

# Wildlife Records in Fife and Kinross: Past and Present

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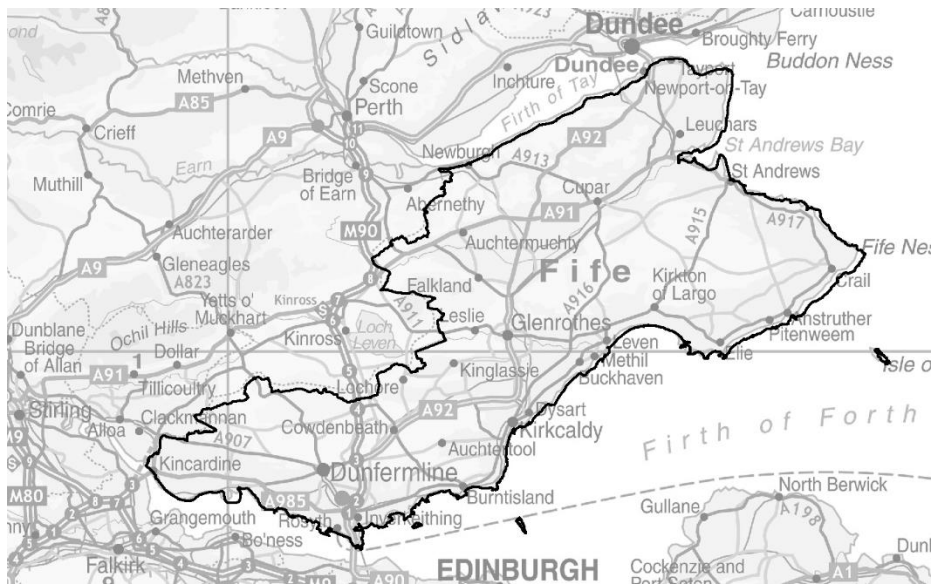
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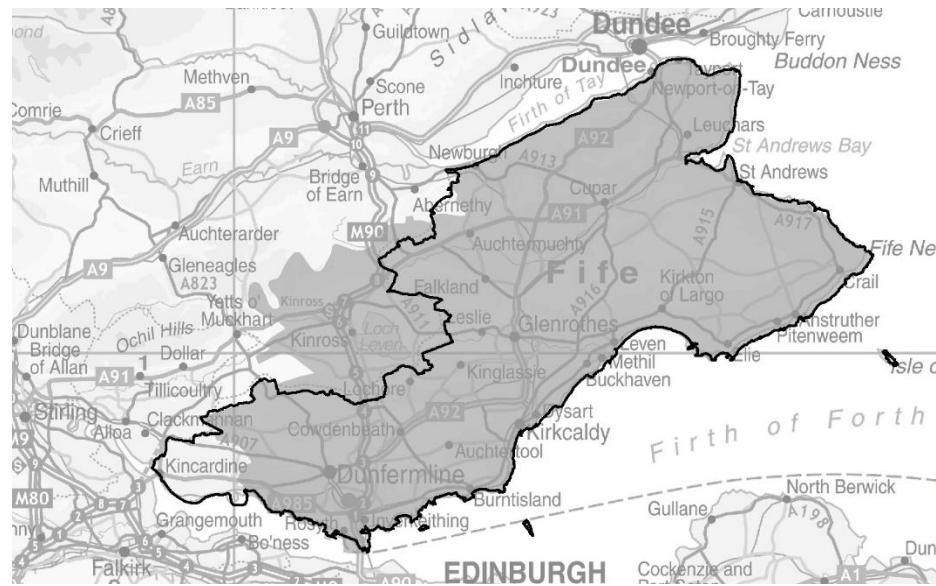
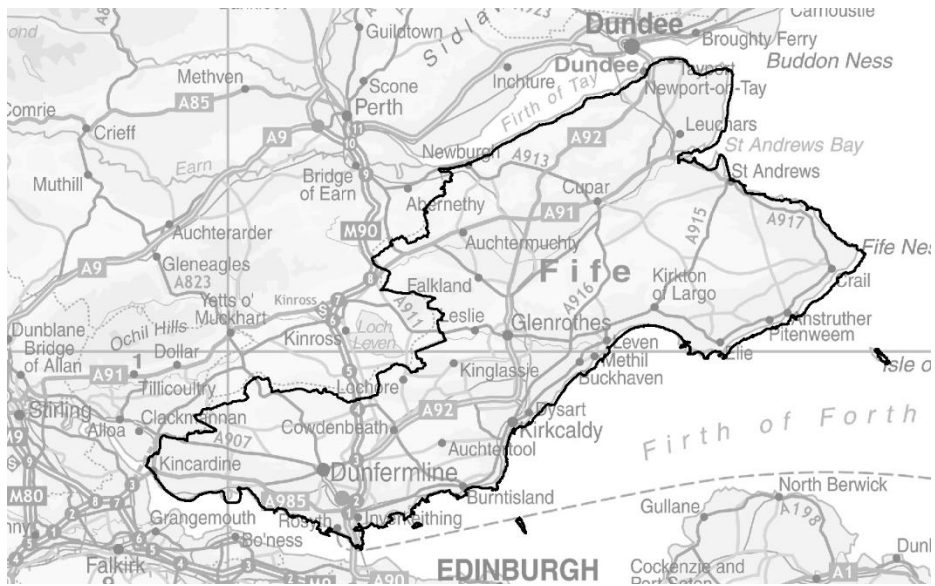
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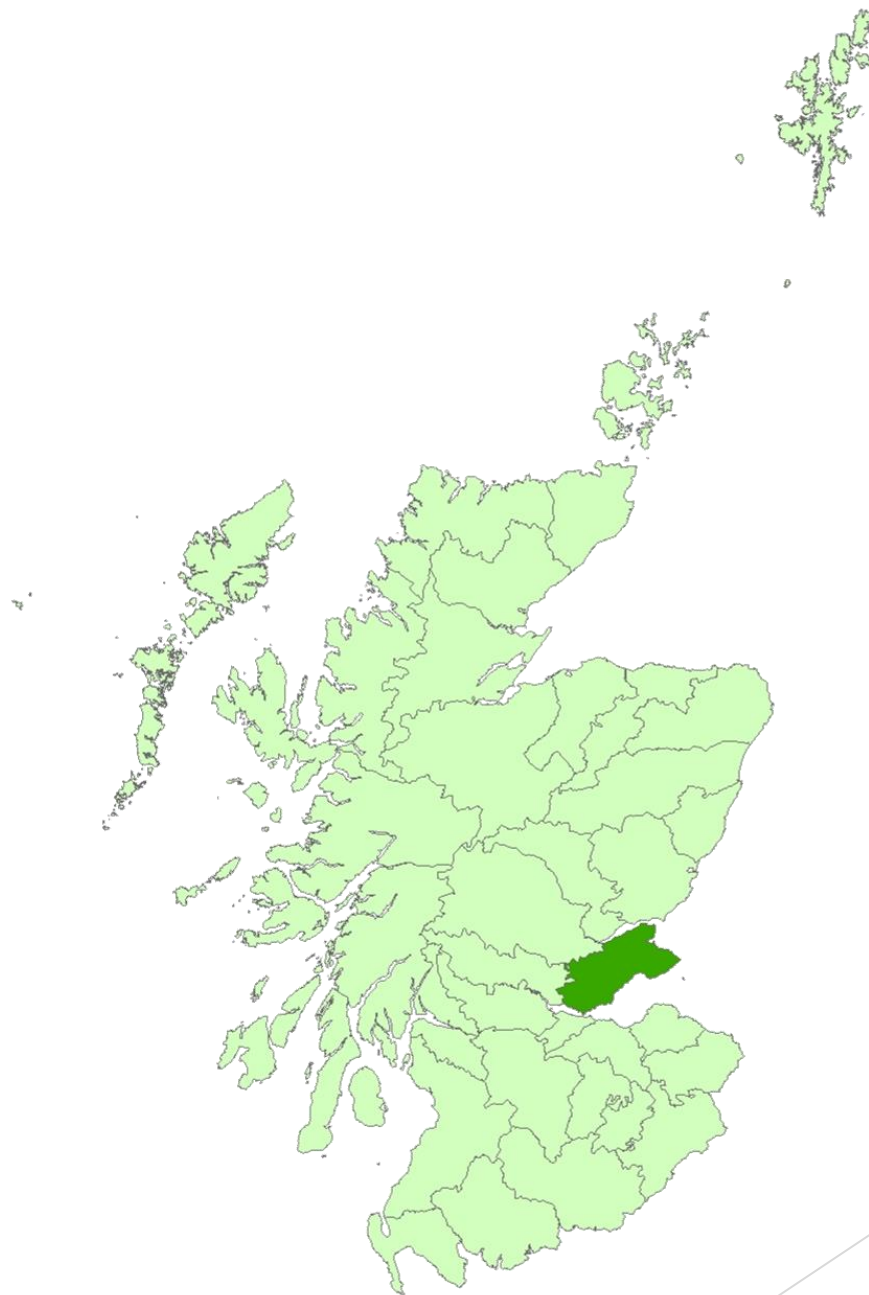
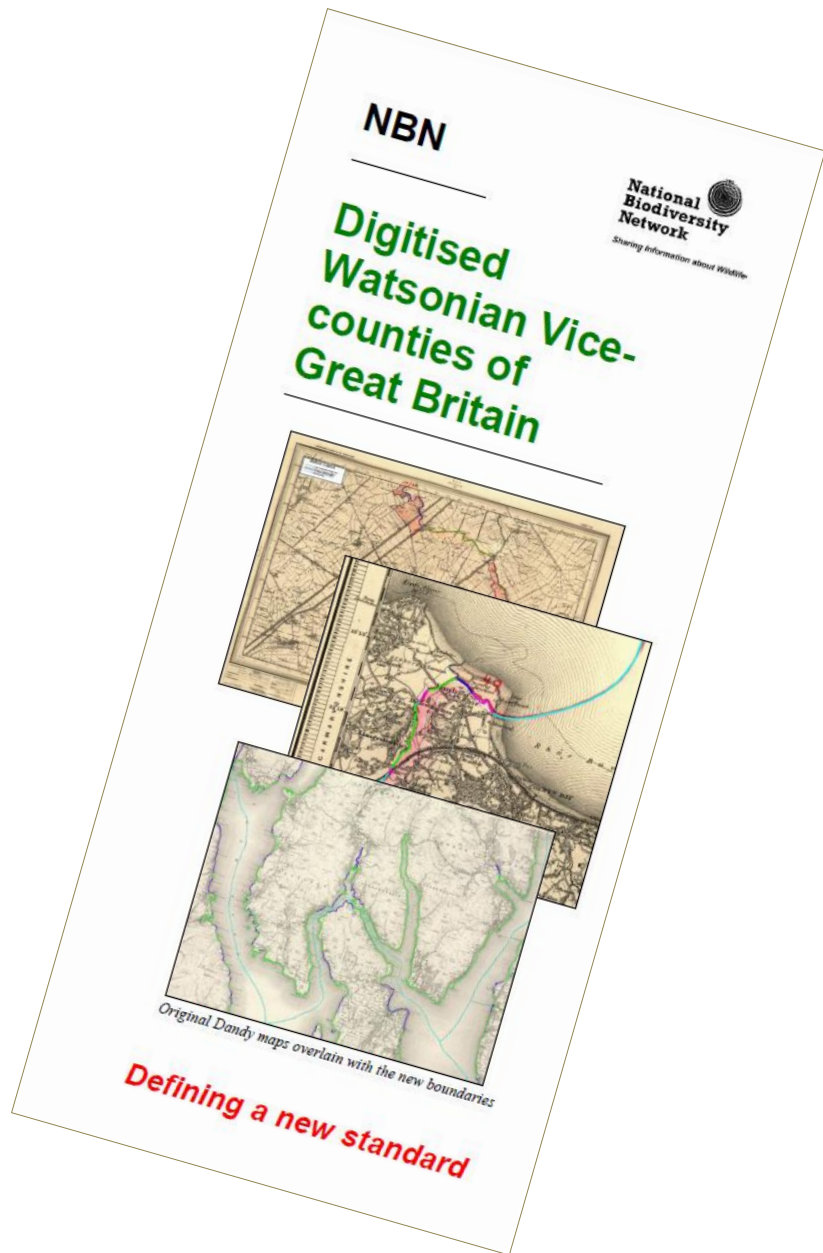
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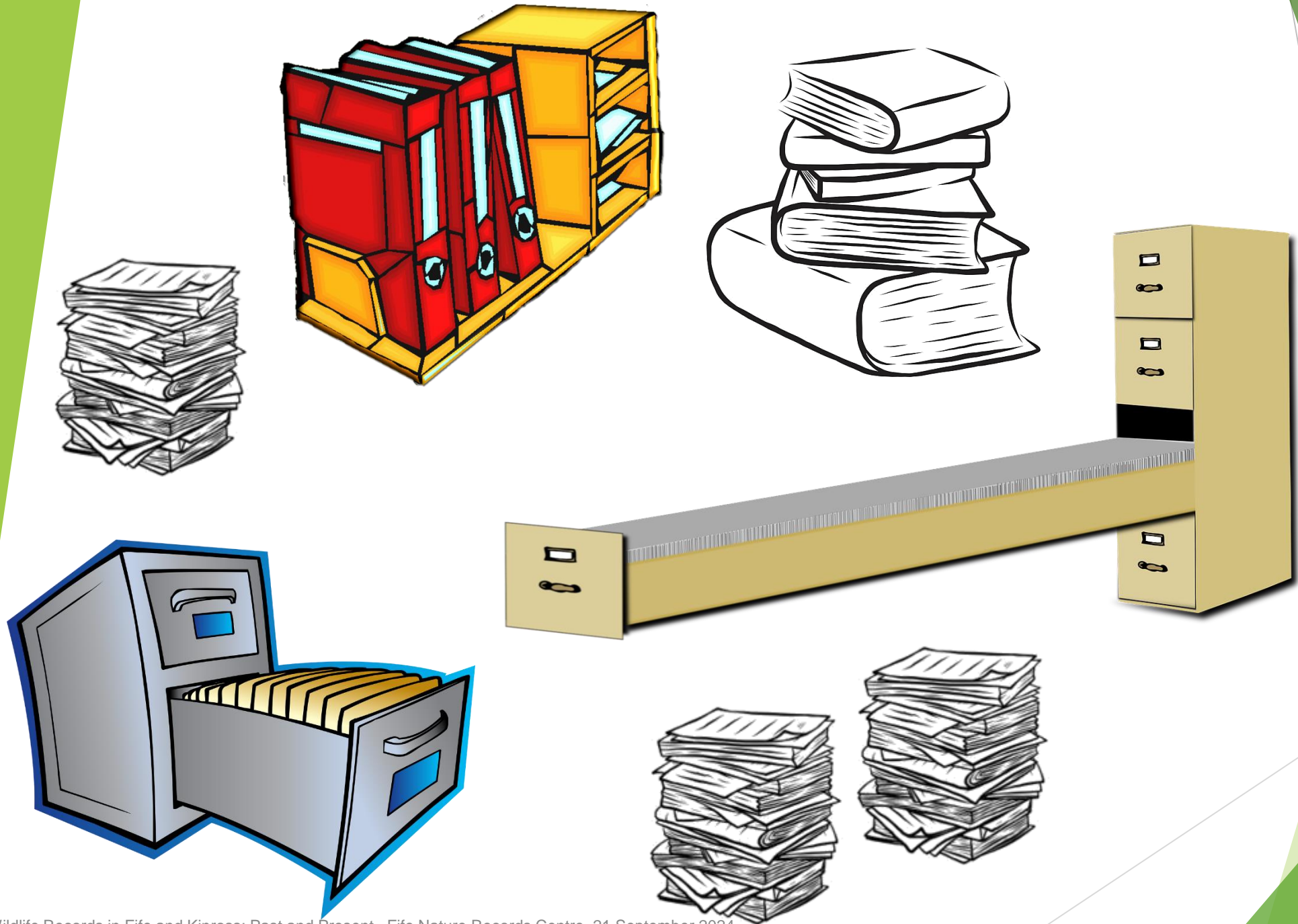


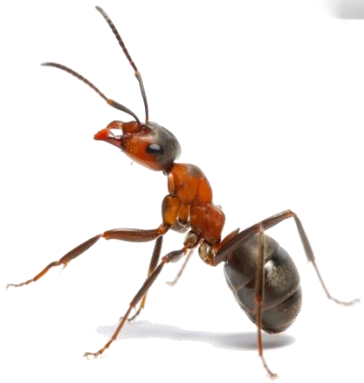














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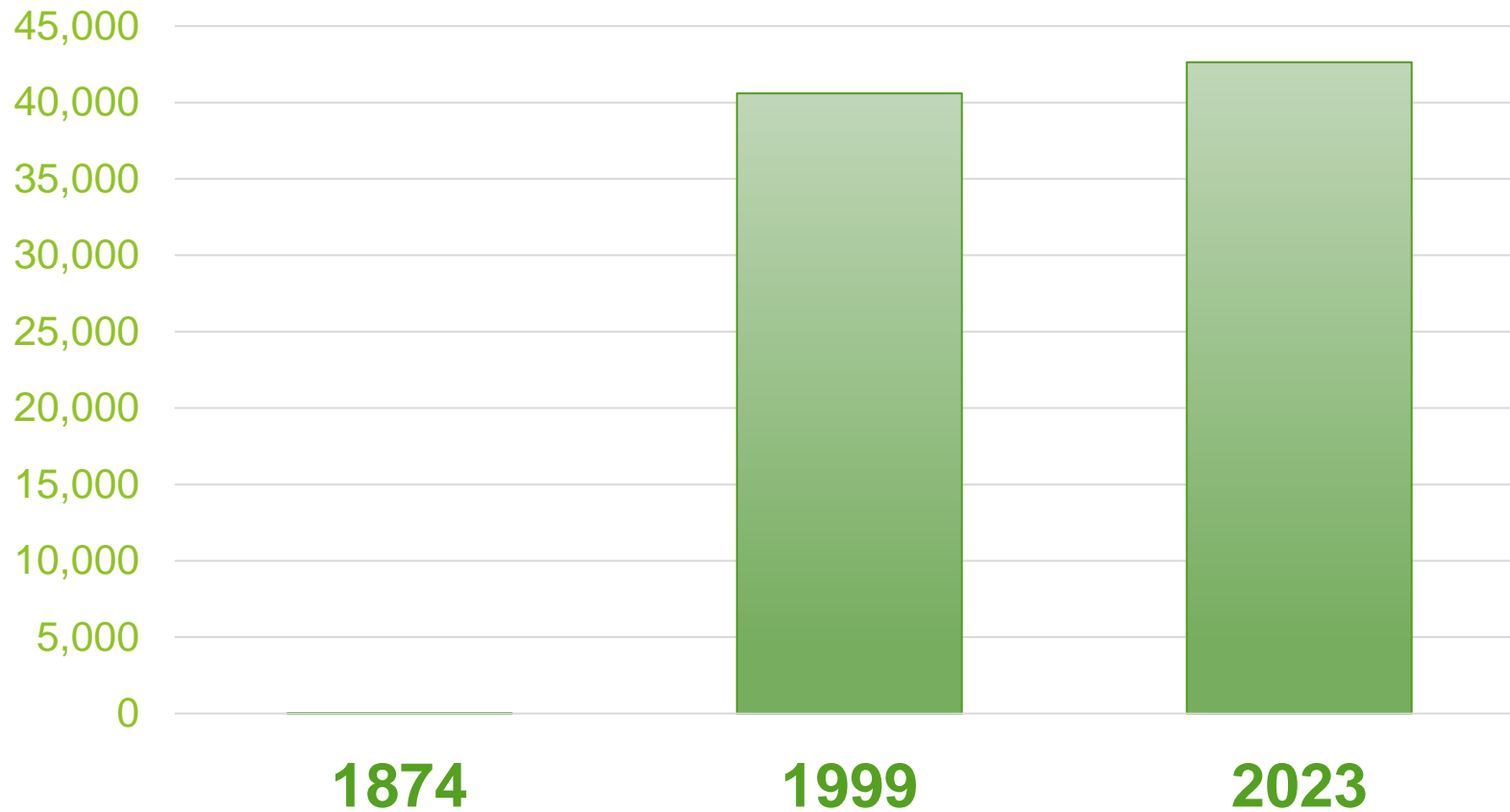


150 years ago: 1874

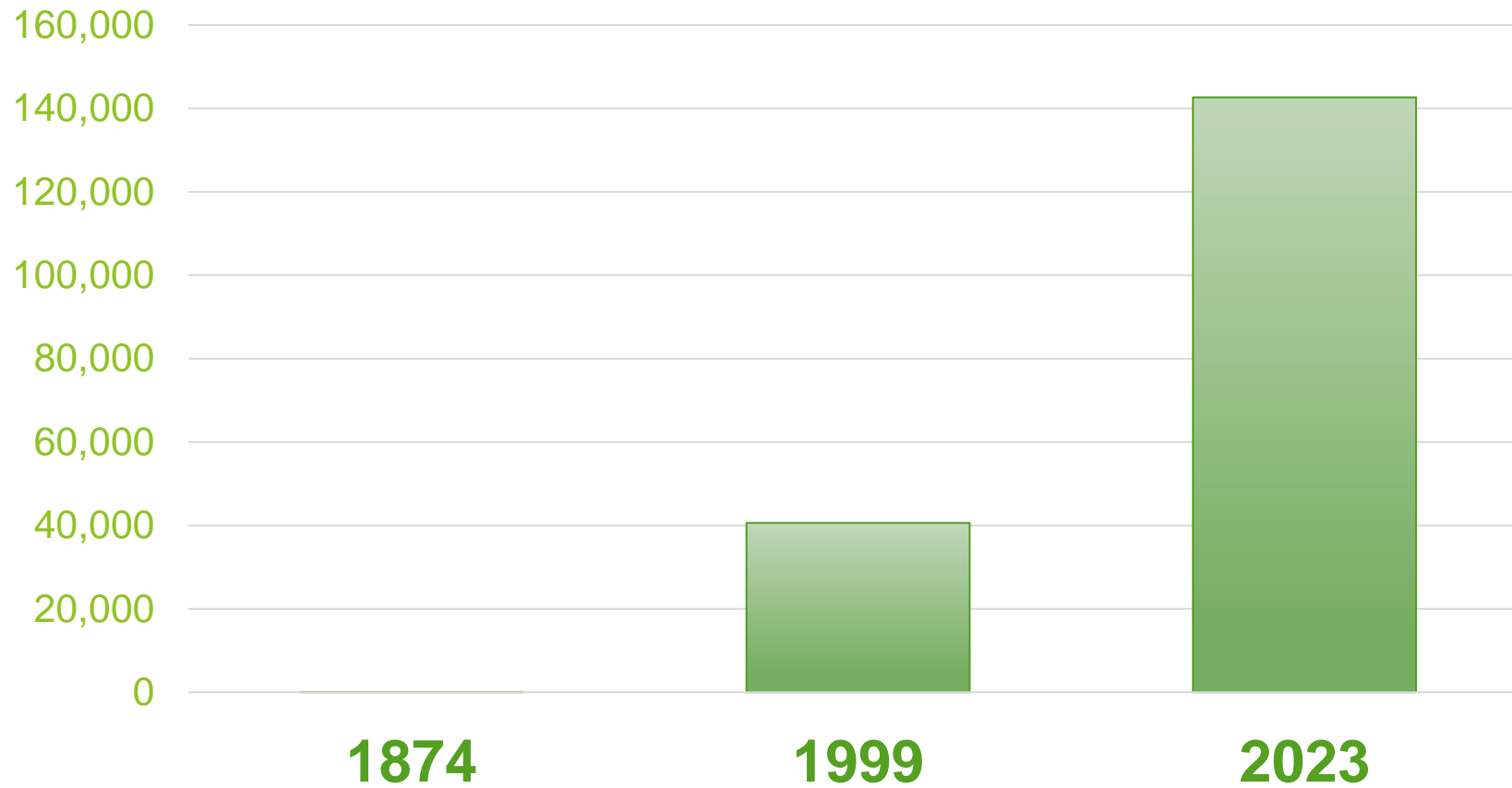
25 years ago: 1999

Now: ...well, 2023!

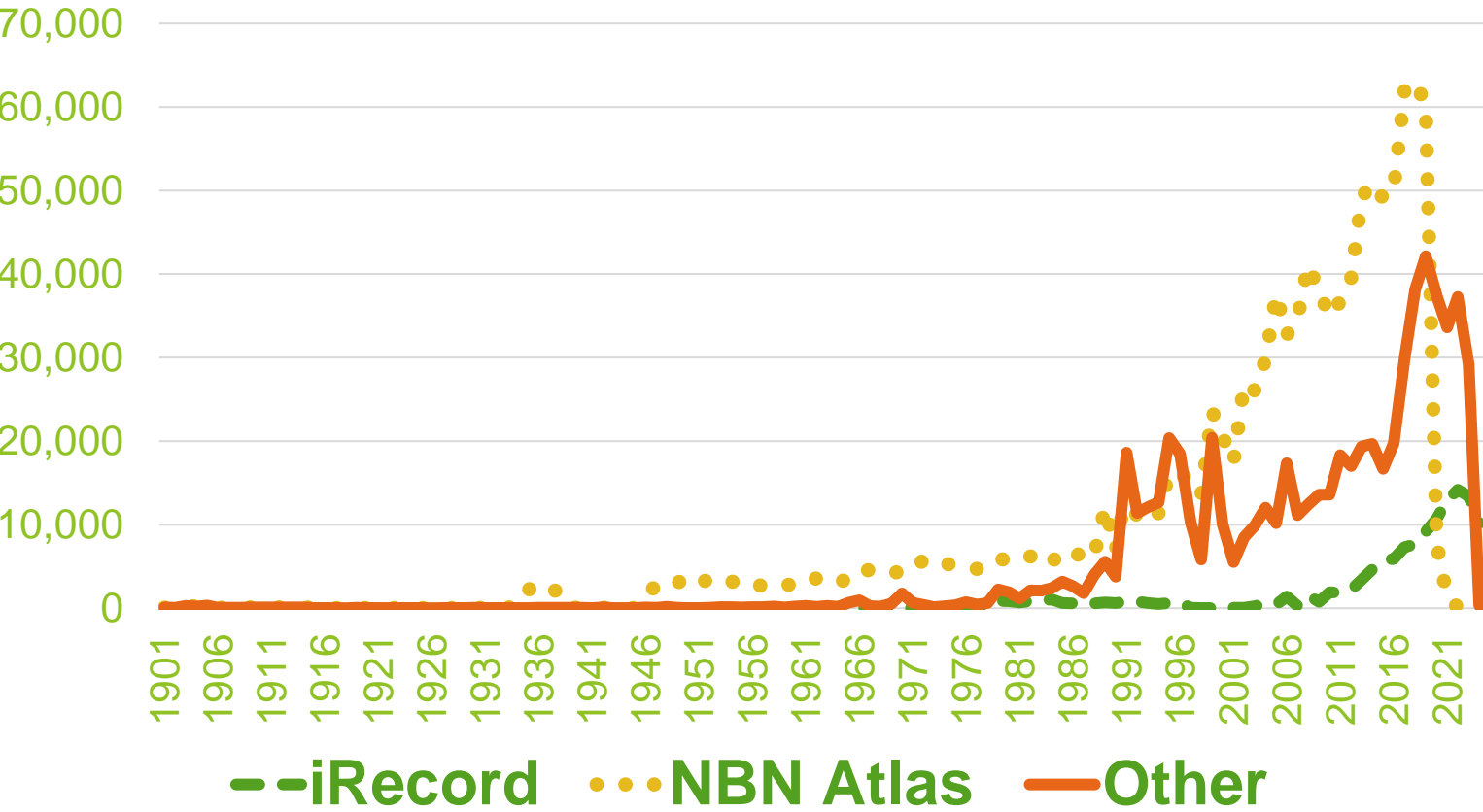
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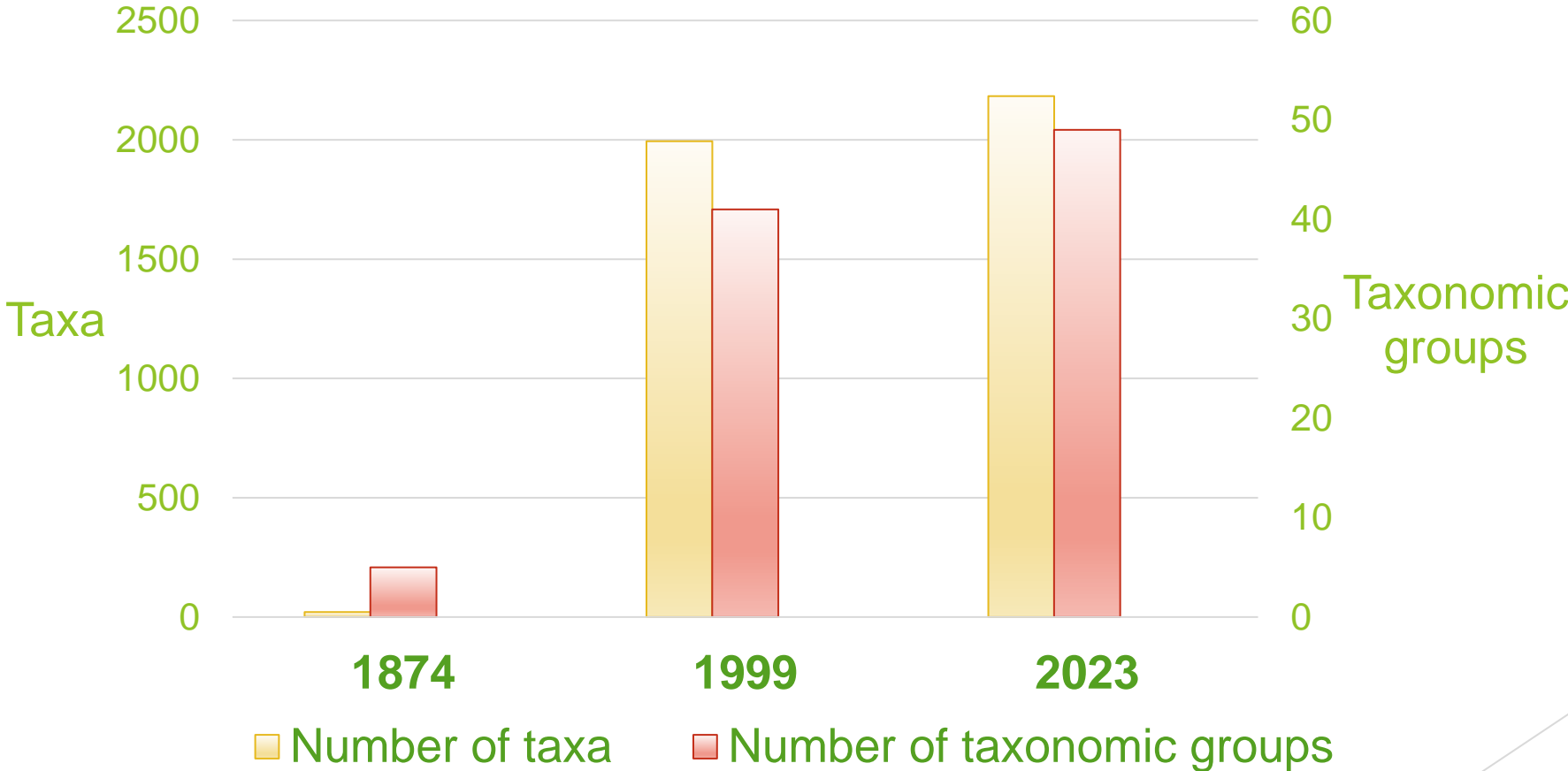
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# Numbers of records – and source



# Numbers of taxa and taxonomic groups



# Top 3 taxa and taxonomic groups

	1874	1999	2023
1	flowering plant	bird	insect - moth
2	fern	flowering plant	insect - butterfly
3	stonewort	fungus	bird





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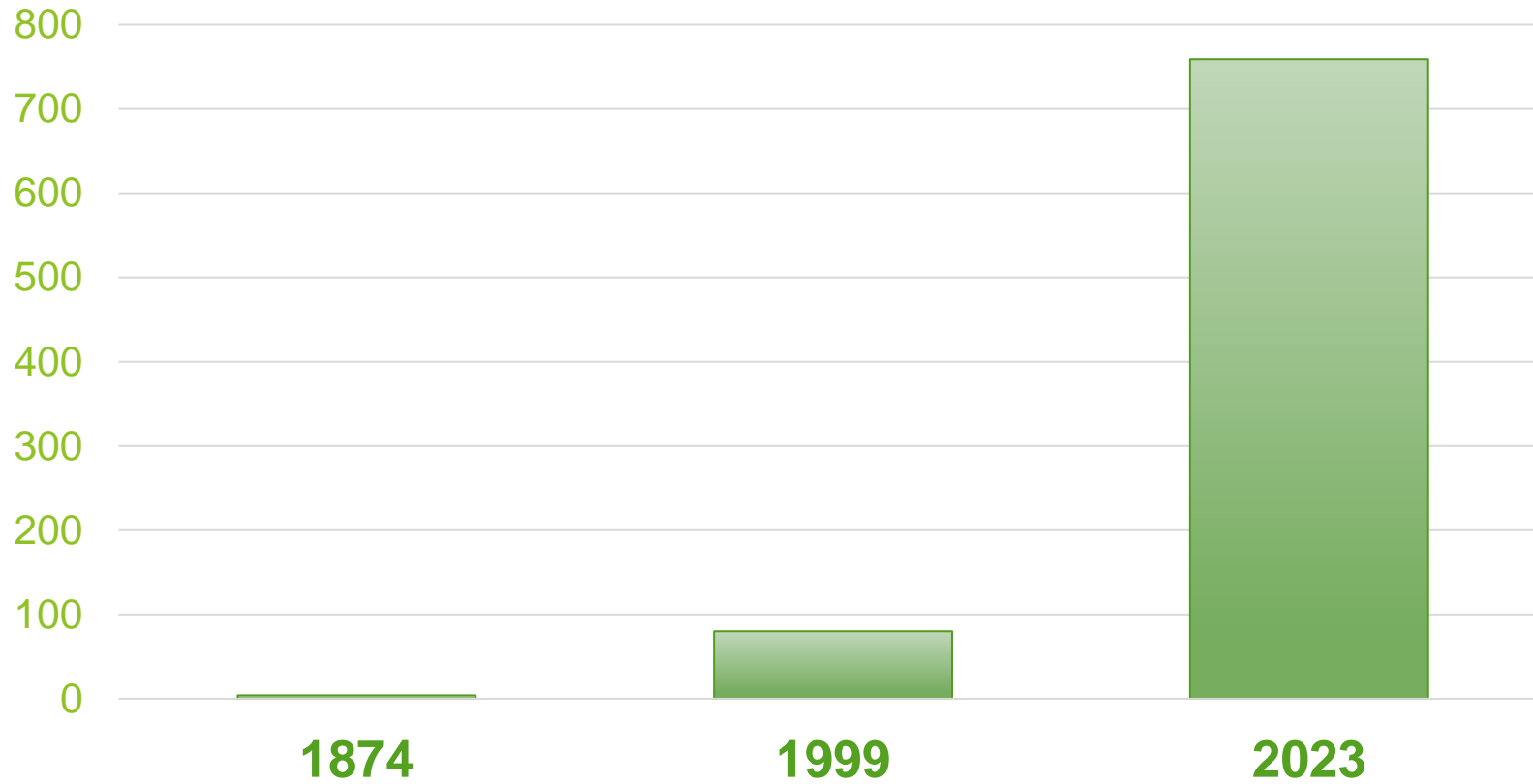
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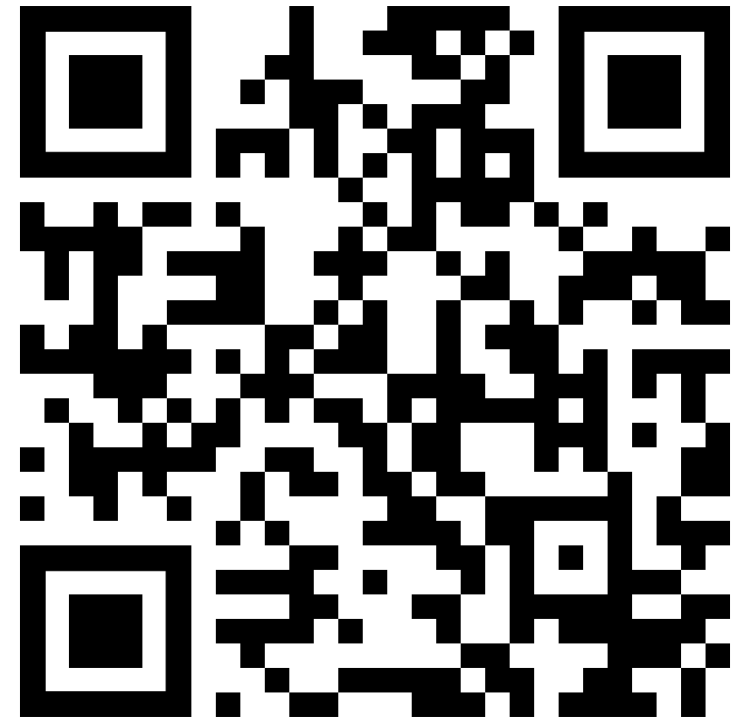
2023		
1	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	Red Admiral (butterfly)
2	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>	Meadow Brown (butterfly)
3	<i>Aglais io</i>	Peacock (butterfly)

# Numbers of recorders



# Upcoming training – free!

- ▶ See Past the Slime: Learn to Identify Slugs
- ▶ <https://forms.office.com/e/cb5bLmrCH4>
- ▶ Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October, Rosyth (Fife)
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