



Directions: Approx. 9km north east of Perth, take the A94 through Scone, at Balbeggie take the B953, then take the minor road to Bandirran, 500m past Bandirran take a left to Collace and 200m past Collace take a left for about 900m to Kirkton of Collace Churchyard. National grid reference NO 196 320.

SATURDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER 2012 – Kirkton of Collace, Perthshire

AN INTRODUCTION TO CHURCHYARD LICHENS

Scottish Churchyards are a very important refuge for lichens. They often contain a wide range of rock types and other habitats which can lie undisturbed for decades and centuries. These habitats can become colonised by a wide range of lichens - sometimes over 100 species in a single churchyard. Some of these lichens can be rare and threatened. This workshop will be an introduction to how to identify the basic lichen forms; the affects of lichens on monuments; why lichens are important and how we can manage churchyards for them.

No previous knowledge will be assumed!

10.30am	REFRESHMENTS in the Church	
11.00am	Introduction to the Workshop and Brief Overview of Biodiversity in Churchyards	Catherine Lloyd, Tayside Biodiversity Partnership (TBP)
11.15am	Setting the Scene - History of Kirkton of Collace	Fiona Fisher, Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust
11.30am	The Importance of Lichens in Churchyards – an Introduction	John Douglass
11.50am	Comfort Break and get ready for exploration of churchyard (<i>please bring wet weather clothing and study shoes</i>)	
12.00pm	Churchyard Walk to see the different lichen forms, together with an introduction to the FSC Field Guide Key	John Douglass and Scottish Churchyard Lichen Group volunteers
c1.00pm	LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS in the Church – <i>please bring your own snack. Teas and coffees will be available</i>	
1.45pm	Lichen Identification Practice in the Churchyard	John Douglass and Scottish Churchyard Lichen Group volunteers
c3.45pm	REFRESHMENTS in the church and general round up to the day	

BOOKING FORM

This introductory workshop is open to anyone who would like to find out more about lichens, how important they are, and how to safeguard/manage them in churchyards – and beyond. No previous knowledge of lichens will be assumed, so if you are a complete beginner, please come along!

A donation of £10 is requested in return for a copy of the FSC Identification Key to take home, refreshments throughout the day, and a small contribution to the church's upkeep. The SITA Tayside Biodiversity Action Fund is funding the actual workshop.

Places are limited, so please return the completed form as soon as possible to secure your booking.

Booking Deadline – 31st August 2012

If possible, please e-mail the form direct as soon as possible to: AllanLC@angus.gov.uk and then post a copy, with payment, to: Linda Allan, Tayside Biodiversity Events Bookings, Angus Council Infrastructure Services, County Buildings, Market Street, Forfar, DD8 3LG

Name	
Organisation (if relevant)	
Address	
Postcode	
Email	
Tel. No. Mobile Tel. in case of emergency	
A donation of £10 or more is requested	Donation enclosed: £ <i>Please do not send cash; if possible send a cheque made payable to "Perth & Kinross Council" which administers the Tayside Biodiversity Partnership's budget; all monies will be credited direct to the Partnership. Alternatively, if you prefer, an invoice can be sent.</i>
Medical emergency contact/ any relevant conditions / requirements	
Lunch and Refreshments	<i>Please bring your own snack. We will provide tea and coffee for all the refreshment breaks.</i>
Travel Arrangements	I can offer a lift from (please state): I would consider the offer of a lift from (please state):