

New structure for the ECT website

The ECT currently supports 26 active experiments at 19 sites in the United Kingdom and our community is constantly growing. To make the information about our projects easy to access we restructured our [brand new webpage](#).

We are aiming to update all individual project pages. Please get in [contact](#) if you have new information for the website or newsletter!



Glen Finglas - 15 years of grazing manipulation

The experiment at Glen Finglas is in its fifteenth year of grazing manipulation. 2017 has seen the completion of the fieldwork for the three-yearly detailed monitoring of the vegetation and the invertebrate community. We've also managed to replace 85 % of the fencing over the last few years, so this should see the basic infrastructure through to the 2030s. Next year sees a return to more focus on bird behaviour, where we'll be looking at foraging choices and how they relate to the nutrient content and flows through patches of different quality.

[More information](#)



Pwllpeiran open day - 14th of September

The Brignant plots will be open to the public as part of the Pwllpeiran and IBERS open day on the 14th September. Come along and find out more about the research, innovation and teaching that goes on at Pwllpeiran. Join a guided tour around the research plots, and interesting discussions held at the centre whilst enjoying some food!

Refreshments are provided and catering van is on site!

[More information](#)



Brignant plots stand the test of time

In case you were always wondering why long-term experiments are like vintage cars, you can find the full blog article about the Brignant plots by Dr Mariecia Fraser [on our website](#).

BCCIL - the long-term experiment enters its second phase

A major challenge for long-term experiments is to maintain the continuity of experimental manipulations through different phases of experimentation and external support. The ECT endeavours to provide support to long-term ecology experiments during challenging times.



The Buxton Climate Change Impacts Laboratory has received bridging funds to meet the costs of climate change manipulations and is now facilitating the launch of a second phase of research and management.

[More information](#)



Clocaenog - new infrastructure for 18-year old climate change experiment

Over the past 18 years, the infrastructure of the Clocaenog experiment has been weakened by rough outdoor conditions. Over the past two years, our highly skilled engineers from the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology worked on the refurbishment of the roof scaffolding. We hope this allows for the continuation of this long-term climate change research for another 10 to 20 years.

[Read the full article.](#)



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