

New Forest Butterfly Transect Group – Week 22

Total count slightly higher than Week 21 at 767, a density of 10.88 butterflies/km. This is the highest per km since 2013, largely due to increase in 'Whites' (including Brimstone).

Nearly half of the recorded Small Heath were seen at Fields Heath, many of these were pairing.

Fourteen different species at Mockbeggar, twelve at Fields Heath & ten at Hasley.

Grayling still being recorded along five routes including our new Vales Moor transect.

Transect	Count	Transect	Count
Acres Down	7	Janesmoor Plain	8
Badminston	37	Keeping Marsh	6
Barton Common	22	Kings Copse	19
Beaulieu Heath	20	Lepe	28
Blackwater	4	Mockbeggar	120
Breamore	92	Normandy Marsh	12
Broadley	13	Perrywood Ivy	26
Dibden Bottom	2	Pignal	7
Fields Heath	94	Pondhead	2
Frohawk	7	Pondhead Wood	21
Godshill	12	Rockford	15
Hasley	25	Standing Hat	4
Hawkhill	12	Studland Common	56
Holmsley	23	Vales Moor	4
Ibsley	15	Warren Farm	51
Janesmoor	3		

Species	Count	Species	Count
Speckled Wood	169	Peacock	4
Meadow Brown	148	Holly Blue	2
Small White	92	Clouded Yellow	1
Small Heath	76	Silver-washed Fritillary	1
Large White	68	Painted Lady	1
Green-veined White	51		
Brimstone	40		
Gatekeeper	33		
Red Admiral	19		
Small Copper	17		
Comma	16		
Common Blue	15		
Grayling	9		
Small Tortoiseshell	5		

Images – A Brimstone Gallery



Blackwater – Chris Humphries



Frohawk – Keith Brook



Hawkhill – Sue Adams



Perrywood Ivy – Bob Annell



Perrywood Ivy Jean Annell



Wootton – Trevor Bumfrey



Keeping Marsh – Allan Orme