

A Shamley Green Matter

Pond Management No.1, 28 February 2021

POND MANAGEMENT – AQUATIC POND LIFE IN THE DUCK POND

From the Duck Pond, 23rd and 24th Feb 2021, whilst removing twiggy debris and pond weed. All photographed in a dish of pond water and returned to the pond after. Other wildlife returned directly to the pond.

Dragonfly larva, almost certainly an Emperor and **Damselfly larva**. Both are an indicator of good water quality.



Common toad, *Bufo bufo*.



Alderfly larva, *Sialis*. The feathery structures along the body are external gills and **Caddis fly larva**, in a reed covered case.



Alderfly larva attacking caddis fly larva



Small Ramshorn Water Snail, *Planorbidae*.



Backswimmer, or Greater Water Boatmen, *Notonecta glauca*, upper view and more usual view.



(Lesser) Water Boatman, *Corixa punctata*



Fresh Water Shrimp, *Gammarus*.



Water Slater, *Asellus aquaticus* and mating



I see this as a system that anyone should be able to contribute to.

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