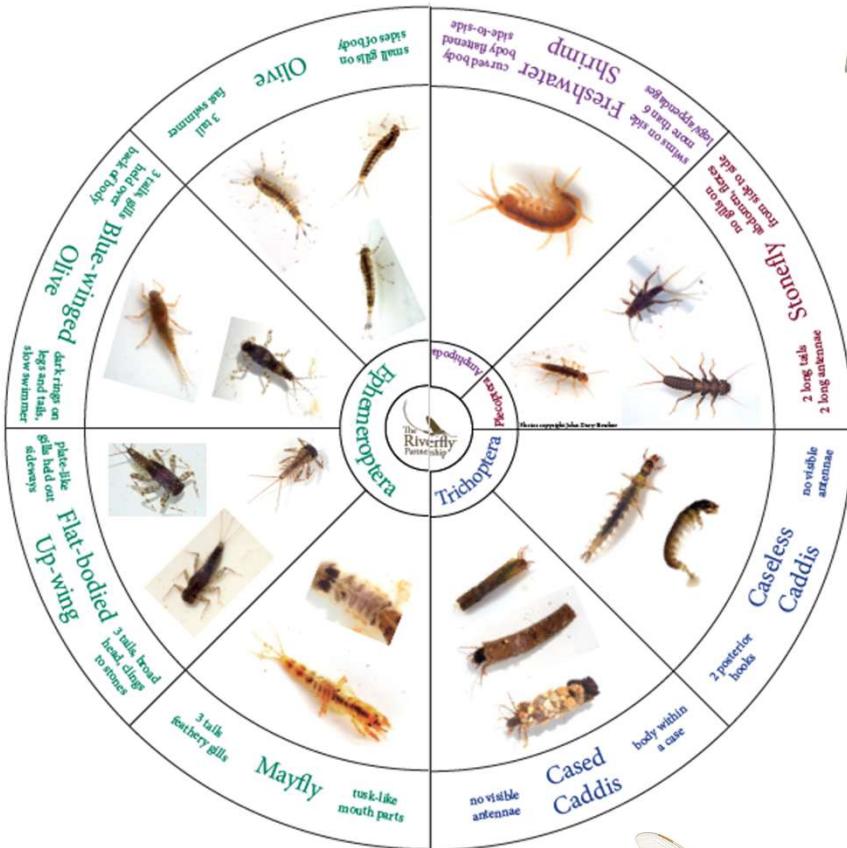


Riverfly surveying



Water scorpion



Mayfly larva



The best way to understand if the river is healthy is to survey for riverfly. Riverfly are insects. They fly above the river (like dragonflies), on top of the water (like water scorpions) or live under rocks at the bottom of the river (like mayfly larvae).



Dragonfly

Working with the national Riverfly Partnership, CRAG are setting up regular monitoring of riverfly at a few places along the river. After many years, we will be able to tell whether the health of the river is improving or getting worse.