



Citizen Science and the Bulawayo Photographic Society

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The Photographic Society of Bulawayo is a highly active society who meets monthly to share their photographs and ideas. They are a group routinely taking pictures of wildlife and the theme for 2021 was macro-photography. The Curator of Arachnids, Dr M. J. FitzPatrick was invited to do a presentation on the importance of Citizen Science and how everyone can get involved and add records to the database. This presentation included:-

1. What is GBIF and the BID programme
2. What is Citizen Science and its importance
3. How to create an INaturalist account on tablet or computer.
4. Looking for nature including Snakes and Lizards, Insects and Arachnids
5. Taking a picture of what you find, including location
6. Sharing your observation on INaturalist.

The presentation was well received and since then a number of the members have joined the INaturalist group and shared their records.



