



**Biological Recording in Scotland (BRISC)**  
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## **BRISC Conference and AGM 2001**

### **Biodiversity Data: Collection and Use**

**Inverness Museum - Saturday 17th March 2001**

Programme

10.00 **Registration and coffee/tea**

10.35 **Welcome and Introduction** (AMS)

The morning's programme will look at different technical aspects of biodiversity data (Chair AMS).  
(Each talk should last no longer than 25 minutes leaving 5 minutes for questions)

10.45 **The importance of being earnest! - validating records**

Stephen Moran, Assistant Curator, Natural Sciences, Inverness Museum

11.15 **Access to biodiversity data via the NBN and the Internet**

Oliver Grafton, NBN Officer for Accreditation and Access Terms.

11.45 **Community Wildlife Audits: a fresh look at Highland Biodiversity**

Ian Evans, Highland Biological Recording Group

12.20 **BRISC AGM**

13.00 **Lunch**

13.45 **Needs for Biodiversity data and the economics of collection and use**

A panel consisting of Duncan Bryden (Scottish Wildlife Trust), Andy Dorin (Highland Council), Hugh Morison (Scotch Whisky Association and chair of SBG's Business and Biodiversity subgroup), William Penrice (Fife Nature LRC), and Jeff Watson (Scottish Natural Heritage) will discuss issues and answer questions from the floor. (This will partly build on the morning's papers and there will also be some written questions to start the debate)

14.50 **Coffee/tea break**

Two ongoing schemes for collecting biodiversity data  
(Chair to be announced)

15.10 **Investigation of cetacean strandings in Scotland**

Bob Reid, Wildlife Unit, SAC, Inverness

15.40 **Bumblebee Work in the Highlands and Islands**

Murdo Macdonald, Highland Biological Recording Group)

16.10 **Discussion**

16.30 **Closing remarks and departure**