

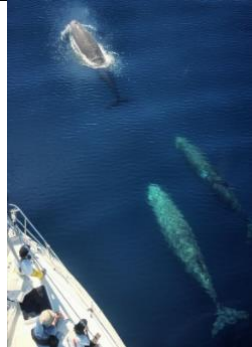


Oxfordshire Mammal Group Winter Lectures Jan to March 2021 - final

Date 2021	Speaker	Title / topic	
Monday 11 th January	Dr Iain McGill	Badger Cull - unscientific, expensive, and immoral Dr Iain McGill is a veterinary surgeon and the former government scientist who exposed the BSE cover up in the 1990's. In addition to his clinical work he has worked in the fields of neuropathology, molecular biology, phytotherapeutics, conservation of endangered species and, for the past eight years, bovine TB.	
Monday 8 th February	Dr Aleks Trajçe, Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment in Albania (PPNEA).	To the brink of extinction and back: a long-term programme for the recovery of the critically endangered Balkan lynx (<i>Lynx lynx balcanicus</i>) The Balkan lynx is critically endangered as a result of poaching, habitat loss, prey decline and human development. Aleks will discuss how a long term, international, trans-border and cross-discipline project has engaged scientists, ecologists, volunteers and local communities to try and preserve this sub-species in areas of Albania, Macedonia and Kosovo, with rich biodiversity but previously neglected by conservationists.	
Monday 8 th March	Prof Sascha Hooker Sea Mammal Research Unit, Scottish Oceans Institute, University of St Andrews	Marine mammal and Ocean Conservation Sascha will talk about her work on some of the most extreme mammals, the use of protected areas to safeguard our seas, and some of the amazing technology we use to help pry into the lives of marine mammals at sea.	

All lectures will be 'virtual' this year and will take place via Zoom, starting at 7pm