

Butterfly Watching Group Manual

Butterfly Watching Group - Office Bearers				
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Introduction

Butterflying is a popular hobby that involves observing butterflies in their natural habitats. Sitting at your window and watching butterflies flit happily from flower to flower can be a relaxing and enjoyable activity. Butterflies expend energy as they fly, so they need to feed on the nectar from flowers. If you create a place in your yard that will attract butterflies, you may be pleasantly surprised by the different butterfly species that will visit you.

Humane treatment of animals and insects is a priority for many people. It is possible to observe butterflies without harming them if you remember simple etiquette and ethical conduct. Instead of capturing and collecting butterfly specimens, observe them in nature, take photographs of them, draw sketches, and release them without harm. Consider the impact of butterfly houses, too, to determine whether you wish to support these types of establishments.

A Butterfly Garden Project for People Of All Ages

The Butterfly garden is an educational, therapeutic and recreational project, based initially on gardening, but later offering so much more. It is a project for people of all ages. It caters for those looking to escape the world, those looking to re-enter it and some, who are still just looking. Its doors are open to anyone without obligation.

Aims and Objectives

- To observe and identify the characteristics of the life cycle of a butterfly.
- Broadly our aims are to offer diverse, stimulating and purposeful opportunity to any age people.
- Delivering a service which offers education, recreation and therapy, in a cocktail that the individual finds comfortable.
- Our objective is to create a garden that is safe and self-sustaining.
- Data generating and protecting and creating interest and also breeding some of the critically endangered species.

The following are some do's and don'ts for butterfly watching.

- Cast no shadow
- Take your time

Constitution

- The institute's code of conduct policy is applicable to this Butterfly group
- Code of ethics against butterfly releases: when you wish to observe butterflies, find them in their natural habitat to avoid contributing to their harm.
- A code of conduct for collecting insects and other invertebrates: etiquette when collecting insects includes not taking more than you need and photographing instead of removing them whenever possible.
- Not to harm a fly: our ethical obligations to insects: explore ethics in connection with insect observation and collecting.
- The butterfly house industry: conservation risks and education opportunities: butterfly houses can educate the public about butterflies, but they may present ethical concerns about butterfly treatment.
- The policies may be modified by the group committee as required following a defined process.

Please follow this code and distribute and teach it to others.

Any violations of the code of ethics should be reported to nature club head or Butterfly group head