

Number of days attended

1	0
2	5
3	0
4	4
5	0
6	1
7	4
8	19

1 To what extent did you find the course valuable?

Very valuable	27
Valuable	7
Quite valuable	0
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

2 How relevant was the course to your professional development?

Very relevant	23
Relevant	11
Quite relevant	0
Not very relevant	0
Not at all relevant	0

3 How well did the course meet your expectations?

Exceeded expectations	14
Expectations met	19
Met some of my expectations	1
Did not meet my expectations	0

4 Will you recommend this course to your colleague?

Yes	34
No	0

5 Rate the following topics in terms of their value to you:

What's so special about islands? Day 1

Very valuable	19
Valuable	9
Quite valuable	1
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

What's happening to island biodiversity? Day 2

Very valuable	19
Valuable	8
Quite valuable	1
Not very valuable	1
Not at all valuable	0

Practical field skills in endangered species recovery (Camp). Day 3

Very valuable	19
Valuable	6
Quite valuable	2
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

The theory and practice of endangered species recovery. Day 4

Very valuable	23
Valuable	8
Quite valuable	1
Not very valuable	0
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The theory and practice of island system restoration. Day 5

Very valuable	17
Valuable	9
Quite valuable	2
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

Practical field skills in island restoration (IAA). Day 6

Very valuable	12
Valuable	13
Quite valuable	2
Not very valuable	1
Not at all valuable	0

Building understanding and consensus. Day 7

Very valuable	15
Valuable	10
Quite valuable	3
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

To the aviaries and beyond- where do we go from here? Day 8

Very valuable	20
Valuable	11
Quite valuable	3
Not very valuable	0
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6 How would you rate the presentation of the lectures?

Excellent	23
Good	10
Satisfactory	1
Fair	0
Poor	0

7 To what extent did you find the whole group discussions of value?

Very valuable	17
Valuable	16
Quite valuable	1
Not very valuable	0
Not at all valuable	0

8 To what extent did you find the small group activities of value?

Very valuable	20
Valuable	11
Quite valuable	3
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9 How do you feel about the duration of the course?

Too long	0
Slightly too long	8
About right	20
Slightly too short	3
Too short	1

12 Any other comments regarding the course content, format, facilities available etc that will help

The course was very interesting. Need to have it every year, one or two times a year.

More material for reading, more references needed, have CD earlier in the course, come up why not with recommendations, need more presentations. However, I learnt a lot and shared a lot of experiences from MWF.

Difficult to do both fieldwork and the course. Shame to organise the course and then many people can't be involved as much as they would like due to field commitments.

Residential course, evening discussions, party on final or pre-final day.

Try to include the NPCs sub-station eg: NPPC and RTRERS and knowledge about this work

More hour will be fantastic

Space out the course more, very intensive having 8 days all together. More comfortable location, more seats.

Try to facilitate staff so that everyone can attend (i.e. Field staff- not all could attend)

It would have been useful if the details had been provided for the course and who was attending in advance.

Covered a good range of relevant subjects in a variety of interesting ways.

Must improve for plants section. Not enough about flora. In general it was excellent.

It was very good

More hands on practicals

More on plant work, more on Rodrigues projects. Follow-up of this course and improvement over the years.

It's too much to run the course for whole days consecutively and expect people to continue normal work (as is the case of field workers). Shorter days spread apart would ease the pressure significantly. Peak season isn't the best time either.

Very satisfied about the course on the whole. The content were relevant. Maybe find a way to get people to participate in the whole group discussion. Some people have lots to say but sometimes don't dare.

The lecture room was not aerated enough for this period of the year, especially in the afternoon.

Some air-conditioning would have been welcomed.

The courses were well organised and well fitted to last the 8 days. Facilities were good, content and format were excellent.

Good if course could be held twice a year

Course content very good. There was a lack of facilities, small classroom for demonstration.

Whole course and presentations were interesting and provided lots of information. Everyone did an excellent job. During small group discussions one person should not monopolise and other person's views should REALLY be taken into consideration and push the person further to explain what he/she really means.

More practical work. Some lectures were too long.

More opportunities for MWF staff and volunteers to attend- maybe a longer running course run on weekends only to accommodate field work. More time for practicals so you can get more practice if possible.

Jamie did an excellent job and the presentations were very lively and interesting. But some presentations by others were a bit boring though. The workshop as a whole was very enriching.

More practical work.

Any other comments?

Should share more experiences from MWF conservation successes

It was great to be able to interact with people from all areas of MWF and NPCS etc and to learn about the different attitudes towards conservation and the work that is done here.

Could be done each year. Another some kind of training following this one (continuing the first one).

Excellent. Jamie, keep up the good work.

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Very good lectures and Jamie was great at linking everything together, organising the days and each event/lecture.

Really useful training and collaboration opportunity.

More practical works could lead more understanding and if its possible to have short course in the afternoon. The food was not of good level.

Food was not good and scarce.

Some more days in the release sites and in the CMA's would have been good

I would recommend this type of course for the different organisations, public and private such as Ministry of Education, Health and large private land owners who make decisions pertaining to species and conservation and environment protection in general.

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