

# Crowd-sourced Platform Workshop (in-person)

Join VCE on **July 9 and 10** for an in-person training on crowd-sourced platforms, including iNaturalist, eButterfly, Odonata Central, and eBird. This workshop is a two-day event—you can register for one or both days, depending on your interest. Each day will begin with a guided nature walk, focused on photographing and recording taxonomic groups of interest. Following the walk, we will return to the VCE office to upload the group's content to the platforms of focus and discuss how to use these platforms.

[Register Here!](#)

## Day 1: iNaturalist and eButterfly

We will meet at the [Brookmead Conservation Area](#) in Norwich, Vermont, on Saturday, July 9, at 9 AM. Brookmead address: 701 Turnpike Rd, Norwich, VT 05055. After an overview of how to take identifiable observations, we will begin with a guided walk looking for fungi with [Meg Madden](#). On our way back down, we will search for butterflies and other insects. We will wrap up our walk at 12 PM, and return to the VCE office for lunch and to upload our content onto iNaturalist and eButterfly.

Please Bring:

- Tick protective gear
- Insect net (if you have one)
- Clear container for photographing insects
- Camera or smartphone
- Lunch
- Plenty of water

Before attending the workshop, please set up an [iNaturalist](#) and/or an [eButterfly](#) account. If you need help, please contact Julia Pupko ([jpupko@vtecostudies.org](mailto:jpupko@vtecostudies.org)).

## Day 2: Odonata Central and eBird

We will meet at the [VCE office](#) in White River Junction on Sunday, July 10 at 8 AM. VCE Address: 20 Palmer Ct, White River Junction, VT 05001. We will begin with a discussion on checklisting, followed by a guided bird walk and a search for dragon and damselflies. Between 11 and 12 we will return to the VCE office to eat lunch, upload our content, and discuss these platforms in greater depth.

Please Bring:

- Tick protective gear
- Binoculars
- A camera/ smartphone (if possible)
- Lunch
- Water
- Insect net (if you have one)

Before attending the workshop, please set up an [Odonata Central](#) and/or an [eBird](#) account. If you need help, please contact Julia Pupko ([jpupko@vtecostudies.org](mailto:jpupko@vtecostudies.org)).