



Press release:

Wildlife brings life to your garden!

The concern for our local and global environment is real but instead of just worrying about it, you can do something positive by improving

your own patch into a wildlife friendly garden and receive a bronze, silver or gold award as well as a prize for your garden for entering.

So don't hesitate and enter the unique:

“Wildlife Garden Award Scheme in North West Wales”- We give advice on how to develop your gardens for wildlife – small or large – and you get a free entry to Portmeirion where we hold the award ceremony in July. All entrants receive a prize for the garden as well.

WE ARE OFFERING A FIRST PRIZE OF £100 IN EACH CATEGORY IN THIS UNIQUE AWARD SCHEME WHICH ENCOURAGES PEOPLE IN GWYNEDD, CONWY AND ANGLESEY TO ATTRACT MORE WILDLIFE TO THEIR GARDENS!

All you need to do to enter before the 3rd June is to contact Anna Williams on 01248-360981, 07772280970 or e-mail annawilliams@wildlifetrustswales.org

The campaign to attract more birds, butterflies, hedgehogs, and other creatures to gardens in North Wales began in August 2002, and its aim is to give the public information on ways which will help them to conserve and attract wildlife to their gardens. As part of the campaign, Snowdonia Wildlife Gardening Partnership is holding a competition with 4 categories for **private gardens (large and small) , community gardens, school gardens and business gardens. The deadline for this year's competition is 3rd June.** Anna Williams, project officer said: “This award scheme is open for all whether you have a large or small garden; there is a separate category for small private gardens. Many people like to help our native wildlife and some easy ways to do this is to grow plants rich in nectar for insects, shrubs full of berries for birds, plant trees and hedges, dig a pond, make your own compost and reduce the use of pesticides in your garden. Work with nature, observe it, relax and enter our friendly competition to learn more and to meet like minded people at the **prize giving ceremony at Portmeirion on July, the 8th.**”

Adjudicators will be Anna Williams and Anna Budesha (Wildlife Gardening Partnership North Wales), Margaret Thomas (Snowdonia Society), Karen Rawlins (Countryside Council for Wales), Anna Butler (Conwy County and Borough Council).

Notes to editors:

1. The Snowdonia Wildlife Gardening Partnership was established in August 2002, and includes the following 13 partners: Snowdonia National Park Authority, Countryside Council for Wales, Plas Tan-y-Bwlch, Treborth Botanical Gardens, Antur Waunfawr, Snowdonia Society, Portmeirion Gardens, Gwynedd County Council, Conwy County Borough Council, Anglesey County Council, RSPB and the North Wales Wildlife Trust.
2. For further information, contact Project Officer Anna Williams on 01248-360981 (mon-thursday, 9-3pm) or e-mail annawilliams@wildlifetrustswales.org

Caption for photo – Bumble bee on cornflower