A bug's life for model citizens

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Bees and ants have long been recognised as tireless workers, but new research suggests they can also behave like selfless model citizens.

A study has found that some bees and ants do operate in the best interests of the group to which they belong - creating a "superorganism" - and can even sacrifice their lives for the greater good of their community.

But scientists at the Universities of Edinburgh and Oxford found the same could not be said for other animal groupings, such as herds of bison or shoals of fish.
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**Rare Chinese vase may fetch £120k**

A rare Chinese vase worth £120,000 has been discovered in a box filled with bric-a-brac in Scotland. [Read](http://www.ayrshirepost.net/ayrshire-news/scottish-news/2009/03/23/a-bug-s-life-for-model-citizens-102545-23211405/)

**15 years for pensioner's killer**

A former French Foreign Legionnaire has been jailed for 15 years for abducting and killing an elderly Perthshire woman and burying her in a shallow grave. [Read](http://www.ayrshirepost.net/ayrshire-news/scottish-news/2009/03/23/a-bug-s-life-for-model-citizens-102545-23211405/)
5. Troon girl in Miss Scotland final