (on the front page of this website and above). Spring is THE time for this surveying! (Re)training can be arranged if needed.

2 - 'CambsMammalSpot' continues

This is part of a joint project with the county Wildlife Trust and is based on '**MammalWeb**' - see: <https://www.mammalweb.org/en/project-list> The local project is in that project list. Our Group is extending the recording of mammals in Cambridgeshire beyond the scope of MammalWeb (which is based solely on trail cam records) to include records (**however obtained**) of all the species of wild mammals (alive or dead, native and non-native) in the county. Records can be of sightings, tracks, other field signs, etc. - not just trail cam photos. Records can be put into the **MammalMapper** or **iRecord** apps - no paperwork involved! And no particular expertise - in both cases the records will be verified after entry on the app.

An 'Activity' has been set up on iRecord - go to:

<https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/> To add a record you can simply add a record without 'Registering' at all or even finding the 'Activity'. However, we hope you will 'Register' and look under 'Browse all activities' to find '**CambsMammalSpot**' (it's on page 7 of the Activities at the time of writing). Click on the 'gold star' button (on the right in the 'Actions' column) to add it to your Activities - next time you log in you'll be able to click on 'Activities' and you'll go straight to CambsMammalSpot! If you want it, training is available on the site itself.

Everyone (be they a member of the Group or a member of the public) is welcome to join in with CambsMammalSpot - contact us via our e-mail address on the front page of the website, or just start recording!

Late 2024 and very early 2025:

Events included particularly three very successful harvest mouse nest surveys (this surveying is an autumn/winter project and therefore concluded for this winter) and continuing with the badger sett work. Anyone (member or not) wishing to get involved in those or any other of the Group's activities in the future - please contact us via our e-mail address on the front page of the website and below.

2025 events known to date:

Hereunder are details of dates, times and venues for Group events arranged to date for 2025.

Date	Time	Location	Description
19/01/2025	10am	Barton	Badger Sett Survey
01/02/2025	10am	CRT @ Comberton	Harvest Mice Survey
09/02/2025	10am	Somersham Nature Reserve	Harvest Mice Survey
18/03/2025	1-3pm	Arbury Community Centre	Owl Pellet Dissection workshop
03/04/2025	6pm	Lower Wood	New volunteer day
04/04/2025	8am	Lower Wood	New volunteer day
19/04/2025	All day	Cambridge	NatHistFest
26/04/2025	2pm	Longstanton	Water vole survey
02/05/2025	6pm	St Mary's church, Wooditton	Mammal survey set up
02/05/2025	8am	St Mary's church, Wooditton	Mammal survey results
24/05/2025	2pm	Willingham	Water vole survey
07/06/2025		Hope Farm RSPB	Mammal survey set up
08/06/2025	8am	Hope Farm RSPB	Mammal survey results & display stand
13/06/2025		Hobsons Conduit	Mammal survey set up

14/06/2025	8am	Hobsons Conduit	Mammal survey results
14/06/2025		Coveney Church	Mammal survey set up
15/06/2025	8am	Coveney Church	Mammal survey results
21/06/2025	2pm	Coton	Water vole survey
22/06/2025	10-3:30	Overall Grove, Knapwell	Tracks and Signs Training
27/06/2025		Coton Orchard	Mammal survey set up
28/06/2025	8am	Coton Orchard	Mammal survey results
05/07/2025		Logans Meadow	Mammal survey set up
06/07/2025	8am	Logans Meadow	Mammal survey results
25/10/2024	10am	Wicken Fen	Harvest Mice Survey
15/11/2025	10am	Hope Farm RSPB	Harvest Mice Survey
26/11/2025	11am	Greenwillows, Warboys	Harvest Mice Survey

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Dated: 1 April 2025