



**Mammals in  
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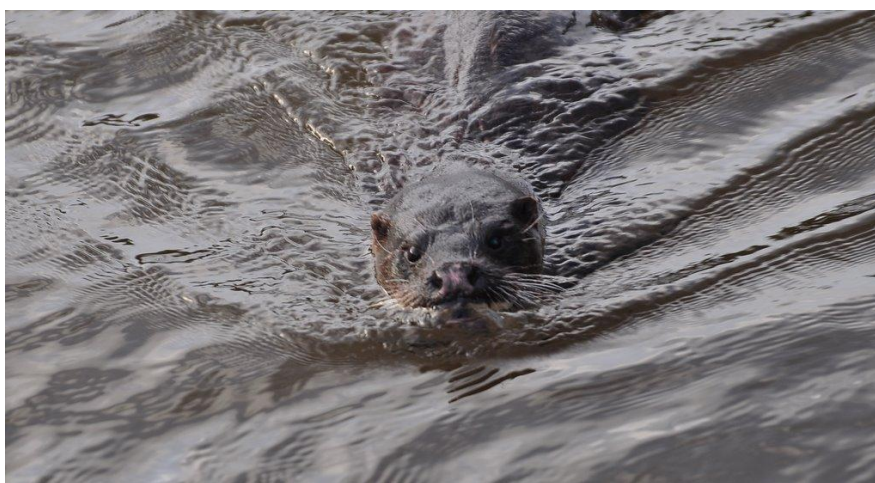


## Roaringwater Bay Otter Event

The Mammals in a Sustainable Environment (MISE) Project in conjunction the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) are pleased to invite you to an information evening about the otters of Roaringwater Bay (RWB) on **Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.00 pm at the Baltimore Community Centre**. The talk will introduce the audience to the otter research that has been conducted in the area. Dr Addy de Jongh, an otter specialist and head of the Dutch Otterstation Foundation will speak about the radio-tracking study that was conducted in RWB during 2010-2011. The study (involving the NPWS) examined the otter home range sizes, daily activity and overall use of the local environment. The team tagged seven otters during the study and monitored and mapped their activity and movements across the bay.

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> there will be an otter survey in Baltimore area where volunteers can learn how to spot signs of otter activity and participate in the collection of otter spraints. These spraints will be used for DNA analysis in Waterford Institute of Technology where we can identify the species, sex and individual from the samples.

This event is free to attend, but places are limited and booking is essential. For more information about MISE visit <http://www.miseproject.ie/> or find us on Facebook. MISE is funded by the European Regional Development Fund under the Ireland-Wales Programme 2007-2013 (INTERREG IVA). Partners in Ireland include Waterford Institute of Technology, Waterford County Council and The National Biodiversity Data Centre. Please contact Denise O'Meara, MISE Project Officer, WIT <mailto:domeara@wit.ie> or phone 051 302665 for queries and bookings.



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