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## Wednesday 31st July

Judith Frank reports from Byway stretch between Stockbridge and Broughton (SU37354) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (2 "didn't settle long enough for me to be sure but seemed most likely to be hollies."), Peacock (1), Meadow Brown (2), Large White (9), Ringlet (9), Brimstone (1), Comma (2), Green-veined White (4), Gatekeeper (5). "On a day of only fleeting sunshine, I was interested to see what there might be on a section of byway through farmland not particularly managed for butterflies. A large patch of brambles yielded the most colour with the commas, gatekeepers and blues."



Speckled Wood



Comma

NT Owen reports from Roe Inclosure, Linwood (SU20086) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Large Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (3), Small Skipper (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (4 "Including one *Valezina* form female").



Silver-washed Fritillary f. *valezina*

Steve Benstead reports from Brading Down (SZ596867) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (5), Painted Lady (1), Clouded Yellow (1). "Overcast but warm".

Gary palmer reports from Barton Common (SZ249931) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (3), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (20), Gatekeeper (35), Small Copper (1), Common Blue (1), vapourer moth (1 Larval "using poplar sapling"), peppered moth (1 Larval "using alder buckthorn"), buff tip moth (49 Larval "using mature willow"). "a short walk after work late afternoon found the above."



Vapourer larva



Peppered Moth larva



Buff-tip larva

Gary palmer reports from Newland Manor Milford on Sea (SZ287933) where the following observations were made: Brimstone moth (1 Larval). "Found this afternoon whilst working in customers garden."



Brimstone Moth larva

J-C Talbot reports from Stockbridge Down (SU376349) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Brown Argus (4), Chalkhill Blue (60 "Est."), Comma (8), Common Blue (12), Gatekeeper (12), Green-veined White (1), Large White (6), Marbled White (23), Meadow Brown (20), Peacock (16), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (8), Small Blue (7), Small Skipper (12), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Small Heath (2), Small Copper (1 "?"), Speckled Wood (2), Gatekeeper (0). "Strong SW wind Butterflies keeping low Many butterflies feeding on common herb Marjoram".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Common Blue (1 "Male - basking in long grass"), Gatekeeper (11 "Feeding on Fleabane and Ragwort"). "Rain overnight and cloudy weather today seems to have depleted butterfly numbers."

## Tuesday 30th July

Ron Stephens reports from Roberts Road, Aldershot (SU875503) where the following observations were made: Amphipyra (1 "resting in garden shed"). "I had the moth verified using the Open University's iSpot website."



Copper Underwing

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (1 Larval "possibly the last in my garden; at least 106 have pupated & all but a few emerged in my garden").

Gary Palmer reports from Shirley Holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Large White (3), Small White (6), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1), Small Copper (1), Common Blue (2), Purple Hairstreak (1), Red Admiral (1), Gatekeeper (14), Meadow Brown (21), Marbled White (2), Large Skipper (4), Small Skipper (12), Essex Skipper (1). "A walk around the garden mid afternoon found the above".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "Feeding on Fleabane"), Large White (3 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Common Blue (3 "2 Males plus 1 fresh Female."), Gatekeeper (21 "Feeding on Fleabane, Ragwort, Buddleia & periwinkle Wallflower").

## Monday 29th July

Chris Lycett reports from Monks walk (SU604024) where the following observations were made: Comma (10), Holly Blue (2), Gatekeeper (6), Small White (10), Speckled Wood (2).

Steve Collier reports from Freshwater Military Road IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Glanville Fritillary (1).

Nick Lawrence reports from Noar Hill (SU739319) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1), Dark Green Fritillary (2), Marbled White (5), Large Skipper (2), Small Skipper (4), Small Heath (1), Meadow Brown (10), Common Blue (2). "I visited Noar Hill after work at 5.30 and was surprised to see two dark green fritillaries as I walked up thru the pits and one Chalkhill Blue on my way back down."



Chalkhill Blue

T Marsh reports from Colbury (SU347090) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (1), Ringlet (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1).

T Marsh reports from North Deer Leap (SU344093) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (2 "light breeze"), Small Skipper (8), Gatekeeper (10), Ringlet (12), Marbled White (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (8 "inc 1 female"), Small White (2), Chalkhill Blue (1).

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature Reserve (SU365152) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (9 "6m warmth in sun light breeze"), Small Skipper (1), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Ringlet (1).

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature Res (SU366149) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Gatekeeper (1). "Stoned track leading from rail crossing to decking".

Hazel Pratt reports from Stockbridge Down (SU374364) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "Male"), Chalkhill Blue (100 "A conservative estimate"), Comma (1), Dark Green Fritillary (6), Gatekeeper (2), Large White (50), Marbled White (8), Meadow Brown (15), Peacock (8), Red Admiral (3), Small Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (10), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Speckled Wood (1).

Anne McCue reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Green-veined White (4), Speckled Wood (6), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (4). "1520".

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (11), Essex Skipper (8), Large White (1), Small White (2), Green-veined White (3), Purple Hairstreak (1), Small Copper (8), Comma (12), Speckled Wood (13), Grayling (51), Gatekeeper (26), Meadow Brown (1). "1535".

Richard Symonds reports from Straits Inclosure (SU801400) where the following observations were made: Large White (29), Small White (40), Green-veined White (7 "Positively identified"), Meadow Brown (81), Ringlet (32 "Including one ab. arete"), Gatekeeper (8), Purple Hairstreak (23), Common Blue (1), Small Copper (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (120), White Admiral (12), Peacock (10), Red Admiral (1), Purple Emperor (1), Small Skipper (3), Large Skipper (1). "Paid a visit to Alice Holt Forest from Cornwall to see the Purple Emperor with my father. The weather was cloudy with sunny intervals and the odd very light shower, the temperature was 20 degrees. Numbers of Silver Washed Fritillaries were very good, the numbers seen being the best for me in Straits Inclosure since 2010. The few White Admirals that were flying were quite battered. My total number of Purple Hairstreaks seen was my best ever, with 6 flying around one of the first Oaks encountered on entering the main track. Others were flying quite low on other Oaks further along. Saw a single Purple Emperor flying around the top of the sallows by the first deer tower at 12.00 which then flew further back into the woods to reappear at 12.05 where it swooped down quite low then ascended the trees once more and flew along the edge of the ride adjacent to the deer tower. Highlight was seeing a Ringlet with its characteristic cream eye spots replaced with faint white dots ab. arete, as others have also seen recently. I managed to get an underside and upperside view of this specimen, however due to the absurd Forestry Commission's copyright photography restrictions I am unable to share these photos on the internet."

Richard Symonds reports from Goose Green Inclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU806415) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Meadow Brown (10), Ringlet (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (7), Purple Emperor (4), Purple Hairstreak (1). "Arrived at Goose Green to look for the Purple Emperor at around 14.10. At first I did not see any activity around the Spanish Chestnut tree until at 14.20 a male took off and flew over the road and returned once more. Further activity from the same individual occurred at 14.25 and 14.27, including when with a gust of wind blowing some dead leaves about, it gave chase thinking it was something invading its territory and landed on a nearby tree. At 14.30 3 males suddenly appeared from over the road in an aerial fight, before one settled on a tree and the other 2 continued to fly on elsewhere. Each of the two Emperors remaining sat motionless on each of their trees until there was activity at 14.35 and 14.37. As one male took flight past the other male, it gave chase, with both in the air chasing each other at 14.38, 14.39 and 14.45. We left shortly afterwards as a dark cloud approached threatening a heavy shower."

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (4 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (1 "Feeding on Fleabane"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Common Blue (2 "Males - disputing patch of long grass"), Gatekeeper (24 "Feeding on Fleabane, Marjoram, Ragwort, etc").

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (2), Ringlet (3), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (1), Large White (1).

Julie Cox reports from edge of field near Griggs Green (SU8332) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "Warm late afternoon, not seen here before.").

## Sunday 28th July

Mike Wildish reports from Upping Copse West (SU375425) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Green-veined White (1), Gatekeeper (8), Ringlet (6), Meadow Brown (4).

Stephanie DibdenStephanie Dibden reports from own garden Bishopstoke Eastleigh (466196) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "seen in own garden, settled on foliage for approx 3 mins"). "I am no expert on butterflies but at first glance was larger than Red Admiral. Checked in Collins Butterfly Guide, could not have been anything else."

Ashley Whitlock reports from King John Hill (SU749380) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Gatekeeper (100), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (25), Silver-washed Fritillary (20), Red Admiral (1), Purple Emperor (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (5), Comma (1), Comma (0), Brimstone (20), Large White (50), Small White (25), Green-veined White (5), Purple Hairstreak (4), Small Skipper (25), Large Skipper (3). "Not the perfect day to visit a new site for his majesty, however the weather wasn't too bad, the sun shone at the right time for the Emperor at Kings John Hill, as I espied one flying over the tops of a tall Ash tree, at (1115) which is the normal time I see them oak edging. The wood sits on a very steep slope up to a possible 'new' assembly point, which will need investigating in the future. There is plenty of woodland, and very good fallow content in and around the area, which would need a whole day to look at in the right weather, but only being a short distance from Alice Holt Forest this site probably has just as much Emperor potential as Alice itself."



Small Skipper



Gatekeeper



King John Hill

Ashley Whitlock reports from Alice Holt Forest (SU807416) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (9). "A quick visit to Alice Holt the last time in 2013 probably, the weather wasn't great with very cool cloudy conditions mainly, but when the sun did shine then it was for long periods, and the temperature really shot up. At Abbotts Wood Inclosure I saw (4) males oak edging at 1200, near to the small car-park, another was seen flying north at 1215, another a minute later at 1216 oak edging towards the car-park, another male at 1232, near to the cross-ways, then another male at 1240 seen flying onto an oak sprig at the 'T' Junction on the main ride. There was one male on station at Alice Holt Forest (1) and two across the road doing battle. I think it was far too breezy at Alice Holt One as this is the highest point in the wood. There wasn't any males at other assembly points except Goose Green where only two were seen occasionally chasing down the wayleaves at 1342, despite the cooler cloudier conditions. I've noticed this year there are several Assembly Points not occupied, yet there has been far more activity in the wood, with well over (30) males seen on a good day a few weeks ago. There certainly hasn't been this many up at the Assembly points, which suggests to me there must be other Assembly Points we don't know about, or many males don't visit these sites?"

Ian Pratt reports from Arretton Down (SZ536872) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1000 "Butterflies everywhere"), Meadow Brown (10).

T Marsh reports from South Deer Leap (SU355078) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (9 "Cloudy 10 am with breeze Gatekeeper within Old Gorse"), Common Blue (1), Keeled Skimmer (1 "Pair mating").

T Marsh reports from SO16 9RD (SU386150) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Brimstone (1).

Andy Bolton reports from Spier's Copse, Sherborne St. John (SU637554) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (53 "really abundant - best site I've seen for these this season. About 60% were female, many were in shady areas looking for suitable egg laying places on tree trunks."), White Admiral (6), Purple Hairstreak (2), Peacock (10), Comma (4 "very lively and combative"), Red Admiral (2), Large Skipper (3), Small Skipper (2), Speckled Wood (3), Ringlet (27), Gatekeeper (8), Large White (7), Small White (9), Green-veined White (3).

Andy Bolton reports from footpath nr Recreation ground, Sherborne St. John (SU628555) where the following observations were made: Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Copper (1).

Mike Gregory reports from Noah's Lake/Alver Valley (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (9), Gatekeeper (127), Meadow Brown (39), Small Skipper (59), Essex Skipper (6), Large White (6), Marbled White (11).

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park Buddleja collection (SU368388) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Very battered, hindwings mostly missing, but still gliding effortlessly"), Large White (30), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (2 "Both immaculate"), Peacock (67 "Highest numbers for many years"), Red Admiral (4), Small White (12 "Preferring the lavender"), Large Skipper (1). "Preferred Buddleja cultivars included 'Lochin', 'Border Beauty', and 'Fascination'."

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Caesar's Camp (SU830492) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (10), Large White (0).

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Caesar's Camp (SU830492) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (10), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (2), Small Copper (1), Grayling (20).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "male"), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (2), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (2), Large White (4), Small White (7), Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed in daylight"), Large Yellow Underwing (1 "disturbed in daylight"). "in my garden".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery (east), Gosport (main paths only) (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (20), Large Skipper (1), Brimstone (1 "female"), Large White (5), Green-veined White (2), Small White (10), Common Blue (7), Holly Blue (3), Meadow Brown (154 "including mating pairs"), Gatekeeper (78), Marbled White (12), Speckled Wood (7), Silver Y Moth (2 "disturbed in daylight"), Six-spot Burnet (5). "1230".

Paul Harfield reports from Stephens Castle Down (SU5620) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5 "4 male & 1 female"), Green-veined White (5), Small White (8), Common Blue (7 "1 female & 6 male"), Marbled White (22), Gatekeeper (34), Meadow Brown (16), Ringlet (12), Large White (7), Essex Skipper (4), Small Skipper (27), Large Skipper (1), Brown Argus (1), Small Heath (1), Dark Green Fritillary (3 "2 female & 1 male"), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (8). "Seen between 8.30 and 12.30 in slightly cooler conditions than of late with cloud and a breeze."

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (5 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (7 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (1 "Feeding on Fleabane"), Meadow Brown (1 "Female - in long grass"), Common Blue (1 "Male - in long grass"), Silver Y (2 "Flushed from Lavender"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Comma (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Gatekeeper (25 "Feeding on Ragwort, Fleabane, Marjoram, hebe etc").

Andy Stocker reports from Whitehill (SU786346) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1 "First for the garden, dispersing from local colonies"), Gatekeeper (4), Large Skipper (2), Large White (7), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (2), Small Copper (2), Brimstone (1), Ringlet (2), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (1). "All in all a great selection of commoner species, has to be one of the best years I can recall in the garden for both butterflies and bees."

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1), Small White (3), Large White (1), Comma (1), Essex Skipper (1 "on fleabane. Never seen them before in the garden. Definite black antennae").

## Saturday 27th July

Sue Lambert reports from Garden (SU381164) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Peacock (14), Small White (9), Painted Lady (1), Bright-line Brown-eye moth (0). "The early sun resulted on a large number of butterflies on the buddlias and five Small Whites on the lavender. The first time I have seen any number of butterflies on my deep purple buddlia."

Steve Mansfield reports from Shalden (SU6942) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (1), Green-veined White (1), Small White (5), Ringlet (3), Meadow Brown (3). "On small patch of Rosebay Willowherb".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Havant Thicket (SU708103) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5), Marbled White (30), Gatekeeper (100), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), White Admiral (5), Purple Emperor (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (10), Brimstone (15), Large White (25), Small White (8), Green-veined White (5), Purple Hairstreak (2), Small Skipper (50), Large Skipper (5), Essex Skipper (5). "I wasn't

expecting to get out today as the weather forecast was bleak, but the weather was just fine with very little wind, and very warm temperatures, and was ideal Purple Emperor watching weather. I had not been to some parts of this site, which is very large indeed, and some parts of the wood to the south of the main wood are threatened in the future with a very large resevoir, which will engulf most of the area known as Staunton Country Park. I found one Purple Emperor sallow searching along a sallow thicket, heading south, quite late in the morning. This male was seen away from the main wood, along a track out of the Thicket. At the Assembly Point there was a Male on territory, at 1300 he was flying in and around his vista, but the weather looked a bit black on the horizon, so I left at 1330."



Havant Thicket



Peacock



Gatekeeper

Steve Mansfield reports from near Yarnhams, Froyle (SU735447) where the following observations were made: Small White (30), Gatekeeper (2), Small Skipper (2 "(or essex)"), Meadow Brown (5), Large White (2), Peacock (1). "Roadside/field edge with knapweed".

Steve Mansfield reports from Lower Froyle village pond (SU765441) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1 "Perched on duck-house"), Small White (0).

Steve Mansfield reports from Lower Froyle (The Anchor) (SU767438) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (3), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (2), Banded Demoiselle (1 "male by pond in car park").

Steve Mansfield reports from Alice Holt (Lodge Inclosure) (SU7942) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1 "At 798429"), Silver-washed Fritillary (15), Marbled White (4), Brimstone (5), Southern Hawker (1), Small Skipper (2).

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU622051) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Essex Skipper (2), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (18), Large White (3), Marbled White (8), Meadow Brown (7), Peacock (2), Small Skipper (2), Small White (20), Speckled Wood (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Boarhunt Flower Mill meadow (SU607092) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (400 Larval "Small nests everywhere on recently mown nettles"). "Meadow mown about a fortnight ago; few butterflies, but spectacular numbers of 2nd - 3rd instar Tortoiseshell larvae on the regenerating nettles."

Steve Mansfield reports from Lower Froyle (SU751448) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1 "Rescued from road").



White Admiral



White Admiral

Mark tutton reports from Havant thicket (SU718105) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "First of the second brood"), Large White (7), Marbled White (26), Peacock (4), Purple Emperor (2), Purple Hairstreak (7), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), White Admiral (4).

Mark tutton reports from Staunton country park (SU715098) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (4), Peacock (2), Purple Emperor (1), Purple Hairstreak (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), White Admiral (2).

Mark tutton reports from Bellics copse (SU706100) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (4), Purple Emperor (1 "Female"), Purple Hairstreak (5), Peacock (2), White Admiral (1). "Spent some time in the Havant thicket area and for the first time in many years there were far too many butterflies to count so I only recorded the less common species. Meadow browns, skippers whites and particularly Gatekeepers were out in their hundreds and probably thousands. Any view across open grass would be accompanied by dozens of browns and whites flitting across the top of the grass. Out of interest I did count skippers and gatekeepers on a very short section of very productive fleabane and in approximately ten metres counted an incredible 76 Gatekeepers and 34 Smessex Skippers. Definitely a reminder of how I remember butterfly numbers in my youth."

Mark Rolfe reports from Peak Lane, Stubbington (SU5504) where the following observations were made: Large White (400), Small White (400), Gatekeeper (8), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (2).

Jenny Simmonds reports from Highgate Lane, Farnborough (SU876564) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (3), Small White (1), Peacock (2), Peacock (0).

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU840360) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Comma (2), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (6), Red Admiral (1), Small White (12).



Comma



Painted Lady

Mike Wildish reports from Watson Acre, Andover (SU351459) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Large White (2), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (9), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "All these on my Buddleja in the garden during the afternoon before the rain arrived. Note eruption of Peacocks. Best show of butterflies I've had for over 2 years - makes a change from watching rain dripping off the flowers."

J.M.Bennett reports from Chalton (SU740180) where the following observations were made: Queen of Spain Fritillary (1 "Positively identified as a Queen of Spain Fritillary. "). "This particular butterfly was spotted on the outskirts of Chalton, Hampshire; in a forested area."

Ed Merritt reports from Lower Test (SU358146) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Common Blue (1), Meadow Brown (22), Gatekeeper (30), Comma (2), Large Skipper (1), Small White (2), Small Skipper (2), Large White (1), Speckled Wood (2). "A 15 minute survey for the Big Butterfly Count."

Ed Merritt reports from Testwood Lakes (SU349153) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Brimstone (1), Small White (5), Peacock (10), Meadow Brown (2), Speckled Wood (1), Comma (5), Common Blue (1). "A 15 minute survey for the Big Butterfly Count."



Ed Merritt reports from Itchen Valley Nature Reserve (SU452157) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (5), Meadow Brown (6), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Green-veined White (5), Lesser Cream Wave (1), Blue-bordered Carpet (1). "A 15 minute survey for the Big Butterfly Count."



Small Tortoiseshell



Lesser Cream Wave



Blue-bordered Carpet

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2), Comma (2), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (1), Small White (5), Small Skipper (1). "in my garden".

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(south) (SU545095) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (2 "male & female"), White Admiral (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (17), Ringlet (50 "approx"), Marbled White (1), Peacock (1), Purple Hairstreak (1), Small Skipper (11), Large Skipper (2), Gatekeeper (14), Green-veined White (5), Large White (4), Small White (4), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (8), Brimstone (5 "3 males & 2 females"). "1140 & 1630".

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(north) (SU545105) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (2), White Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (7 "ovipositing"), Gatekeeper (27), Ringlet (31), Meadow Brown (17), Small Skipper (7), Large Skipper (4), Green-veined White (7), Large White (3), Brimstone (4 "3 males & 1 female"), Small White (1), Peacock (5), Red Admiral (1), Marbled White (1), Speckled Wood (1). "1245; heartbroken that the White Admirals have not recovered from last year's crash".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (25 "Feeding on Ragwort, Marjoram, Fleabane etc"), Silver Y (1 "Flushed from Lavender"), Common Blue (1 "Male - basking in long grass"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (5 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Large White (6 "Feeding on Buddleia - pair mating"), Meadow Brown (1 "In long grass"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (3 "Feeding on Fleabane and Lavender").

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Meadow Brown (2).

## Friday 26th July

Mike Wildish reports from Smannell Road (SU375485) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (6), Green-veined White (1), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (4), Ringlet (1), Gatekeeper (7), Essex Skipper (7).

Mike Wildish reports from Little London (SU375495) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (9), Ringlet (2), Meadow Brown (15), Marbled White (1), Large White (2), Small White (11), Green-veined White (2).

jim mith reports from binswood common (SU761361) where the following observations were made: Peacock (17 "nectering on blackberry flowers"), Holly Blue (1), Comma (3), Marbled White (5). "There were numerous gatekeepers, ringlets and meadow browns."

Alan Butterworth reports from Hordle (SZ266957) where the following observations were made: Large White (34 "Nectaring on Buddleia and Verbena"), Peacock (18 "Nectaring on Buddleia and Verbena"), Small Skipper (2), Gatekeeper (5). "I have never had so many peacocks in the garden, a continual stream for most of the day, along with many large white. Buddleia and Verbena proving their worth."

Simon Duffield reports from Grateley (SU277420) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Valezina form drinking from our garden pond (with photo)").

Silver-washed Fritillary f. *valezina*

Alan Thornbury reports from Browdown North (SZ583995) where the following observations were made: Grayling (12), Gatekeeper (17), Meadow Brown (25), Small Copper (2), Common Blue (3). "Grayling were mainly occupying area adjoining main heathland, where heather is more thinly spread on bare/stony ground (perhaps an area recovering from previous heathland fire)".



Grayling



Grayling

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Common (SZ304953) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (50 "Underestimates. By far the commonest butterfly"), Peacock (3), Marbled White (5 "Just a few worn ones left"), Meadow Brown (14), Large White (6), Small White (2). "Hot sunny day, gatekeepers were all over the common, but marbled whites and meadow browns have declined".

Mervyn Grist reports from Combe Wood (SU354595) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (6), Essex Skipper (5), Large Skipper (2), Brimstone (1), Large White (1), Small White (4), Red Admiral (2), Purple Emperor (1), Small Tortoiseshell (0), Peacock (2), Comma (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (16), Marbled White (12), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (55), Small Heath (1), Ringlet (16). "Area two of our trek traversed Combe Wood (one of A. Whitlock's target sites for PEs). We looked at the top of every oak and waited near every Salix caprea tree and the last Sallow yielded one Purple Emperor. It flew around the top several times so was probably a male escort for a hidden female. Witnesses Annette Johnson, Graeme Davis and Mike Wildish. It was very close to the western edge of VC12. Further data from the trek was then reported to Wilts BC but no other PEs were recorded. Anyone going to Combe Wood will, like us, run the gauntlet of attacks by Horseflies/Clegs."

Roger Frampton reports from Wooton Copice, Holmsley (SZ245997) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (20 "Too many to count"), Dark Green Fritillary (5 "Faded, but still very active"), Essex Skipper (10 "Some may have been small skippers and visaversa"), Small Skipper (10 "Some may have been essex skippers and visaversa"), Gatekeeper (30), Green-veined White (3), Large Skipper (10), Large White (6), Marbled White (10), Meadow Brown (30), Peacock (7), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (20), Silver-washed Fritillary (10), Small White (10). "Noteable species missing - White Admiral and Speckled Wood - strange as both were there last year?".



Peacock



Large Skipper



Brimstone

peter gardner reports from froxfield hedegrow (SU717272) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (24), Large White (9), Gatekeeper (12), Small White (7), Small Skipper (5), Green-veined White (2), Peacock (5), Red Admiral (1), Large Skipper (1), Comma (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "surprising what you find just looking along the hedgerow, a very good selection of butterflies also caterpillars, these mostly small tortoiseshell we found five large groups on our walk, great hope for the future."



Meadow Brown



Large Skipper



Green-veined White

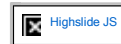
Andy Bolton reports from Stubbington Down (East side) (SU520570) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (23), Small White (26), Large White (3), Gatekeeper (7), Ringlet (4), Small Skipper (15), Peacock (1), Dark Green Fritillary (1).

Andy Bolton reports from The Warren, White Hill, Kingsclere (SU515566) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (96), Small Skipper (15), Small White (60 "suddenly a tremendous amount on the wing."), Gatekeeper (37 "Doing well here."), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Peacock (6 "Loving the ragwort nectar."), Comma (1), Brimstone (5), Dark Green Fritillary (4 "condition: 2 worn, 1 fair and 1 immaculate. A female seen egg laying on the east facing slope, not the lush west facing side. Lots of Hairy violet throughout the site, hopefully the species can establish here."), Green-veined White (5), Large White (4), Common Blue (3), Small Copper (3 "fresh"), Small Heath (2).

Andy Bolton reports from top of Watership down (SU494569) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (38), Small White (32), Large White (7), Green-veined White (14), Essex Skipper (1), Comma (2), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Dark Green Fritillary (1).

Andy Bolton reports from top of Watership down (SU494569) where the following observations were made: . "A very satisfying day's work, having recorded Dark Green Fritillary in 4 tetrads across the North Hampshire Downs. Amazing how they have taken advantage of the July sunshine to spread out, some probably from the colony at Old Burghclere."

Philippa Gordon reports from Abbotstone Down (SU580360) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8), Gatekeeper (40), Green-veined White (2), Large Skipper (40), Large White (20), Marbled White (20), Meadow Brown (40), Peacock (20 "All pristine condition"), Purple Emperor (2 "Female flew down and landed on tip of long grass in front of me whilst male circled her a few times then both flew circling up into the oaks. Amazing to see and even managed a photo - although not a great shot!"), Ringlet (30), Silver-washed Fritillary (12 "Including a beautiful Valezina - see photo"), Small Skipper (40), Small White (20), Speckled Wood (2).

Silver-washed Fritillary f. *valezina* Photo didn't arrive

Hazel Pratt reports from Caesar's Camp (SU830492) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (6), Grayling (4 "The first sighting of this season for me."), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (2), Silver-studded Blue (3), Small Skipper (3).

Michael Scoggins reports from Garden 73, Woodlands, Overton (SU513495) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "First time I have seen this species in my garden.").

Steve Collier reports from Devil's Chimney Area IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (2), Meadow Brown (16), Marbled White (2), Large Skipper (1), Small White (4).

Steve Collier reports from Totland IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Red Admiral (2), Comma (2), Gatekeeper (40), Meadow Brown (40), Large Skipper (30), Marbled White (10), Small White (10), Ringlet (5), Purple Emperor (1).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Comma (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Meadow Brown (1 "Basking in long grass"), Large White (4 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Silver Y (1 "Feeding on Marjoram"), Peacock (6 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (5 "Feeding on Flean").

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (1 "Basking in long grass"), Common Blue (2 "Both males, disputing patch of long grass"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Gatekeeper (34 "Feeding on buddleia, Fleabane, Hebe ragwort etc"). "Part 2 of entry for 26/7/13 - sorry I pushed "return" instead of "backspace"."

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU627234) where the following observations were made: Small White (8), Large White (15), Brimstone (2), Meadow Brown (15), Ringlet (18), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (4), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (5), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Skipper (1).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (1), Meadow Brown (1), Comma (1), Green-veined White (1), Small White (3), Large White (1).

## Thursday 25th July

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads west (SU713275) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (3), Large White (2), Peacock (3), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (4), Red Admiral (5), Ringlet (10), Small Skipper (7), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (12). "a short walk after tea".



Small Tortoiseshell larva



Ringlet



Red Admiral

Andy Bolton reports from Ashford Hill Woods & Meadows (SU564616) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (5), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (39), White Admiral (5), Purple Hairstreak (23). "The main sightings from the woodland rides today, White Admirals beginning to fade, Silver-washed Fritillaries in modest numbers, but Purple Hairstreak at their peak right now having recovered well from last year."

Richard Carpenter reports from Hill Head (SU5402) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1 "My first of the second brood").

Tim Graham reports from Hursley to Ampfield Woods (SU419245) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (1), Ringlet (12), Meadow Brown (10), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Large White (50 "All over borage crop and surrounding lawns"), Green-veined White (50 "All over borage crop and surrounding lawns"). "1 - 2 pm. 23 C. Full sunshine. Off normal transect."

Mark Tutton reports from Havant thicket (SU716106) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (500 "There were hundreds - sometimes five males pursuing one female"), Large Skipper (12), Large White (5), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (60), Peacock (4), Purple Emperor (3), Red Admiral (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Skipper (25), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (2).

Steve Collier reports from Newtown Nature Reserve IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (40), Meadow Brown (20), Marbled White (15), Large Skipper (6), Small Skipper (12), Wood White (1), Green-veined White (1), Small White (1), Ringlet (10), Burnett Moths (6).

David W Hunt reports from Our Garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (33 "Feeding on Buddleia, fleabane, marjoram, hebe etc"), Large White (5 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (4 "Feeding on Lavender"), Silver Y (1 "Feeding on Lavender"), Small Skipper (1 "Basking on grass"), Peacock (5 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Red Admiral (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Meadow Brown (1 "Basking in long grass"), Comma (1 "Feeding on Buddleia").

## Wednesday 24th July

Andy Barker writes: "Having seen Robert Guest's photo on Saturday of a Ringlet (ab. *arete*) with underside eye-spots reduced to white dots, we were pleased to come across one of our own on Sunday at Humbers Wood, near King's Somborne. The one we saw was rather worn (see photo), and was getting hassled by other Ringlets. My understanding is that prolonged hot weather can cause aberrations by over-heating pupae in exposed positions. If this is the case, perhaps we should be on the look out for more aberrations."

Ringlet ab. *arete*

Dave Pearson reports from Broughton Down (SU285323) where the following observations were made: [Silver-spotted Skipper](#) (2 "On the upper part of the Down"), Dark Green Fritillary (5), Chalkhill Blue (50), Marbled White (5), Meadow Brown (20), Small Heath (3). "Just a short visit to check on the sheep!"

Barry Collins reports from Havant Thicket (SU715106) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (14), Gatekeeper (200), Green-veined White (10), Large White (8), Marbled White (10), Meadow Brown (40), Peacock (7), Purple Emperor (2 "Seen at Bell's Copse (SU7010)"), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (20), Small Skipper (16), Small White (40), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), White Admiral (6). "I've been away on holiday in Ireland for the last 2 weeks. So I decided to have a bike ride through Havant Thicket to get my Purple Emperor fix for the year. I was not disappointed one flew around me a few times attracted to my white tea shirt and almost landed on me before flying into some willows, the other one landed high in an oak tree etc. This is the 4th consecutive year I have recorded this species at Bell's Copse SU7010."

Mark tutton reports from Havant thicket (SU715113) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (15), Large Skipper (8), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (35), Peacock (2), Purple Emperor (5 "Two females"), Purple Hairstreak (6), Silver-washed Fritillary (11), Small Skipper (22), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (2).

David Tinling reports from Browdown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (4 "flying in evening sunshine in the tops of the oak trees, two circling around one another"), White Admiral (1 "female photographed basking in evening sunshine in the oak copse"), Grayling (30 "photographed basking or taking nectar from bell heather in evening sunshine"), *Sitochroa palealis* BF1370 (3 "excellent close & very close photographs of one basking on bracken in evening sunshine; identification confirmed in earlier years by Stewart Swift from my photographs"). "1640-1910".

David Tinling reports from Haslar (north-west), Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Large White (2 "2nd brood males"), Small White (4 "2 males & 2 females, 2nd brood"), Green-veined White (2 "2nd brood male & female"), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2), Comma (7 "hutchinsoni"), Speckled Wood (1 "male"), Gatekeeper (1 "male"), Meadow Brown (1 "male"). "0945-1600, taking Buddleia nectar in my garden".

pete gardner reports from old winchester hill (SU659211) where the following observations were made: Peacock (15), Small White (6), Dark Green Fritillary (10), Gatekeeper (9), Meadow Brown (25), Ringlet (16), Chalkhill Blue (15), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Brimstone (13), Marbled White (28), Small Skipper (41), Small Heath (4), Comma (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Speckled Wood (1). "a very good day windy which kept the temp down a bit [thank goodness] but the butterflies kept flying just the same, kept being buzzed by dark greens, but I got one, we only walked around the first part."



Marbled White



Dark Green Fritillary



Chalkhill Blue

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1 "first of the second generation at this site"), White Admiral (8 "two females seeking egg laying sites"), Purple Hairstreak (2 "elusive this year"), Silver-washed Fritillary (20 "at least this number"). "Counted at lunch time break".

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "Male"), Small White (21), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (10), Speckled Wood (2), Ringlet (1), Peacock (1), Large Skipper (1). "Temperature 22 degrees."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (8), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (18), Marbled White (20), Gatekeeper (6), Ringlet (3), Common Blue (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Track near site of Hayling Railway Bridge (SU717038) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (8), Marbled White (4), Gatekeeper (5), Peacock (6), Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Walked from Havant Road layby following the path to Hayling Cycle track near the site of the old Hayling railway bridge. On one large Buddleia bush I saw 6 Peacocks, 3 Commas and a Small Tortoiseshell all feeding at once - a very colourful sight!"

Judith Frank reports from Stockbridge Down (east end) (SU385346) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (2 "I hope I have correctly distinguished between the Dark Green and Silver-washed fritillaries."), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Meadow Brown (8), Large White (6), Gatekeeper (7), Chalkhill Blue (8 "many more just ahead in more open area"), Large Skipper (3), Brimstone (1), Marbled White (8), Peacock (3), Small White (1). "There were many more butterflies than I managed to count in this small section of track extending a couple of hundred meters from the carpark. I was concentrating on trying to photograph the fritillaries so that I could identify them later."



Dark Green Fritillary



Silver-washed Fritillary



Small Skipper

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood (SU619127) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (9 "Several females, one testing honeysuckle, another feeding on duck poo at the edge of the pond"). "Very brief visit to monitor the wood's two Priority species. No Emperors in residence on the master trees, alas."

Mervyn Grist reports from Linkenholt Valley (SU360589) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (13), Essex Skipper (9), Large Skipper (1), Brimstone (1), Large White (1), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (4), Comma (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Marbled White (3), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (40), Ringlet (9). "These species found along area one of a trek in North-west Hants towards the Wiltshire border with Annette Johnson, Mike Wildish and Graeme Davis. The cooler morning reduced the skipping so it was easy to sort the Small from the Essex."

Steve Mansfield reports from Ackender Meadow, Alton (SU7038) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (3 "males"), Small Skipper (10), Marbled White (15), Peacock (2), Comma (1), Ringlet (5), Meadow Brown (20). "Private site - see comments on my records from 12/7/13 Evening visit 7 - 8pm (so numbers likely to be low as a result) - most were preparing for roost. All counts minimums."

Steve Collier reports from Ventnor Botanical Gardens IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (3), Large White (2), Small White (8).

Steve Collier reports from Steephill Cove IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Marbled White (13), Gatekeeper (10), Small Skipper (1), Small White (2), Burnett Moths (9).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (4 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (3 "Feeding on Buddleia and Ragwort"), Gatekeeper (25 "Feeding on Buddleia, Fleabane, Marjoram, Hebe etc").

## Tuesday 23rd July

b j marriott reports from New Forest north of Sway (SZ275995) where the following observations were made: Small Blue (1).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (12 "Several Females now seen. On Fleabane and Ragwort"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Large White (1 "Feeding on Everlasting Wallflower"), Small White (2 "Feeding on Fleabane").

John Roberts reports from holmsley ridge (SU218011) where the following observations were made: Grayling (23), Meadow Brown (28), Common Blue (36), Small Blue (6).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Silver-studded Blue (1), Ringlet (3), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (1), Large White (1), Small White (1).

Mark tutton reports from Creech wood (SU640112) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Comma (4), Essex Skipper (4), Gatekeeper (12), Large Skipper (5), Large White (2), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (50), Peacock (2), Purple Emperor (3), Purple Hairstreak (8), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (18), Silver-washed Fritillary (7), Small Skipper (22), White Admiral (2).

Mark tutton reports from Monarchs way (SU715121) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (5), Marbled White (8), Meadow Brown (30), Comma (2), Peacock (2), Purple Emperor (1), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (7), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Farley Mount (SU411293) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (12), White Admiral (1 "seen briefly in flight only"). "Also lots of marbled white, meadow brown, gatekeeper, small skipper at the same site (westernmost field beside road)."



Dark Green Fritillary

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Crab Wood (east of road) (SU436296) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (7), White Admiral (1 "seen briefly in flight").



Silver-washed Fritillary

peter gardner reports from havent thicket (SU763195) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (22), Ringlet (17), Small Skipper (4), Gatekeeper (8), Small White (8), Brimstone (6), Peacock (7), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Green-veined White (7), Speckled Wood (1), Purple Hairstreak (2), Purple Emperor (1), Large Skipper (1), Marbled White (2), Red Admiral (1). "a day divided into two parts starting clear ,very warm second half cloud covered, we think it confused the butterflies a bit, but at least we got a couple of good shots".





Large Skipper



Purple Emperor



Purple Hairstreak

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Udea ferrugalis BF1395 (1 "Rusty-dot Pearl disturbed in my garden in morning sunshine ").

Andy Bolton reports from A339 roadside, bridleway nr Pitt Hall farm (SU558572) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (10), Small Skipper (10), Gatekeeper (8), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Ringlet (7), Meadow Brown (23), Silver Y (6).

Andy Bolton reports from A339 Hannington turning (SU551579) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (5).

Steve Collier reports from Brook Chine & Pearl Centre Near Cliff tops IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (12), Gatekeeper (6), Meadow Brown (6), Small White (1), Burnett Moths (25).

Anne McCue reports from Pig Bush,New Forest (SU362050) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Silver-studded Blue (18), Grayling (1), Meadow Brown (13). "1020".

Anne McCue reports from Half Penny Green,New Forest (SU363034) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (66 "43 males & 23 females"), Gatekeeper (4), Meadow Brown (1), Silver Y Moth (3)

Anne McCue reports from Rowbarrow,New Forest (SU354043) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (3), Meadow Brown (20). "1200;the bracken has encroached badly and so there were no Silver-studded Blues which are usually here".

Anne McCue reports from Denny Lodge Inclosure,New Forest (SU347045) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (7), Brimstone (2 "females"), Purple Hairstreak (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (7 "including one Valezina"), Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (20), Meadow Brown (44), Ringlet (2). "1245".

Anne McCue reports from Woodfidley Passage,New Forest (SU342050) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "male & female"), Large White (1), Small White (2), Small Copper (1), Silver-studded Blue (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Gatekeeper (11), Meadow Brown (12), Silver Y Moth (3 "disturbed in daylight"), Beautiful Demoiselle (1). "1330".

## Monday 22nd July

T Mondragon reports from Spindrift (SZ487958) where the following observations were made: Common Emerald (1).

A Berryman reports from Warren Heath (su7758) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (4 "An astonishing local record."), Marbled White (42), Grayling (6), Purple Hairstreak (1). "Dark Green Frits are a particularly fantastic record for NE Hants."

Lynn Kelly reports from Lee on the Solent (SU5600) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "Briefly into the garden and off, a female Monarch. Wow.").

Matt Alcock reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU5029) where the following observations were made: Six-Spot Burnet (40 "Frequent"), Meadow Brown (100 "Abundant"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Rare"), Marbled White (50 "Frequent"), Peacock (1 "Rare"), Small Skipper (5 "Occasional"), Brimstone (6 "Concentrated in chalk scrape area of area North"), Chalkhill Blue (25 "Mainly on old downland"), Common Blue (2 "Rare"), Gatekeeper (3 "Rare"), Ringlet (50 "Frequent"). "Very hot, windy day".

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (15), Comma (7), Gatekeeper (59), Green-veined White (32), Large Skipper (11), Large White (13), Marbled White (5), Meadow Brown (68), Peacock (23), Purple Hairstreak (2), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (304), Silver-washed Fritillary (121 "one 'valesina'"), Small Skipper (93), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (8). "Butterflies recorded on today's transect".

Graham Dennis reports from College Copse (SU715548) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (1), Essex Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (5), Large Skipper (1), Large White (1), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (50), Peacock (1), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (15), Small Skipper (5), Speckled Wood (1), White Admiral (1).

Gary palmer reports from barrs ave new milton (SZ246956) where the following observations were made: common quaker (1 Larval). "found on oak in garden".



Common Quaker

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (3 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (3 "Feeding on various wild flowers. One pair mating."), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (5 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Comma (1 "Basking on Nettles"), Gatekeeper (16 "All but 2 are males. Feeding on Fleabane, Marjoram and Ragwort"), Meadow Brown (1 "Female. Feeding on Buddleia"), Silver Y Moth (3 "Feeding on Buddleia - From last nights "National Moth Night""), White Plume Moth (1 "Flushed from grass last night").



Small White

peter gardner reports from straits enclosure (SU781382) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1), Purple Hairstreak (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (18), White Admiral (11), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (3), Marbled White (1), Ringlet (30), Meadow Brown (20), Small Skipper (5), Comma (3), Brimstone (8). "a great day very good no of butterflies and great weather what more could you ask for".



White Admiral



Silver-washed Fritillary



Peacock

Mark Tutton reports from Southleigh Forest (SU742086) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (6), Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (17), Purple Emperor (3), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Skipper (9), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (1).

Janet Jones writes: "A short while ago I was in my Winchfield garden watching two purple hairstreak, I had my camera and was waiting for one of them to settle to try to get a picture. Then a large butterfly flew over and settled on a butterbur leaf close by. I just managed to get a photo before it flew off into the trees. I've attached the photo, not very good I'm afraid, but enough for id."



Purple Emperor

Andy Bolton reports from A339 roadside nr.Wolverton turning (SU551581) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (1), Small Skipper (1), Small White (2), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2).

David Tinling reports from St Mark's Churchyard, Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "basking on warm gravestone in evening sunshine"). "1945".

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west), Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Peacock (2 "very fresh summer brood"), Comma (5 "hutchinsoni"). "1345, taking Buddleia nectar in my garden".

Mark Tutton reports from Southleigh Forest (SU742086) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (6), Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (17), Purple Emperor (3), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Skipper (9), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (1).

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2 "females taking scabious nectar"), Small/Essex Skipper (76), Large White (1 "2nd brood male"), Small White (13 "2nd brood"), Small Copper (1 "2nd brood"), Common Blue (1 "2nd brood male"), Peacock (1 "summer brood, taking ragwort nectar"), Comma (1 "hutchinsoni"), Grayling (19), Marbled White (10), Gatekeeper (31), Meadow Brown (5), Silver Y Moth (1), Six-spot Burnet (5 "including mating pair, taking nectar from scabious & ragwort"), *Sitochroa palealis* BF1370 (1). "1615-1740".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(east), Gosport (SZ582992) where the following observations were made: Small/Essex Skipper (4), Small White (5 "2nd brood"), Grayling (1), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (3), Gatekeeper (2), Six-spot Burnet (1 "taking ragwort nectar"), Cinnabar (11 Larval). "1740-1800".

Steve Collier reports from Bonchurch Coastal Path Horseshoe Bay to Wheelers Bay IOW (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (6), Peacock (1), Marbled White (6), Wood White (5), Common Blue (2), Small White (2), Red Admiral (3), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (4), Burnett Moths (10).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (1), Essex Skipper (1), Large White (1), Small White (3), Meadow Brown (2). "in my garden".

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1), Grayling (3), Gatekeeper (6), Small Heath (1). "1740-1755".

## Sunday 21st July

Chris Cobb reports from Portsdown Hill (SU622067) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (7), Brimstone (5), Large White (17), Marbled White (30), Small Skipper (12), Ringlet (1), Chalkhill Blue (5), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2). "11:30 to 12:15".



Chalkhill Blue

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2 "Feeding on Fleabane"), Large White (5 "Mostly on Buddleia"), Small White (4 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Red Admiral (3 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (6 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Comma (1 "Basking on fence"), Gatekeeper (15 "Mostly still males only 2 females seen"), Meadow Brown (2 "1 very tatty male, 1 fresh female. ").



Small Skipper

Stuart Read reports from Mottistone Down (SZ4184) where the following observations were made: . "On a walk from Strawberry Lane to the Longstone, recorded numerous meadow browns, gatekeepers and marbled whites. The highlight, however, was a colony of 6-8 Graylings on bell heather near the Stone."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Creech Wood (SU637114) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Marbled White (50), Speckled Wood (2), Small Skipper (50), Comma (1), Peacock (6), Small White (3), Meadow Brown (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (11), Ringlet (50), Large White (15), White Admiral (11), Purple Hairstreak (3), Large Skipper (1), Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (15), Purple Emperor (9). "Went to one of my favourite Purple Emperor woods today, and it didn't disappoint, mind you it took a while before I actually espied one. At 0907 one male was seen oak edging along the wayleaves in the wood, and then it all went quite quiet, the next Emperor seen was at 1045 another male oak edging, and then another at roughly the same time coming through the wayleaves and out over the ride. 1220 another male seen oak edging, and by this time I had decided to walk up to the highest part of the wood, and here I was greeted by a magnificent female who promptly flew around my head and into a willow bush at 1220. Again at 1235 I saw a female egg-laying inside a willow deep within the bush itself, she did actually come out and flew around me, and then disappear into the willow again. Another male was seen willow searching at 1245, and a minute later a male and female were seen in a chase along the oak edges heading west. At 1250 I then saw a bit further up the ride a female searching around a willow obviously looking for a good area to lay her eggs."



Purple Emperor



Purple Emperor



Creech Wood

A Greenaway reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU510291) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "Nectaring"). "Nectaring approx. 1200hrs".



Painted Lady

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park buddleja borders (SU367388) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Large White (5), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (17), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Mark tutton reports from Havant thicket and bells copse (SU713108) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Comma (12), Essex Skipper (10), Gatekeeper (22), Large Skipper (17), Large White (4), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (50), Peacock (4), Purple Emperor (6 "One female"), Purple Hairstreak (17), Ringlet (25), Silver-washed Fritillary (14), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Skipper (32), Small White (13), Speckled Wood (21), White Admiral (11).

Paul Green reports from Ashford Hangers (SU733265) where the following observations were made: Clouded magpie (1 "Seen in the middle of the morning resting on a public footpath. According to my book of Hampshire moths, this is a fairly uncommon species (although found near this site). I have a photograph of it.").



Clouded Magpie

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720060) where the following observations were made: Pine Hawkmoth (1 "in bathroom having been attracted to light").

Gary palmer reports from Barton common (SZ251934) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Purple Hairstreak (1). "on a walk around the common with Trevor Barton we saw the first record of ringlet for the site plus a return of silver washed fritillary, species total of 19 for the site on the day."

Mark Rolfe reports from Flagpond Copse (SU5409) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Large Skipper (8), Small Skipper (20), Gatekeeper (12), Large White (5), Small White (8), Marbled White (42), Meadow Brown (25), Peacock (1), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (22), Speckled Wood (1), White Admiral (12).

Graeme Davis reports from Ridges Copse (SU385499) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (39), White Admiral (2), Brimstone (2), Peacock (5), Meadow Brown (8), Ringlet (5), Small White (4), Large White (1), Red Admiral (1). "There were likely to be more Silver-washed fritillary but I only had time to walk part of the track way. I could see other flying in the distance, but ran out of time to count them all!"



Silver-washed Fritillary



White Admiral

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs Lake/ Alver Valley (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "male"), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (128), Meadow Brown (85), Peacock (1), Large Skipper (7), Small Skipper (265), Essex Skipper (89), Large White (17), Marbled White (132).

Steve Mansfield reports from Tichborne Road Cress Beds, Alresford (SU5731) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (4), Comma (1), Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (3), Small White (40). "In addition, a suspected Golden Ringed Dragonfly briefly at the ford over the Itchen SU574317 - very yellow/black but too quick to eliminate Southern Hawker."

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (w) (SU6736) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Alton (west) (SU7038) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Meadow Brown (2), Small White (5). "In my small garden".

Steve Mansfield reports from Bishops Sutton Cress Beds (SU6032) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (30). "Three groups of 10+ small whites gathering salts on the mud."



Small White

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End/Botley footpath (SU5014) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (22), Gatekeeper (54 "including 2 mating pairs"), Small White (3), Green-veined White (1), Speckled Wood (8), Peacock (20), Comma (6), Ringlet (3), Red Admiral (1), Large White (1), Small Copper (1), Marbled White (7), Holly Blue (1), Small Skipper (26), Large Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (5). "Seen between 3pm and 5pm in hot sunshine. By far the best species count I have had along my local footpath, including 2 species not seen there before. Gatekeeper by far the most numerous."

Ian Pratt reports from Walters Copse (SZ429906) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (8). "White admirals a little worn, silver-washed fritillaries very fresh."

Dave Ryves reports from Garden in Burridge (SU514096) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1 "Garden first").

Andy Bolton reports from Tidgrove Warren, nr Overton (SU521541) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (108), Ringlet (28), Meadow Brown (210), Large Skipper (11), Small Skipper (45), Essex Skipper (4), Gatekeeper (21), Common Blue (1 "fresh male"), Small Copper (2 "mating pair"), Peacock (3), Red Admiral (2), Comma (1), Brimstone (5), Small White (10), Large White (8), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Green-veined White (1), Cinnabar (62 Larval).



Small Copper



Small Copper

Andy Bolton reports from Laverstoke Lane, nr Laverstoke (SU490469) where the following observations were made: White-letter Hairstreak (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1), Brimstone (1 "female"), Large White (3), Small White (8), Green-veined White (3), Meadow Brown (5), Udea prunalis (1 "on blackthorn"). "A very good view through bins of the White-letter Hairstreak in a thick hedge of Wych Elm. This was at 7.15pm, the end of another hot day!"



Udea prunalis

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature Res (SU362145) where the following observations were made: Golden Ring Hawker (0 "Resting on Decking").

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature Res (SU365148) where the following observations were made: Small White (15), Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Collier reports from IOW Zoo Sandown (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (2), Gatekeeper (4), Marbled White (1), Small White (8).

Anne McCue reports from Stockbridge Down (SU370346) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (34), Large Skipper (1), Brimstone (15 "8 males & 7 females"), Large White (5), Small White (10), Green-veined White (2), Chalkhill Blue (50), Red Admiral (3), Peacock (8), Comma (2), Dark Green Fritillary (14), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Marbled White (100), Gatekeeper (13), Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (5), Ringlet (26). "This was a HOS walk with many distractions so that many butterflies were not counted. The hill was alive with movement - beautiful to see."

M Blake reports from Mustang Avenue Nature Reserve (SU520091) where the following observations were made: High Brown Fritillary (1). (This is a Dark Green Fritillary - webmaster)



Dark Green Fritillary

## Saturday 20th July

Gary palmer reports from wootton coppice (SZ246995) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (23 "2 mating pairs"), Dark Green Fritillary (5 "1 mating pair"), Brimstone (2 "male"), Large White (3), Small White (1), Green-veined White (2), Ringlet (60), Meadow Brown (50), Gatekeeper (40), Marbled White (25), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (50), Large Skipper (30). "on a morning walk around the rides the above were seen."





Dark Green Fritillary



Dark Green Fritillary



Silver-washed Fritillary

Mrs E Mackeown reports from 31 Long Down (SU756237) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Small Copper (1). "These were the very few butterflies I saw today in my deliberately wild garden, between 14.00 and 14.15 hrs. In previous years I have seen many other species."

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU622050) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Essex Skipper (4), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (2), Large White (1), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (5), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (2), Small Skipper (4), Small White (6), Speckled Wood (1).

Ian Calderwood reports from Browndown North (SZ5899) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (5), Grayling (1), Large Skipper (2), Large White (2), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (5), Purple Hairstreak (3), Red Admiral (2), Small Skipper (11), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (1), Small White (5).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Peacock (5 "All fresh looking. Feeding on Buddliea."), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Feeding on Buddliea"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddliea"), Small White (2 "Feeding on Buddliea and Everlasting Wallflower"), Large White (1 "Feeding on Buddliea"), Small Skipper (2 "Mostly basking on grass with a short feed on Buddliea"), Gatekeeper (7 "3 feeding on Fleabane and Everlasting Wallflower. 4 clustered on a Cypress bush. ").

jim smith reports from alice holt{lodge inclosure} (SU798428) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1).



Purple Emperor

jim mith reports from alice holt forest(straits enclosure) (SU799407) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (3 "2 males 1 female laying eggs on willow"), Large Skipper (1).

Alan Thornbury reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (2 "Males"), White Admiral (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (10), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (3), Red Admiral (2), Small Skipper (12), Marbled White (2), Large White (4), Ringlet (27), Meadow Brown (15). "The PE's were seen along the main track during a mid-morning visit. The first was flying around oaks close to the entrance gate before swooping low several times and landing briefly on the gravel track. The second was already down feeding on excrement at the edge of the track close to the stream crossing, and stayed for 10 minutes. Photos of both below."



Purple Emperor



Purple Emperor



Purple Emperor

Ashley Whitlock reports from Southleigh Forest (SU744087) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5), Marbled White (5), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (40), Silver-washed Fritillary (13), Purple Emperor (4), Large White (5), Small White (3), Green-veined White (3), Purple Hairstreak (3), Small Skipper (2). "Working on a saturday is not good for the Purple Emperor sole, however I ventured to Southleigh Forest again after last saturday's venture there. I arrived in the wood about 1400, and immediatly saw a Male on station flying around his vista, he was quite active flying in and around the large oak he was using. Despite the windier conditions and clouider parts of the sky. I did see another male out of the corner off my eye, on another oak but they never seemed to meet, except once when they did clash there was a good chase at 1500. I had walked a fair length of the main ride and was quite impressed with the Sallow content of the wood, and t he very mature trees. I did see another male in another vista further along, but he was just passing through I think. I left the main arena, and started walking towards the entrance of the wood when a female came and 'buzzed me'she was a magnificiant speciman, flying quite close to the ground and flying like the clappers along the ride. I suspect she was trying to get away from an amourous male there abouts."



Southleigh Forest

Andrew Brookes reports from Great Fontley Farm (SU551091) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (8), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (2), Large White (1), Marbled White (4), Meadow Brown (5), Peacock (1), Ringlet (11), Small Skipper (8), Small White (6).

Mark Tutton reports from Alice Holt (SU808418) where the following observations were made: Comma (22), Green-veined White (7), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (50), Purple Emperor (54), Purple Hairstreak (31), Red Admiral (4), Ringlet (65), Silver-washed Fritillary (36), Small Skipper (6), Large Skipper (11), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (4), White Admiral (14).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Ringlet (5 "Probably more; at least 2 were the ab. arete form."), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (1).



Ringlet ab. arete

Stuart Read reports from Albany Prison (SZ492902) where the following observations were made: . "I walked across the grassy area in front of Albany Prison late this afternoon and counted over 150 small skippers. There are everywhere and must number in the thousands on this site. Marbled Whites are also out in force. The field was, I think, once a football pitch, but it now supports a good range of flora and butterflies."

Jon Crouch reports from Ashurst Bridge, Nr Southampton (SU348121) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "It's the only Butterfly that resembles what I saw. I have never seen one before looked tropical and could not find an exact picture in any of my books."), "It had long oval shaped wings, slightly larger than a peacock etc. with longer but comparatively narrow wings. It was brilliant red with black veins and curved around the end was a fairly wide band of jet black with light spots. It looked like a tropical butterfly that might be seen in a butterfly farm. My first thought was a Monarch but in the books these look orange rather than red. However, some on the internet did look more red than orange (not as red as the one I saw) and I'm certain that this is what it must have been. Very exciting!"

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU623224) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (15), Ringlet (5), Green-veined White (1), Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Small White (24), Large White (11), Small Skipper (3), Marbled White (1), Gatekeeper (6), Peacock (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (4). "Scarlet Tiger 2".

Chris Rose reports from Old Down Wood (SU659331) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Maleok").

Chris Rose reports from Old Down Wood (SU659331) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Comma (3), Dark Green Fritillary (3), Gatekeeper (9), Green-veined White (3), Large Skipper (4), Large White (63 "all over the place, this was probably a conservative count"), Meadow Brown (78 "Largest count I have had here"), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (36 "Another good count"), Small White (25), Speckled Wood (6), White Admiral (4 "A first for me on my patch"). "Lots of flying butterflies despite the slightly cooler conditions. The White Admirals were a nice treat, the Dark Greens frustrating as they would not settle. Photos and details at <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>."

Graeme Davis reports from Augusta Park (SU372478) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Meadow Brown (8).

Graeme Davis reports from Woodhouse Farm Track (SU377490) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Meadow Brown (5).

Steve Mansfield reports from Ackender Wood, Alton (SU704387) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (5), Marbled White (2). "All along short stretch of open ride."

Paul Harfield reports from My Garden (SU497148) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Skipper (1 "The first time I have had this species in the garden"), Holly Blue (1), Brimstone (1 "male").

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1), Essex Skipper (1), Meadow Brown (2), Large White (1), Small White (1), Gatekeeper (1). "in my garden".

Roger Pendell reports from Rotherlands LNR (SU767127) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (10), Small White (2), Large White (11), Brimstone (1), Speckled Wood (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1).

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

## Friday 19th July

Mike Wildish reports from Bawksbury (SU345445) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (13), Small White (2), Green-veined White (2), Meadow Brown (19), Marbled White (14), Gatekeeper (2), Essex Skipper (1).

Terry Hotten reports from Cove (SU860560) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1 "2nd generation"). "Circling camellia which is standard behaviour for my holly blues."

Ian Calderwood reports from Frater (SU602031) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Large Skipper (2), Common Blue (1), Large White (3), Purple Hairstreak (1), Meadow Brown (18), Small Skipper (15), White Admiral (1).

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Common (SZ304953) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (33), Meadow Brown (12), Gatekeeper (26), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Ringlet (6), Large Skipper (16), Small Skipper (6), Large White (6). "Very hot and sunny again, but fairly strong wind."

Graeme Davis reports from Folly to Andover Hospital Footpath (SU353465) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (1), Ringlet (2), Large White (1). "Lots of fairly established elm trees here, quite a few in the sun too. May be worth checking for white letter for those in the know".

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Basking on Patio"), Large White (3 "On Everlasting Wallflower and Buddliea - See notes"), Small White (3 "On Everlasting Wallflower and Buddliea"), Peacock (2 "Both on Buddliea and fresh looking"), Small Skipper (1 "In long grass"), Gatekeeper (7 "6 males, 1 Female. In long grass and on Lavender"). "Note on Large Whites. I was at Titchfield Haven NNR this morning. There was a steady but light stream of mostly Large Whites with some Small being blown inland from the sea on the easterly breeze. There were good numbers of both on the Western Trail. Also seen were Marbled Whites, Small Skippers, Comma, Peacock, Gatekeeper and Meadow Brown."

Peter Gammage reports from Havant Thicket (SU717109) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (2), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1), Marbled White (15), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Brimstone (1). "one emperor "edging" half way up the ride towards horsefoot hill a second very fresh looking individual loitering amongst the fallow between 13:15 & 13:30 at the top of horsefoot hill."

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Meadow Brown (7), Marbled White (8), Ringlet (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large Skipper (2). "Very hot temperature was 27 degrees."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (7), Large White (1), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1 "Female"), Meadow Brown (15), Marbled White (16), Comma (1), Large Skipper (1).

Ian Pratt reports from Shalcombe Down (SZ382855) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (80 "Lots of very good condition butterflies"), White Admiral (3), Red Admiral (1), Small Skipper (3), Marbled White (12), Large White (5), Ringlet (5), Small White (2).

s smith reports from hurst castle (SZ318897) where the following observations were made: spotted burnet (5), argent (4). "There were a large number of the burnets. I am a beginner and cant tell which is which from the data base info I saw the argents last friday too, walking the sea wall from lymington to keyhaven".

Paul Harfield reports from Hilsea Lines (SU657044) where the following observations were made: Small White (8), Speckled Wood (5), Green-veined White (1), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2), Small Skipper (2). "Seen between 9.45 and 11.15 in hot and sunny conditions. Whilst looking for White Letter Hairstreak, none found."

mark swann reports from bentley wood (SU270283) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (30 "at least 30 seen only 1 female"), Purple Hairstreak (100 "after only seeing singles a big surge in no.s today with 15 seen on one muddy puddle"), Silver-washed Fritillary (50 "inc 1 valenzina").

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Comma (2), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "male"), Gatekeeper (17), Marbled White (15), Meadow Brown (22), Small Skipper (13), Large Skipper (4), Large White (2), Small White (1), Green-veined White (2), six-spot burnet (7). "The above seen in the garden today by midday."

Gary palmer reports from Barton on sea (SZ244932) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (3), Gatekeeper (2), Large White (1), Small White (1), Purple Hairstreak (1). "Above noted in a garden late afternoon, of note the purple hairstreak was settling on lilly pads on the pond."

Gary palmer reports from long meadow barton on sea (SZ244931) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Seen egg laying on nettle by streamside."

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Comma (2), Purple Hairstreak (1 "A male, which remained on the ground for several minutes, giving the best close-up views I've ever had of this species."), Ringlet (2), Meadow Brown (1), Gatekeeper (1), Essex Skipper (1), Large White (1), Small White (2).

J W BOCOCK reports from Lymington and Keyhaven reserve, Oxy Marsh (331935) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "Good view for several minutes. Looked in good condition. Not an expert, but clearly a monarch"). "I am not an expert but this was clearly a monarch butterfly. No photograph, I'm afraid but witnessed by the four people in our group. We were able to observe it for several minutes both flying and at rest. I was able to look at it closely through binoculars. Subsequent comparison of photographs on the internet led me to think it could be a female, but again I am no expert. The butterfly looked in perfect condition; I don't know if this is possible after a three thousand mile migration. It certainly was a heart stopping experience".

Chris rose reports from Brislands Lane, Four Marks (SU665344) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Green-veined White (3), Large Skipper (27), Large White (24 "As many as I could count"), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (50 "Seemed to be everywhere impossible to count"), Ringlet (23), Small Skipper (6), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Small White (18). "As well as the butterflies there were good numbers of Cinnabar caterpillars. This area of land is designated for housing development any time now. It is sad to think that all this activity here today will be wasted as this time next year it will be tarmac and houses."

Chris Rose reports from Old Down Wood (SU659331) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (6), Green-veined White (1), Large Skipper (3), Large White (14), Meadow Brown (43), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (39), Small White (19), Speckled Wood (3). "An evening visit, and despite the cooling off the butterflies were very evident".

Ian Ralph's writes: "I was doing a survey of Becton Bunny SINC yesterday, which is not Becton Bunny per se, it's the southern section of Barton-on-sea golf course adjacent to the Bunny. About 11 I flushed a Frit off some thistles near the eastern end of the SINC, I got a pretty good look at it as it bombed off, (flew in a wide arc around me then disappeared off to the north) and the under side of the hind wing had some very obvious even prominent white spots! Definitely not one of the "normal" frits, all of which I see regularly, I'm struggling to think what it could be other than a Queen of Spain. But not 100% so more comfortable if it goes down as Frit sp. Record ..... Fritillary sp, Barton-on-Sea golf Club South, one flushed from thistles near the public footpath. SZ25499269, 19th July 2013."

Simon Layton reports from Fishlake Meadows (SU355233) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Comma (12), Large White (11), Green-veined White (4), Large Skipper (9), Small Skipper (17), Peacock (2), Marbled White (4), Ringlet (3), Meadow Brown (8).



Purple Emperor



Green-veined White

## Thursday 18th July

Andrew Brookes reports from homerhill & Pigeonhouse Coppices, Boarhunt (SU589094) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (6), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (8), Large Skipper (2), Large White (8), Meadow Brown (20), Peacock (1 "My first new brood specimen"), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (32), Silver-washed Fritillary (37 "Females appearing at last; commonest species on site"), Speckled Wood (6), White Admiral (3 "Very disappointing show at what is traditionally one of their best sites in SE Hants. "). "No Purple Hairstreaks seen on any of the numerous old oaks; too early or too hot?"

R A Hume reports from Martin Down (SU044181) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Comma (3), Dark Green Fritillary (400), Essex Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (5), Large Skipper (1), Large White (5), Marbled White (300), Meadow Brown (5000), Peacock (1), Ringlet (75), Small Heath (50), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (2).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (2 "On Fleabane and Buddleia"), Gatekeeper (4 "All Males - Feeding on Fleabane and Buddleia"), Small Skipper (2 "Feeding on Lavender"). "It was unusual to see a Gatekeeper on Buddleia when there are more favoured plants close by. The Buddleia's this year have magnificent flowers so perhaps the nectar is better than the Fleabane's which are just coming out."

Hazel Pratt reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU793428) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (4 "My first sighting of this species this year."), Large White (8), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (30), Ringlet (100 "Probably considerably more than this. They seemed to be everywhere."), Small Skipper (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (14). "Time of visit - 10.00 -11.00 am".

Chris Cobb reports from Sutton Scotney, Dever Path (SU467395) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Small Skipper (14), Marbled White (18), Ringlet (12), Meadow Brown (15), Red Admiral (1), Large White (6), Drinker Moth (1 "Tatty one "). "14:00 14:40 The Drinker was appraised by 3 year old Oliver".



Drinker

R Bryant reports from Micheldever Woods (SU529363) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (12 "on patrol "), Purple Emperor (2 "visiting muddy puddle with white admiral 1030am"),

Alan Butterworth reports from Hordle (SZ267957) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Meadow Brown (3), Comma (1), Essex Skipper (2 "First for the garden, and for the conservatory!").



Essex Skipper

sue davis reports from Totland Bay IOW (SZ321868) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Flying low over sea heading for Hurst"), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Gatekeeper (7), Large White (3), Ringlet (11), Meadow Brown (9), Small Skipper (1). "along the bank behind the western end of the beach".

Ed Merritt reports from Beaulieu Heath (Hilltop) (SU398048) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (106), Small Heath (3), Beautiful Yellow Underwing (1 "Sorry, could only manage one very poor quality photograph before it flew away").



Silver-studded Blue

Beautiful Yellow Underwing

F Lawrence reports from Isle of Wight (WGS84) where the following observations were made: Swallow-tailed Moth (1) .



Swallow-tailed Moth

Graeme Davis reports from Indian Memorial Park (SU360459) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (1), Large White (1).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Ringlet (2), Gatekeeper (1), Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (1), Small White (2).

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(south) (SU545095) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (16), White Admiral (3), Ringlet (63), Meadow Brown (18), Large Skipper (4), Small Skipper (23), Comma (1), Brimstone (5 "3 males & 2 females"), Large White (1), Small White (3), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (1), Marbled White (30). "1100 & 1400".

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(north) (SU545105) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (15), White Admiral (1), Ringlet (57), Meadow Brown (39), Large Skipper (4), Small Skipper (9), Brimstone (7 "4 males & 3 females"), Small White (10), Marbled White (10), Speckled Wood (2), Comma (2), Green-veined White (1), Peacock (1), Large White (8). "1215".

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore & Thatcher's Copse (SU526025) where the following observations were made: Small White (42), Large White (5), Meadow Brown (11), Gatekeeper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "1500".

sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small White (8), Comma (0).

## Wednesday 17th July

john hunt reports from Bartley Heath (SU730534) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (91), Large Skipper (9), Brimstone (9), Large White (1), Small White (5), Speckled Wood (4), Marbled White (43), Gatekeeper (8), Meadow Brown (61), Ringlet (174), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), White Admiral (3). "An explosion of ringlets and good numbers of marbled whites. No sign of purple hairstreaks".

Terry Hotten reports from Cove (SU860560) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Flown indoors"). "First of year in my garden."

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Straits Inclosure (SU8014400) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (20), Purple Emperor (5 "Two of which settled on the ground ."), Ringlet (50), Red Admiral (0), Small Skipper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (4), White Admiral (22), Silver-washed Fritillary (40), Comma (2). "Time of visit. 9.30 - 11.00am".

Anne Hann reports from Lyndhurst (Parkhill Enclosure) (SU306075) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (1 "Seen twice in three days between 4 and 5 p.m.each time"). "Female - first sighting in the woods, second sighting in private grounds which adjoin woods".

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "One came down to perch on a gate before settling on a litter bin a couple of times, must have been something inside it was attracted to.").

Graham Dennis reports from Sidley Wood (SU407559) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Large Skipper (1), Large White (2), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (30), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (20), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (1), White Admiral (4).

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633636) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "First of the summer brood in my garden nectaring on bramble").

Mike Gregory reports from Peel Common (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Marbled White (41), Meadow Brown (75), Small Skipper (20), Essex Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (16), Large White (8), Small White (1).

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs Lake/ Alver Vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (35), Meadow Brown (104), Red Admiral (1), Large Skipper (1), Small Skipper (378), Essex Skipper (110), Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (8), Marbled White (181).

Ian Pratt reports from Brading Down (SZ602865) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1 "Very fresh- first of the season"), Large Skipper (3), Meadow Brown (12), Small Skipper (3).

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood (SU619127) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Essex Skipper (16), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (3), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (40), Purple Emperor (2 "Sparring males"), Purple Hairstreak (2), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (74), Silver-washed Fritillary (8 "All males"), Small Skipper (16), Speckled Wood (6), White Admiral (7).



Andrew Brookes reports from Funtley Meadow (SU558086) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (8), Gatekeeper (4), Large Skipper (3), Marbled White (15), Meadow Brown (22), Ringlet (30),

Andrew Brookes reports from Creech Wood, west (SU633115) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Essex Skipper (7), Gatekeeper (3), Green-veined White (2), Large Skipper (3), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (17), Ringlet (2), Small Skipper (7), White Admiral (1). "Miserable tally for this once great habitat. No Purple Emperors seen 16:15-17:20 on the former master trees, all oaks, near the Apless Lane entrance."

Andrew Brookes reports from Portchester garden (SU621049) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Newly emerged male nectaring on Buddleja 'Border Beauty'"), Comma (2 "On 'Bowles Mauve' wallflower"), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Ed Merritt reports from Marchwood Inclosure (SU389076) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (3), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (2).



White Admiral

Ed Merritt reports from Deerleap Inclosure/Churchplace Inclosure (SU3409) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Large Skipper (20), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Brimstone (1), Ringlet (16), Green-veined White (2), White Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (1), Small Skipper (6), Broad-bordered Yellow Underwing (1), Brown Silver-line (1). "Cycled a complete loop around this Inclosure complex and noted the above butterflies and moths on route."



Small Skipper



Broad-bordered Yellow Underwing

Jill Lincoln reports from Old Down, Basingstoke (SU597488) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (1 "First recording at this site"). "Seen on non-transect day".



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (1 "17:00 A trivial sighting perhaps but an unusual one for my garden. I saw it flitting about in the silver birch; it then came down and landed just above head height in a gleditsia; sadly not long enough for me to fetch the camera and get a shot of it."), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1), Gatekeeper (1).

Wednesday, 17th July 2013: Mary and Michael Gwilliam report the following sightings made while walking the Ports Down (Comps. 1-3) Transect, SU 628067, today between 11.00am and midday. Altogether 107 butterflies were counted comprising 15 identified species including Small Skipper 2, Small/Essex Skipper 2, Large Skipper 1, Brimstone 7, Large White 5, Small White 4, Green-veined White 2, Small Blue 1, Silver-studded Blue 1, Common Blue 1, Chalkhill Blue 4, Speckled Wood 2, Marbled White 55, Gatekeeper 4, Meadow brown 10 and Ringlet 6. A Dark Green Fritillary was also recorded some 20M from the start of Section 1 unfortunately too far away to contribute to the transect record. The S-s Blue was captured for positive ID and when released happily posed for the attached photo. We last recorded one in 2010 and are still curious as to where it came from.



Silver-studded Blue

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "On Buddleia"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "On Buddleia"), Small Skipper (1 "On Ragwort"), Small White (1 "On Lavender"), Gatekeeper (2 "Both Males - On Fleabane and Escalonia"), Comma (1 "Basking on Fence").

Ian Pratt reports from Brading Down (SZ602865) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1 "Very fresh- first of the season"), Large Skipper (3), Meadow Brown (12), Small Skipper (3).

Leanne Baker reports from Southampton old cemetery (SU414138) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (2), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (10), Small Skipper (8), Marbled White (9), Speckled Wood (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Brick Kiln Lane, Alton (SU7039) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (10 "5+ along lane, another 5+ on footpath across maize field"), Green-veined White (5).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (60 "in my garden").

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (1), Small White (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (2). "in my garden".

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (20), Small White (1), Purple Hairstreak (12), White Admiral (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (3), Marbled White (1). "1815".

Anne McCue reports from Browdown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (4), Purple Hairstreak (1). "1900".

sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small White (7), Meadow Brown (1).

## Tuesday 16th July

sam mackenzie reports from oakmount ave (su420144) where the following observations were made: Small White (1). "+six spot burnet moth".

Mike Wildish reports from Saxon Way (SU355475) where the following observations were made: Small White (13), Marbled White (28), Ringlet (15), Essex Skipper (14), Gatekeeper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Meadow Brown (4).

Mike Wildish reports from Anton Lakes North (SU365475) where the following observations were made: Small White (27), Ringlet (18), Gatekeeper (5), Essex Skipper (3), Marbled White (7), Large White (1), Large Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Meadow Brown (3), Comma (2), Green-veined White (2).

John Vetterlein reports from The Quays, Southampton (SU417113) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "on wasteground near The Quays swimming pool").

Geoff Jones reports from South Browdown, Lee on the Solent (SZ585988) where the following observations were made: Grayling (4), Purple Hairstreak (4 "Near Assault Course and close to Grayling site"), Marbled White (16 "Good to see so many during my walk"), Comma (2), Small Skipper (11 "I'm sure there many more "), Large Skipper (7 "I'm sure there were many more"), Meadow Brown (7), Gatekeeper (6).



Purple Hairstreak



Grayling

Mike & Mary Gwilliam & Chris Cobb reports from Portchester Common (SU621068) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (4), Small Skipper (10), Large White (3), Brimstone (6), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (12), Gatekeeper (8), Marbled White (45), Ringlet (8). "14:35 to 16:00".

Stuart Read reports from Albany Prison (SZ491903) where the following observations were made: . "Lots of marbled whites and large skippers on the derelict piece of land in front of Albany Prison."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Alice Holt Forest (SU812399) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (50), Small White (3), White Admiral (25), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (100), Ringlet (100), Comma (1), Ringlet (100), Small Skipper (20), Marbled White (5), Purple Hairstreak (2), Red Admiral (4), Purple Emperor (20). "My final day on my Purple Emperor week, away from work, and I've finished with a bang. I think I've worked out that I've seen up to (20) Emperors today between Straits Inclosure and Abbots Wood Inclosure and the Assembly Points, in the wood. My first encounter was at 0900 a male typically sallow searching, and Oak edging in and around the rides in Straits Inclosure. This was typical behaviour throughout the morning. I saw males at the following times 0900, 0915 where (2) males were seen together on an oak, where they met there was a little chase but it didn't amount to much. 0925, 0935, 0940, 1002, 1005 another two being seen one on the deer tower where he imbibed on the underneath extracting salts and possibly sap from the timber. Another male was seen on the telegraph pole on the side imbibing, then he decided to settle on the top. I thought it may come down but they both buzzed off. 1010 again one sallow searching around the deer tower. The times suggest there is plenty of males to be seen at this site this year. At Abbots Wood Inclosure again all sallow searching and Oak edging (1) male was seen at 1050, along with another one on the same oak both avoided each other, somehow! 1055 another sallow searching, all these were seen along a ride up to a mile long, so chances are they would be different specimens. 1105 another male with a nick out of wings. One was seen sallow searching up at the highpoint near the main car-park I male was seen just up in a small oak I was wondering whether he was waiting for me to buzz off, he seemed to sit there for ages, I could easily see him with the naked eye. Back down towards the small car-park again (2) males were seen at 1207 and 1210 both again searching the same tree, two males then ended up chasing each other at 1213, near to the small car-park entrance. One was seen oak edging and one flew across the ride at 1230 and then it was off to Goose Green Assembly Point. Here there were four Emperors throughout the early part of the afternoon, and at the other sites Alice Holt Forest (1) just two males, and at the site just across the road just one lonely male."



Purple Emperor



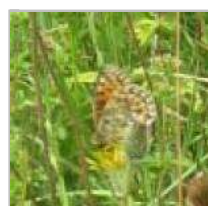
Purple Emperor

Richard Carpenter & Heather Anthony reports from Bramdean Common (SU6329) where the following observations were made: Comma (4), Gatekeeper (1), Marbled White (20), Purple Emperor (1 "Female"), Red Admiral (3), Ringlet (40), Silver-washed Fritillary (15), Small Tortoiseshell (2), White Admiral (4).

Andrew Brookes reports from Wallington riverbank, Boarhunt (SU600093) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Manor Farm, Boarhunt (SU601085) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (6), Ringlet (8), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Small White (3).

John Tuffrey reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU644211) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (30 "The most numerous species, but I couldn't photo any!"), Meadow Brown (20), Small Heath (20), Dark Green Fritillary (8), Chalkhill Blue (1), Small Skipper (30), Six spot burnet (20). "Can't be 100% sure of the large Fritillary I saw because it was hard to approach. It had the rounded forewings of the Dark Green and was quite large, like the Silver-washed. Had the right kind of underside markings for a Dark Green. I am also guessing that I saw Small Skippers instead of Essex Skippers. The quantities of 20 and above are approximate."



Dark Green Fritillary



Chalkhill Blue



Small Skipper

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "Overflow"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Basking on wall"), Red Admiral (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small Skipper (1 "On Lady's Bedstraw"), Meadow Brown (2 "In long grass"), Comma (1 "Basking on Fence"), Gatekeeper (1 "Male - feeding on Fleabane"). "Small Skipper - this is the first time I have recorded this species in the garden. It was very active although I did manage a fuzzy photo to confirm that the antenna tips are not black - i.e. it's not an Essex Skipper."

Sue Davies reports from Compton Landslip West IOW (SZ370849) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Large Skipper (2), Meadow Brown (17), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Marbled White (2), Silver Y Moth (5), Chalk Carpet Moth (1). "Late afternoon- hot, sunny, light breeze".

jim smith reports from broxhead common(LNR) (SU805368) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (20 "count is an approximation"). "very hard to see with wings open".

Andy Bolton reports from Clinker's Copse, Frith Common, nr Kingsclere (SU545599) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (6), White Admiral (3), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Marbled White (2), Large Skipper (9), Small Skipper (6), Ringlet (90), Meadow Brown (75).

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore(undercliffs) (SU524028) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Skipper (3), Small White (4), Meadow Brown (3).

## Monday 15th July

Mike Wildish reports from Penton Grafton (SU325475) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (14), Ringlet (4), Gatekeeper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (2).

Mike Wildish reports from Penton Lane (SU325485) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (14), Large Skipper (1), Ringlet (9), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Small White (3), Comma (1). /p>

R Bryant reports from Micheldever Woods (SU529363) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (2 "coming down to muddy puddle"), Silver-washed Fritillary (5 "active along edge of main ride"), Ringlet (8 "numerous"), Small White (2). "very hot conditions".

David Lester reports from Farley Mount, meadow in the south (SU412293) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (70), Ringlet (4), Meadow Brown (5), Small Heath (5), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (1), Dark Green Fritillary (40), Small Skipper (20), Common Blue (1), 6 Spot Burnett Moth (70), 5 Spot Burnett Moth (1). "All species were very difficult to photograph, rarely settling for more than a few seconds. I was accompanied on this walk around the area by John Vetterlein."

David Lester reports from Farley Mount, West Wood (SU423302) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Ringlet (100), Silver-washed Fritillary (22), Marbled White (2), Small Skipper (7), Green-veined White (1), Essex Skipper (1), Large White (4), Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (3), Large Skipper (4), Comma (5), Small Tortoiseshell (3), White Admiral (2), Peacock (1).

Ashley Whitlock reports from West Wood (SU421297) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (3), Large Skipper (3), White Admiral (5), Meadow Brown (100), Large White (5), Ringlet (50), Marbled White (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (50), Comma (4), Red Admiral (4), Brimstone (3), Speckled Wood (2), Small Skipper (10), Purple Emperor (4), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Went to one of my favourite sites near Winchester, and I counted up to 16 species on site, with Scarlett Tiger Moths on the wing as well (5). Obviously the Purple Emperor was the highlight of the visit. I arrived at 0800, and met a few dog walkers who had never heard of the Purple Emperor, as they were asking me was I looking for birds...as you do. I was talking to a chap with three spanials as I was putting my 'shrimp paste bait' down and he had just left me after wishing me goodluck when this rather charming butterfly descended from the heavens and plonked itself down not far from me. I was still in shrimp paste mode no camera to be seen, but it had obviously worked, he stuck around for about five minutes giving it plenty of wing waving. He ascended again and tried to muscle in on some dog poo which a Red Admiral was standing guard over, and he gave the Emperor short shrift and the Emperor exited stage left. This all took place at 0910, and again at 0925, and again at 0950, where I had to stop two dog walkers from going any further, as I thought this Emperor was about to land, it didn't and I explained the situation, they politely smiled and moved on. At 1045 I saw an Emperor at the top of the ridge Oak edging, and then back down my favourite ride I had a lovely male on some Horse Manure, he stopped there for well over 20 minutes. Occasionally getting off after I was getting too close to sit on a leaf at the side of the ride. He then buzzed off down the ride weaving left and then right stopping for a few seconds, and then off again. When I finally caught up with him I realised he was looking for a nice patch in the shade. He decided to hitch a ride on my walking boot...what an honour! He stopped there for at least 10 minutes, and then on to my trouser leg. What a day!"



Scarlett Tiger



Purple Emperor



Purple Emperor

Chris Cobb reports from Upperford Copse (SU591136) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (1), Speckled Wood (3), White Admiral (1). "16:00".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Pitt Down (SU417292) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1000), Dark Green Fritillary (54), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Heath (4), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (100), Ringlet (20), Small Skipper (100), Essex Skipper (1), Large White (3), Brimstone (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Pitt Down was alive with butterflies this afternoon, the highlight was the good numbers of Dark Green Fritillary, which is one of the best counts I've had the pleasure of counting at this site. The Marbled Whites have gone through the roof, with good counts of Small Skipper, but its very hard at the moment to Essex them as well with the butterfly on the wing at the moment. They are grazing on this site at the moment, with highland cattle, and where the shorter turf is, the grasses being about a foot tall this is where the majority of the Dark-Green Fritillaries were seen, and two females were seen as well."



Dark Green Fritillary



Ringlet

Jenny Simmonds reports from Highgate Lane (SU876564) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "First one seen in our garden for a few years"), Comma (1).

Hazel Pratt reports from Caesars Camp (SU830492) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "m"), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (7), Silver-studded Blue (14), Small Heath (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Skipper (3).

HHazel Pratt reports from Goose Green (SU806415) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (6), Large White (2), Purple Emperor (4), Small Skipper (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2). "13.15 - 14.15. On my arrival one observer was already in position and had seen some Purple Emperor activity in the tree tops.. Although one and two butterflies were seen at intervals throughout the hour we found it difficult to establish how many different butterflies there were. Shortly before I left, however, we had a view of four butterflies on the wing at the same time."

John Roberts reports from Ashlett (SU471028) where the following observations were made: Grayling (5), Small Skipper (7), Small Tortoiseshell (23), Marbled White (3), Speckled Wood (17), Six-spot Burnet (35).

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed by day in my garden").

David Tinling reports from Alverstoke Crescent Garden,Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: White Ermine BF2060 (1 "resting on the leaf of a black mulberry before dusk"). "2100".

sam mackenzie reports from oakmount ave (su420144) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (3), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Small White (4), Meadow Brown (4), Marbled White (7). "Very warm temperature was 26 degrees.".

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Meadow Brown (15), Marbled White (23), Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Around the rear of Fort Widley the numbers of Marbled Whites have increased, the hot weather really helping.".

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (1 "first for year"), Green-veined White (5), Large Skipper (23), Large White (2), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (54), Ringlet (241), Silver-washed Fritillary (99), Small Skipper (44), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (12), Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (1). "Recorded on the transect".

sue davis reports from Norton Spit (SZ349896) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (14), Meadow Brown (3), Large Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (3). "late afternoon, hot, sunny, light breeze.".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Meadow Brown (2), Small White (2). "in my garden".

Matt Birchett reports from Staunton Country Park (SU732175) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "Male, on track 10am. ").

## Sunday 14th July

sam mackenzie reports from oakmount ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1). /p>

Graham Dennis reports from Benyons Inclosure (SU628632) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (6), Green-veined White (4), Ringlet (5), Meadow Brown (25).

R Bryant reports from Ovington (SU562319) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "on nettles, riverside"), Purple Emperor (1 "male, on dog poo, river path, bright sunshine"), Ringlet (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "on nettles, riverside"), Small Skipper (2), Speckled Wood (1). "It's the first time I've seen a purple emperor down here.".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Whiteley Pastures Botley Wood (SU545098) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (10), Purple Hairstreak (2), Purple Emperor (1), Ringlet (100), Brimstone (3), Meadow Brown (100), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (42), Large White (4), Marbled White (100), Small White (1), Small Skipper (100), Essex Skipper (1), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (9), Large Skipper (4). "A walk around one of my favorite butterfly woods, unfortunately so did the Horse Flies like the woods as well and I was bitten all up my arms! One male Purple Emperor appeared at 1135 in a ride at the back of the woods quartering the ride and did a little Oak edging before seeing me looking up at him where he promptly plonked himself in an oak tree out of sight hoping that I would disappear from the ride.The Silver-Washed Fritillary was well out, although I haven't seen a female yet. The White Admiral is struggling, and I only managed 10 in three hours. Ive only listed the Essex Skipper as (1)as I took a photo of one! Ive seen so many Small Skippers buzzing about its been almost impossible to id them as anything but Small Skipper. But I must have seen literally hundreds so I must have espied a few Essex Skippers along the way.".



Marbled White



Large Skipper



Small Skipper

Bryan J Pinchen reports from Bramshaw (SU2615) where the following observations were made: Swallowtail (1 "flew strongly past me at chest height above the bracken, heading westwards at 13.30 BST").

Stuart Read reports from Parkhurst Forest (SZ4790) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Large Skipper (25 "everywhere!"), Marbled White (10 "mainly in the south-west of the forest"), White Admiral (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Ringlet (50 "too many to count!"), Meadow Brown (100 "all over the place!"). "Now why couldn't the Silver-Washed Fritillary have made an appearance on Friday afternoon for many admiring people who came on the BC walk to see it?!".

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU623224) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (12), Ringlet (6), Large White (7), Small White (5), Large Skipper (1), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Comma (2).

Mark tutton reports from Alice holt (SU813428) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (7), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (20), Purple Emperor (7), Purple Hairstreak (4), Red Admiral (5), Comma (11), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (21), Small Skipper (18), White Admiral (14).

Ian Pratt reports from Walters Copse Newtown IOW (SZ429905) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Large Skipper (2), Meadow Brown (10), Gatekeeper (2). "Very fresh and lively white admirals and silver-washed fritillaries which have appeared about the same time as last year.".

Andy Bolton reports from Basing Wood, Chineham (SU644556) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (9), White Admiral (6), Purple Emperor (4 "2 male, 2 female"), Purple Hairstreak (8), Large Skipper (12), Small Skipper (10), Speckled Wood (1), Comma (1), Ringlet (20), Meadow Brown (15). "The most wonderful Purple Emperor experience on Sunday evening in Basing Wood, with a total of 4 seen in the same view, in the period 6-7pm. First a male zipped by at head height, I gave chase for 20 yards then encountered a female which settled very prominently in a willow bush. She perched facing the ride as if to say 'come and find me boys' and stayed stock still, eventually for 20 minutes plus. Meanwhile the male was repeatedly powering up and down 100 yards or so of the ride at about 2ft off the ground, presumably trying to locate the female whose scent he could detect. He even perched briefly in the same bush 3ft below her, but still could n't locate her! After that he made 2 short stops on the track and once briefly on me. I then walked on about 30 yards and encountered 2 more Purple Emperors vigorously sparring and tumbling with each other at about 3ft above the track. They crossed the ditch into the shrubs where the larger female perched in clear view and the male soared into the canopy and out of sight. I hoped to see a pairing but it didn't happen. Later I returned to this spot and found at least 3 Emperors soaring around above the tree canopy and still doing so as I left just before 7pm.".





Purple Emperor

Andy Bolton reports from Butter Wood, Greywell (SU719524) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (3), White Admiral (3), Comma (1), Small White (2), Large Skipper (2).

Andy Bolton reports from Greywell Moors HIOWWT Reserve (SU722513) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (24), Ringlet (22), Meadow Brown (26), Large Skipper (3), Small Skipper (5), Comma (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small White (2), Peacock (2 Larval "two abandoned webs with many shed skins.").



Peacock larva

GGraeme Davis reports from Anton Lakes LNR (SU359467) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (6), Ringlet (4), Small Skipper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Comma (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Waste Land by Andover Hospital (SU354464) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (11), Ringlet (8 "one pair coupling"), Meadow Brown (4), Small Skipper (2). "This area of wasteland I have walked through for years. Being slowly invaded by scrub, but has always been the best place in Andover for Marbled Whites. 74 Pyramidal orchids were also found in the wooded area".

sam mackenzie reports from oakmount ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Large White (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Eastleigh Rugby Club River Itchen (SU4619) where the following observations were made: Small White (4), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (7), Comma (4). "Wanted to try somewhere new so, walked from Eastleigh Rugby Club following the path alongside the River Itchen, until I was opposite Stoke Common. Numbers of butterflies were a little disappointing but the temperature was 26 degrees, so perhaps too hot for many to fly."

Ed Merritt reports from King's Copse Inclosure (SU423021) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Ringlet (8), Large Skipper (10), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (13), White Admiral (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Skipper (9), Holly Blue (1), Marbled White (1), Gatekeeper (2).



Small Skipper

David W Hunt reports from Our Garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "Feeding on Lavender - had badly damaged wings").

T Marsh reports from North Deer Leap (SU348092) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Small Skipper (3).

## Saturday 13th July

Sam mackenzie reports from oakmount ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Large White (1). /p>

R Bryant reports from Abbotstone Down (SU584361) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Brown Argus (1), Large White (1), Marbled White (11), Meadow Brown (5), Ringlet (50 "large numbers"), Small Skipper (7), Speckled Wood (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (5).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ671996) where the following observations were made: . "I put my moth trap again last night and the species were not as numerous as last week , but I still had about thirty species. Highlights again were several Elephant Hawk Moths and a Poplar Moth, with several Buff Tips which I find are one of the best looking moths and obviously cleverly camouflaged, against a tree,I think it does a good impression of a fag butt! Other highlights were Common Footman, Small Magpie Moth,Blue Bordered Carpet, and Buff Ermine."



Buff-tip



Small Magpie



Buff Ermine &amp; Common Footman

Ashley and Jackie Whitlock reports from Havant Thicket (SU713109) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (6), Silver-washed Fritillary (17), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (9), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Large Skipper (21), Gatekeeper (1), Small Skipper (12), Brimstone (6), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (50), Red Admiral (2), Large White (6), Green-veined White (1), Purple Hairstreak (1). "Neil Hulme from the Sussex Branch and I led a field trip into Havant Thicket looking for the Purple Emperor. Unfortunately we never saw one, for several reasons I will suggest,1. It was very warm, into the nineties in the rides we were walking down, and possibly it may not be out yet at this site. It may well be more active when the females come into play. We all saw many species, the highlight for me personally was the mating ritual of the White Admiral which is not observed very often. Good Sallow was seen in the rides, and I think it is a very fine wood for the Purple Emperor. Later in the afternoon went on to Southleigh Forest near Emsworth, and here we managed to see two Purple Emperor's which were large males flying around a master Oak at an assembly point. It was wonderful to see and satisfied everybody who had come on the walk. We saw one male see of his rival and ousted off his perch on the Oak branch, where he promptly returned to his perch, this was mid afternoon at 14:30. We then moved on to Brickkiln Ponds not far from Stansted House, and we all stood at the side of the road and espied one male flying right to left and then left to right in a vista of large oak trees. A very satisfying day, and I would like to thank Neil and all who attended from Hampshire and across the border from Sussex."

Graeme Davis reports from Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood (SU619127) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Essex Skipper (2), Green-veined White (2), Large Skipper (20), Marbled White (4), Meadow Brown (30), Purple Emperor (1 "Very indolent, only taking to the air every 15 minutes"), Ringlet (30), Small Skipper (2), Speckled Wood (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), White Admiral (3). "Very hot, 30 C."

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU622050) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (3), Marbled White (9), Meadow Brown (5), Ringlet (2), Speckled Wood (2), Large White (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Portchester garden (SU621049) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (0 "Tatty"), Comma (1 "Nectaring on Bowles Mauve wallflower"), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "One ventured into kitchen through open window.").

Andrew Brookes reports from Great Fontley Farm (SU561098) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (2), Large Skipper (8), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (10), Ringlet (10), Small Skipper (2).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ675986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2). "After I got back from the field trip to Havant Thicket I noticed in the garden several Small Tortoiseshells imbibing on my Buddlea Bush. Both were in tip-top condition, and stayed on the bush most of the afternoon. I went up to the bathroom later on and low and behold I found a lovely Swallowtail Moth on the wall, so with the moth trap and this lovely specimen I've had a good day mothing as well!"



Swallow-tailed Moth

Small Tortoiseshell

Stuart Read reports from Wight Salads (SZ5484) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (14), Marbled White (10), Meadow Brown (50 "abundant"), Large Skipper (5), Red Admiral (1), Large White (2). "Observed on Wight Salads' conservation meadow at Apse Heath."

Mick Langridge & David Tinling reports from Browndown North(oak copse),Gosport (SZ583999) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1 "flying through the oak copse in late afternoon sunshine"). "1700".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "summer brood female basking & flying in late afternoon sunshine"). "1740".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west),Gosport (SZ579992) where the following observations were made: [Grayling](#) (1 "basking on warm shingle in early evening sunshine "). "1845".

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "layning eggs and a young caterpillar"), Comma (4), Large Skipper (15), Meadow Brown (100), Purple Emperor (1), Purple Hairstreak (5 "First of year"), Ringlet (40), Silver-washed Fritillary (60), Small Skipper (20), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (10), White Admiral (13).

Mark tutton reports from Alice holt (SU813428) where the following observations were made: Comma (12), Large Skipper (11), Large White (4), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (50), Purple Emperor (11), Ringlet (60), Purple Hairstreak (7), Red Admiral (5), Comma (8), Silver-washed Fritillary (29), Small Skipper (18), Speckled Wood (8), White Admiral (17).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Basking on Fence and Nettles"), Burnet Moth (1 "Feeding on Knapweed. Probably a six-spot but too restless for me to be positive.").

Steve Mansfield reports from Weston Common (NE) (SU7044) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2), White Admiral (1), Large Skipper (1), Ringlet (20). "Along main NE/SW ride. (Also known as Closedown Wood)".

Steve Mansfield reports from Weston Common (e) (SU6944) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (2), Ringlet (20).

Steve Mansfield reports from Odiham (w) (SU724506) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Hoddington Farm, Upton Grey (SU7047) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Dogmersfield Park (SU7651) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Marbled White (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Dogmersfield Lake (SU759515) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Bidden (SU7049) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (30 "some mating").

## Friday 12th July

Chris Cobb reports from Upperford Copse (SU591136) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Meadow Brown (3), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (1 "Flying at ground level around a very shaded forest path"). "15:00 - 15:35".

J Braithwaite reports from Basingstoke railway sidings (SU639518) where the following observations were made: Large Tortoiseshell (1 "Seen from train on way to basingstoke from bramley station. On steep sidings. "), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "My garden no 1. At rg26 5ab"). "I saw the small tortoiseshell yesterday just laying on the grass in the garden. The buddleia is late flowering this year, have been a bit worried about the butterflies. Was on the way to basingstoke on the train, about 200 yds outside station the train stopped, I have seen a deer there before so was looking along the sidings and spotted this large tortoiseshell on a plant leaf on the siding. So easy to see, such bright colours in the sunshine and so big."

Stuart Read reports from Parkhurst Forest (SZ4790) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Gatekeeper (2), Large Skipper (25 "numerous!"), Large White (2), Marbled White (5), Meadow Brown (100 "ubiquitous!"), Red Admiral (1 "nectaring on brambles."), White Admiral (6), Speckled Wood (1), Small Skipper (2), Ringlet (50 "abundant!"). "A species count of 11 on a butterfly conservation walk in Parkhurst Forest. No silver-washed fritillaries sighted unfortunately."

Peter Gammage reports from Southleigh Woods (SU743087) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (2), Purple Emperor (1 "male"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "femle"). "finally got lucky third try this week with an after work strike. The emperor was present in the same tall oak as seen last year and shortly afterwards dueling purple hairstreaks could be seen in the background."



Purple Emperor

Ashley Whitlock reports from Abbotts Wood Inclosure (SU811404) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (50), Meadow Brown (30), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), White Admiral (6), Purple Emperor (8), Speckled Wood (4), Large Skipper (1), Marbled White (2). "The day started really cool and overcast, and not much happened until about 1040 when the sky cleared and the sun shone with real warmth. I saw my first Purple Emperor at 1155 Oak edging not far from the small car-park, a large beauty, but he wasn't staying around long. At the Assembly points there were sluggish results, as the weather hampered them to time keep! I witnessed my first changing of the guard, a quite tatty male was ousted from his perch at Goose Green by a much larger male, after he had been given the run around for about an hour by 'Nick'. I never saw where Nick went but there are plenty of territories left for him to occupy at the moment. The Goose Green Vista has moved cannot think why, as the wayleaves area seems to be avoided at the moment. Maybe there will be some classic clashes at some point when all the males have hatched out."



Goose Green

Linda Roberts reports from Bentley Wood (SU251291) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (10), Meadow Brown (20), Ringlet (20), Marbled White (6), Small White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (2), White Admiral (6), Large Skipper (20), Small Skipper (4), Large White (3), Small White (2). "Nice sunny day - plenty to see and photograph. An earlier sighting of the Purple Emperor that day. The one photographed was on the ground for about 10 mins."



White Admiral



Purple Emperor



Large Skipper

David Tinling reports from Home Heath, Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (33 "taking knapweed nectar"), Essex Skipper (15 "taking knapweed nectar"), Large Skipper (2 "male & female taking bramble nectar"), Small White (1 "female taking knapweed nectar"), Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (16 "taking knapweed nectar"), Meadow Brown (14). "1650-1715 & 1830-1910".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North (oak copse), Gosport (SZ583999) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (3 "flying in evening sunshine in the oak tree-tops, two spiralling around one another"). "1755-1805".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3 "summer brood"). "0825-0850".

Graeme Davis reports from Lloyds Banking Group, Charlton Place (SU361460) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (1), Green-veined White (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Straits Enclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU801400) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Meadow Brown (50 "Plus"), Ringlet (50 "Plus"), Speckled Wood (1), White Admiral (9), Silver-washed Fritillary (22), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1), Red Admiral (2), Large Skipper (2). "Arrived early (around 09:30) at Straits Enclosure before the sun reached full temperature. Plenty of Meadow Browns and Ringlets - too many to count! Numbers of Silver Washed Fritillaries are now increasing, but numbers of White Admirals are still low. No sign of the Purple Emperor here yet, despite seeing Matthew Oates who had been searching, so did not bother to go looking at Goose Green."

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Small White (1), Meadow Brown (14), Marbled White (14), Small Heath (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Chalkhill Blue (1), Large Skipper (2). "Called in at this site on my way home from Alice Holt Forest. Saw my first Chalkhill Blue this year, just a single male, which I saw along with another observer. Nice to see the odd Silver Washed Fritillary here too."

Mick Langridge reports from Shatterford (SU348062) where the following observations were made: Grayling (1 "Just one grab shot from a distance as it flitted non stop"), Silver-studded Blue (300 "Very widespread"), Marbled White (5), Small Heath (7), Small Skipper (20), Large Skipper (25), Meadow Brown (200), Brimstone (2), Large White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (10). "A five hour circular stroll from the Shatterford car park, out to Pig Bush then round to the edge of Denny Wood but keeping in the open as much as possible, saw Silver Studded Blues virtually all over the heath. Disappointed not see Common Blues or Brown Argus."



Grayling



Silver-studded Blue

Mark tutton reports from Alice holt (SU813428) where the following observations were made: Comma (6), Meadow Brown (40), Marbled White (4), Purple Hairstreak (3), Purple Emperor (9), Red Admiral (7), Ringlet (30), Silver-washed Fritillary (27), Small Skipper (22), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (7), White Admiral (32).

David W Hunt reports from Our Garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "Flushed from Long Grass"), Comma (1 "Basking on Nettles"), Small White (1 "Feeding on Everlasting Wallflower").

Steve Mansfield reports from Ackender Meadow, Alton (SU705387) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (200 "At least"), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Meadow Brown (100 "At least"), Ringlet (5 "At least"), Small Skipper (20 "At least"), 6-spot burnet moth (14 "At least"), Peacock (20 Larval). "This large field is centred on the grid-ref given. It is located between Ackender Wood, Whitedown Lane, and the old Treloar Hospital in Alton. The grid reference given is the approximate centre. I do not know if it has a proper name - "Ackender Meadow" is a name which I invented. There are various signs which state that it is private - I fear that it is earmarked for housing development. However it is well-trodden by local dog-walkers and others. I do not know who owns it. It has clearly not been treated with agri-chemicals for a number of years. There are a variety of wild-flowers present including common spotted and pyramidal orchids, and scabious. This year it has been harvested for hay, though leaving some significant areas uncut. We visited on a fine evening when hay-making had just completed and discovered 200+ Marbled Whites preparing for roost along with a number of other species."

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery (east), Gosport (main paths only) (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (67), Marbled White (20), Small Skipper (19), Large Skipper (5), Speckled Wood (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (1), Small White (1). "1200-1230".

Anne McCue reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (1), Large Skipper (1), Speckled Wood (3), Meadow Brown (5). "1510".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1).

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (18), Essex Skipper (3), Large Skipper (5), Small White (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (4), Speckled Wood (6), Meadow Brown (1), Small Heath (1). "1530".

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2), Large Skipper (2), Brimstone (1 "female"), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1). "1615".

Rob Souter reports from Micheldever Station (SU514425) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (1 "First time I have recorded DGF in the area in 5 years of casual recording").

Roger Pendell reports from Beacon Hill (SU598227) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Speckled Wood (2), Green-veined White (2), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Meadow Brown (60), Marbled White (48), Ringlet (22), Large Skipper (4), Comma (1), Small Heath (7), Dark Green Fritillary (5).

## Thursday 11th July

Mike Wildish reports from Cowdown Lane (SU375435) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (19), Small Tortoiseshell (9), Meadow Brown (12), Small White (4), Comma (2), Large Skipper (1), Small Heath (2).

R A Hume reports from Martin Down (SU046185) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (2), Common Blue (5), Small Blue (1), Dark Green Fritillary (187), Marbled White (152), Small Tortoiseshell (3). "Fritillary/marbled white numbers a touch irrelevant but show how numerous they were, on a circular walk in mid reserve - no doubt could have seen very many more by walking a bit farther! Blues extremely worn."

A.C.Smallbone reports from Rotherlands L.N.R> (SU764239) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (27), Ringlet (13), Large Skipper (4), Small Skipper (1), Comma (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (2). "A 40 minute survey around midday. Pleasing to see a few Small Torts. for a change."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Lock foreshore (SZ675986) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Green-veined White (1), Comma (2), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (6), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (4), Large Skipper (3), Small Skipper (1). "Another walk around my local patch, and an hourly timed walk produced the best count since looking at this area. The Marbled Whites are well out now as are the Meadow Brown's. The Peacock Larvae has all dispersed and no doubt should be on the wing well before the end of the month. Again the Small Tortoiseshell was seen amongst the Nettles as was the Comma."

Andy Bolton reports from Axmansford, Tadley (SU565607) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1 "floating by the back door late afternoon.").

Mark tutton reports from Alice holt (SU813428) where the following observations were made: Comma (9), Large Skipper (12), Meadow Brown (30), Peacock (100 Larval), **Purple Emperor** (5), Purple Hairstreak (6), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (42), Small Skipper (12), Speckled Wood (9), White Admiral (35). "Good to see large numbers of swf and white admirals after Ashley and my visit on Monday. Had usual how to photograph emperor on boot and make it look natural problem!".

Sue Davies reports from Mill Copse Yarmouth IOW (SZ357888) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (17).

Sue Davies reports from Mill Copse Yarmouth IOW (SZ357888) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (17), Large White (25), Marbled White (8), Ringlet (5), Meadow Brown (42), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small Skipper (1), Small White (17 "2 in cop"), White Admiral (1).

Sue Davies reports from Mill Copse Yarmouth IOW (SZ357888) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (17), Large White (25), Marbled White (8), Ringlet (5), Meadow Brown (42), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small Skipper (1), Small White (17 "2 in cop"), White Admiral (1), cinnabar moth (1), Celypha lacunana (1).

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (1 "male"), Essex Skipper (6 "5 males & 1 female"), Small/Essex Skipper (6), Marbled White (2 "males"), Meadow Brown (3). "1630-1650 & 1820-1835".

David Tinling reports from Alver Meadow,Gosport (SZ586998) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2 "males"), Comma (2 "one extremely worn overwintered & one hutchinsoni"), Meadow Brown (10). "1835-1900".

jim smith reports from Butser hill (SU715203) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Marbled White (1). "Also meadow brown,ringlet and speckled wood.Plenty of what I would assume were six spot burnets and one blue maybe chalkhill.Loads of butterflies in Lime Kiln lane beside reserve once beyond it hardly any which I assume is pretty typical in unmanaged areas of countryside."

John Clark reports from Straits Inclosure (SU8040) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (40 "all males"), White Admiral (20), Red Admiral (3), Comma (1), Large Skipper (3), Ringlet (50), Meadow Brown (20). "All SW Frits and White Admirals very fresh. Many nectaring on brambles and frits on thistles. Excellent photographic opportunities. No iris seen although three reported the previous day at Goose Green."

GGraeme Davis reports from Augusta Park Smannell Road (SU373473) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (31), Marbled White (1). "This is a new build development and they have seeded their roadside verges and walkways with wildflower seed. It might be worth making sure that the developer is thanked for this and/or make sure that these wildflower areas remain after the developer leave. It was also very good for moths and other insects. I am worried that when the development is finished the developer or local council might cut these newly valuable areas".

Roy Symonds reports from Hayling Billy Cycle Trail (SU715020) where the following observations were made: Small White (8), Green-veined White (5), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (14), Marbled White (18), Speckled Wood (1), Common Blue (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Comma (3), Small Skipper (1). "Walked most of the length of the Hayling Billy Cycle Trail today from North Hayling Halt (SU715020) to Station Road, West Town (SU709998). Weather was sunny temperature 21 degrees."

David Tinling & Mick Langridge reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (8 "6 males & 2 females"), Small/Essex Skipper (12), Large Skipper (10 "9 males & 1 female"), Small White (1 "male"), Red Admiral (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (3 "hutchinsoni"), Speckled Wood (2), Marbled White (1 "male"), Gatekeeper (1 "female"), Meadow Brown (2), Small Heath (1). "1655-1810".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "Overflow"), Meadow Brown (1 "Flushed from long grass"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Feeding on Everlasting Wallflower"). "On Wednesday 10th July I was at Titchfield Haven NNR. A Monarch Butterfly was reported by one of the volunteers in the Car Park behind Hill Head Sailing Club although I missed it myself."

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (8), Large Skipper (2), Speckled Wood (7), Marbled White (3), Comma (3), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (2), Meadow Brown (1). "1110-1150".

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore(undercliffs) (SU526025) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (10), Large White (2), Small White (8), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (2). "1220".

## Wednesday 10th July

Mike Wildish reports from Mark Lane (SU335465) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (7), Meadow Brown (7), Speckled Wood (13), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Ringlet (14). /p>

Andrew Brookes reports from Broadgardens, Portchester (SU621045) where the following observations were made: White-letter Hairstreak (2), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (10), Marbled White (2).

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood (SU619127) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (3 "All males"), Speckled Wood (12), Small Skipper (1 "Male"), Ringlet (30), Meadow Brown (30), Marbled White (3), Large Skipper (6), Green-veined White (2), Brimstone (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Homerhill & Pigeonhouse Coppices (SU589094) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (2), Large Skipper (5), Meadow Brown (25), Ringlet (20), Silver-washed Fritillary (6 "All males"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "First ever seen in these woods"), Speckled Wood (11), White Admiral (3 "All males").

Andrew Brookes reports from Nelson Reservoir, Ports Down (SU608073) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 Larval), Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (24), Small White (1).



Alan Butterworth reports from Wootton Coppice (SZ247996) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (18), Meadow Brown (6), Ringlet (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "First of the year for me"). "Another hot morning, plenty of activity in a cleared area. Silver-washed fritillary didn't choose to settle for a photo sadly."



Ringlet

David Lester reports from Hoe Road Meadow, Bishops Waltham (SU565173) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (56), Ringlet (1), Small Skipper (2), 6 Spot Burnett Moths (25 "Including a mating pair"). "This site is very close to where I live and I was only on detour from a visit to town, I need to detour more!"

Colin Beyer reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU508292) where the following observations were made: **Chalkhill Blue** (1 "Male "), Gatekeeper (1 "Male").

Andrew Brookes reports from Grub Coppice (western edge), Boarhunt (SU602090) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Large Skipper (2), Meadow Brown (10), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (8), Small White (2).

Andrew Brookes reports from Manor Farm, Boarhunt (SU603087) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (15), Ringlet (12), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Small White (2).

Hazel Rouse reports from Staunton Country Park (SU719093) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (4), White Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (15), Red Admiral (1).

Ed Merritt reports from Ipley (SU382067) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (100 "At least this many, I stopped counting at 100! Some of the butterflies seemed to be fairly fresh whilst many others are starting to look quite tatty.").



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue

Linda Roberts reports from St Catherine's Hill, Winchester (SU483280) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (10), Meadow Brown (11), Marbled White (3), Ringlet (8), Comma (5), Small Skipper (1), Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (2), Large White (1), White Admiral (1), Common Blue (1). "At last a varied selection, first sighting of a white admiral at this site (none seen in recent years) Hardly any Blue sightings yet. Lovely sunny day late morning / early afternoon."

jim smith reports from alice holt forest(straits enclosure) (SU798406) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (5), White Admiral (2), Red Admiral (2). "Plenty of meadow browns, ringlets and i think a large skipper. Not exactly sure of the no sw frits but at least five. Was told there had been no sighting of purple emperor."

Graeme Davis reports from Rooksbury Mill LNR (SU355444) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Meadow Brown (8), Ringlet (1).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Feeding on Hebe and Everlasting Wallflower").

Paul Harfield reports from Track Close to Yew Hill (SU4627) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Meadow Brown (5), Green-veined White (1), Speckled Wood (1), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (1). "Seen between 6pm and 7pm in late warm sunshine".

## Tuesday 9th July

Mike Wildish reports from Anton Lakes East (SU365465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (9), Ringlet (2), Comma (2), Marbled White (2), Small Tortoiseshell (4).

Graham Dennis reports from Old Burghclere Lime Quarry (SU472571) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (10), Speckled Wood (1), Narrow-bordered 5 Spot Burnet (6), Marbled White (35), Meadow Brown (60), Ringlet (20), Small Skipper (15), Dark Green Fritillary (45), Small Blue (10).

Tim and Sue Graham reports from Yew Hill (SU455264) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (100), Small Heath (8), Ringlet (50), Meadow Brown (50), Common Blue (1), Small Skipper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Dark Green Fritillary (1). "Cloudless, 28C, 12:30 - 1:30".

Tim Graham reports from Old Kennels Lane (SU448271) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (1).

Alan Butterworth reports from Wootton Coppice (SZ247995) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (20), Ringlet (30 "Along woodland rides"), Large Skipper (10 "In woodland clearing"), Marbled White (25 "Abundant within a large clearing"). "Hot morning, butterflies very active. Marbled whites, large skippers and many meadow browns in the first clearing beyond the small stream from the eastern entrance. Ringlets and meadow browns along the tracks."

Andrew Brookes reports from IBM Lakeside, Portsmouth (SU648052) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (2), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (20), White-letter Hairstreak (7 "3 perching on hybrid cultivar Ulmus 'Regal'"), Comma (2 "Pristine summer brood specimens"), Common Blue (1 "Very tatty, nectaring on cinquefoil").

Clive Wood reports from Garden at St Cross, Winchester (SU476284) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Green-veined White (2).

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads west (SU712267) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Ringlet (8), Meadow Brown (10), Large Skipper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (2).



## Large Skipper

## Small Tortoiseshell

Mike Stoneman reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU534096) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (7), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), White Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Green-veined White (1), Marbled White (2), Small White (1), Large White (2), Speckled Wood (5). "Disappointed by the number of butterflies given the hot weather, but nice to have my first sightings of the year of White Admiral and Silver-washed Fritillary."

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east), Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (1 "male taking red clover nectar"), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "summer brood taking nectar from creeping thistle & viper's bugloss"), Marbled White (7), Meadow Brown (3), Small Heath (1), Cinnabar (2). "0850-0920".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (11), Essex Skipper (1 "male"), Large Skipper (1 "male in triple aerial combat with a male Small Skipper & a male Essex Skipper"), Marbled White (9), Meadow Brown (3), Cinnabar (2). "0920-1005".

Graeme Davis reports from Rooksbury Mill LNR (SU355445) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (4), Large Skipper (1).

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west), Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Swallow-tailed Moth BF1922 (1 "flying at dusk in my garden and resting on ivy"). "2215".

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore Chalets (SU528025) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (14), Small White (2). "1100".

## Monday 8th July

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton A343 Roadsides (SU355465) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Meadow Brown (18), Marbled White (12), Comma (1), Common Blue (1), Speckled Wood (2), Ringlet (2).

Robin Harley reports from Compton Road, New Milton (SZ240947) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "in the back garden"). "couldn't grab my camera quick enough!".

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton A343 Roadsides (SU345465) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Brimstone (1), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (6), Ringlet (2), Large Skipper (1).

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU793428) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (6), Speckled Wood (1), Ringlet (25), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Meadow Brown (35), Marbled White (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (21), Ringlet (16), Speckled Wood (12), White Admiral (3 "My first for the year"), Silver-washed Fritillary (13 "My first for the year"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Comma (3), Small Skipper (6), Large Skipper (5), Brimstone (5), Large White (1). "All these recorded on the Pamber Forest transect".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ671996) where the following observations were made: . "I put my moth trap out last night the 7/8 July hoping to catch something, and in the morning there were 50+ moths in and around the trap. Ive Identified some of the moths but there are several Im struggling with I must say. Highlights of the trap were the Elephant Hawkmoth of which there were about (6) One Popular Hawkmoth and many White Ermine moths along with Peppard Moths, Brimstone Moths, and the Lime Speck Pug. There was one that looked like the Checkered Skipper but I havent been able to Id this one as yet."



White Ermine



Elephant Hawkmoth



Poplar Hawkmoth

Roger Pendell reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU647210) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small Heath (25), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (30). "I have spent two hours in perfect weather and cannot believe that I have seen no whites, blues or skippers. Where have they gone?".



Meadow Brown

Ashley Whitlock reports from Straits Inclosure (SU799400) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (10), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (2), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (50), Meadow Brown (50), White Admiral (4), Speckled Wood (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (11). "Straits Inclosure today was disappointing for several reasons, there was no Ice cream van at the end of the ride, there were no sightings of his majesty, and the Silver-Washed Fritillary and White Admirals were low in numbers. Still the numbers are beginning to build and with this heat there should be some activity at the top of the trees by the end of the week instead of Swifts and Swallows!".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Abbots Wood Inclosure (SU810405) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Ringlet (15), Small White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (2), Large Skipper (5), Small Skipper (3), White Admiral (4), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (25). "In Abbots Wood Inclosure it took Mark Tutton and I over an hour to find (2) Silver-Washed Fritillaries, which were in a meadow avidly feeding on Thistle. The other counts were pretty Dire to say the least. It was nice to tick off the Small Skipper today, but the breeze and the heat just about put us all in the shade. We both went to all the Assembly Points in and around Alice but nothing remotely resembling his majesty, and I dont know if this is nearing a record for the latest the Emperor has not been seen in Hampshire but I expect Matthew will put me right."



White Admiral



Ringlet



Silver-washed Fritillary

J M Clark reports from Black Wood, Rotherwick (SU720573) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (4 "In meadows along n edge of wood"), Large Skipper (1), Speckled Wood (5), Marbled White (20 "In meadows along n edge of wood"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "In meadows along n edge of wood"), Ringlet (100 "In meadows along n edge of wood"), Meadow Brown (50 "In meadow along n edge of wood"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Fresh male").

J M Clark reports from Yateley Common MOD (SU828588) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (5 "Males"), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

nick lawrence reports from straits inclosure (SU804400) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2), Large White (1), Ringlet (10), Meadow Brown (10), White Admiral (2), Large Skipper (1), Red Admiral (2), Comma (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (7).

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "male"), Udea prunalis BF1390 (2 "disturbed in sunshine"), Yellow Shell BF1742 (2 "disturbed in sunshine"), Small White (1 "very fresh 2nd brood male"), Comma (1 "very fresh midsummer hutchinsoni form;first sighting"), "in my garden".

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Common (SZ304952) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (7), Meadow Brown (30 "Everywhere, too many to count"), Large Skipper (10). "First marbled whites at this site, and great to see lots of activity from meadow browns and skippers. None stayed still long enough for a photograph."

Alan Butterworth reports from Ober Water, New Forest (SU276029) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (5). "An evening walk (19:30 to 21:00) saw a few large skippers still actively feeding."

Dave Ryves reports from Whitely Pastures/Botley Wood (SU540100) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), White Admiral (2). "Also good numbers of Meadow Brown, Ringlet and Large Skipper."

Geoff Baker reports from Old Down, Kempshott, Basingstoke (SU594483) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Small Skipper (1), Red Kite (1 " " ), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Marbled White (10), Meadow Brown (15), six spot Burnet moth (6 "Burnet moths often seem to share flowers ( knapweed ) with Marbled White"). "Temperature was about 24, but quite blustery. First small skipper of the year for me. Have seen small blues at this site earlier this year, but none on this visit. Only spent about 20 minutes here , as limited lunch time visit, but still quite productive."

Mervyn Grist reports from Facombe (SU400586) where the following observations were made: Dingy Skipper (1 "Worn individual but clearly identifiable"), Brimstone (2), Green Hairstreak (2 "Both a trifle shabby"), Common Blue (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Meadow Brown (20), Small Heath (4), Ringlet (10). "I was amazed to see the elderly Dingy Skipper (definitely NOT second brood) - shows how late this season is. The Green Hairstreak sightings support this."

Sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).

T Marsh reports from SW Dear Leap (SU351078) where the following observations were made: Grayling (1).

T Marsh reports from Mag (SU484276) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (6).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (1 "first to emerge in my garden").

Sunday 7th July

R Bryant reports from Hassock Copse (SU58364) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (3).

Mark tutton reports from Aliceholt (SU802405) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), White Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (15), Ringlet (30), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2), Small Skipper (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Large Skipper (6). "Early morning visit to Aliceholt before the heat built up revealed poor numbers of silver washed and white admiral - hopefully the numbers will build during the week."

Chris Cobb reports from Cams Bay (SU591052) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (9), Marbled White (3). "15:30 to 16:00".

Tim and Sue Graham reports from Stockbridge Down (SU370364) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (100), Dark Green Fritillary (31), Ringlet (12), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Large White (3), Small Skipper (3), Large Skipper (4), Brimstone (1), Common Blue (1 "Female - very battered"), Marbled White (4), Speckled Wood (4). "3-4 pm; 35C".

Alan Butterworth reports from Barton Common (SZ249932) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (8), Large Skipper (4), Small Heath (12), Marbled White (1 "First one of the year for me"). "Hot and sunny 10:30 to 11:30, disappointing to see only one marbled white."

Tim and Sue Graham reports from Stockbridge Down (SU374364) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (1).



### Dark Green Fritillary

Ashley Whitlock reports from Butterwood (SU715522) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), White Admiral (2), Marbled White (1), Large Skipper (2), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (4), Purple Hairstreak (1), Meadow Brown (35), Ringlet (15), Large White (2). "I was visiting my father who lives in Reading today and had a quick trip out to where I cut the mustard so to speak 20 years ago with the Purple Emperor. The woodland looks absolutely splended, its just a shame it wasnt filled with butterflies! Very poor compered to the downland sites visited over the past week or so. The Silver-Washed was only flying around the tree tops and the White Admirals seem to be in a hurry as well, nothing at all on the Blackberry bushes around, or on the many thistles in the wide rides."



Light Emerald



Butterwood

Stuart Read reports from Rookley Sports and Community Centre (SZ504846) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (1), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (6). "Seen at the cricket ground whilst waiting to bat!".

Gwen Easter reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU795429) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1).

Paul Harfield reports from Mill Lawn (SU232033) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (8 "7 males & 1 female"), Meadow Brown (2), Large Skipper (2), "seen between 3pm and 4.30pm in very hot sunny conditions".

Andrew Brookes reports from Briddlesford Copse (SZ547905) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (8), White Admiral (5), Marbled White (4), Meadow Brown (30), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (16), Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "Males").

peter gardner reports from micheldever woods (SU512428) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (16), Large Skipper (11), Small Skipper (3), Speckled Wood (0), Meadow Brown (12). "no frits yet, or white admirals, those yet to come".



Small Skipper



Ringlet



Large Skipper

Roy Symonds reports from Straits Inclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU801400) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Red Admiral (3), Ringlet (40), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (50 "Plus"). "Arrived early at 09.15 and spent two hours here before the temperature reached the mid twenties. On arrival it was already 21 degrees. Plenty of Ringlets and Meadow Browns flying with fresh Silver Washed Fritillaries, although the thistles which these are so fond of feeding upon are not fully flowered. No sign of the White Admiral since I saw the first 2 last month, although I did speak to someone who had seen 2 while I was there, whereupon they had ascended to the trees."

Roy Symonds reports from Goose Green Inclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU806415) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (2), Meadow Brown (4). "Only a few Browns flying here. Temperature 25 degrees. No sign of any Purple Emperors yet, but maybe with the warm weather they may be only a week or so from emerging?"

Roy Symonds reports from Noar Hill (SU745318) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large Skipper (2), Small Heath (13), Common Blue (1), Speckled Wood (4), Ringlet (6), Meadow Brown (11), Marbled White (15), Large White (1), Brimstone (2 "Females"), Small White (2). "From Alice Holt Forest I called in at Noar Hill at 12.30 for two hours, where several Marbled Whites were flying. Overall there was a wider range of butterflies flying. The temperature was an energy draining 24 degrees "

Rog Pendell reports from Noar Hill (SU737322) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (1), Common Blue (2), Ringlet (3), Large Skipper (1), Small Heath (10), Meadow Brown (22), Marbled White (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2).

Andy Bolton reports from Smithley's Copse, Axmansford (SU563608) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1), White Admiral (1 "Power and grace in the morning heat."), Speckled Wood (6).

Sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, So'ton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2).

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore & Thatcher's Copse (SU526035) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (19), Small White (5), Meadow Brown (9), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Speckled Wood (1), Large White (1). "1700".

## Saturday 6th July

Phil Lowe reports from Locks Heath (SU518072) where the following observations were made: [Gatekeeper](#) (1 "Flying round back garden and sitting on various plants"). "Recently had male Meadow Brown also in back garden!"

Martin Pitt reports from Broughton Down (SU291329) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (100), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Scarlet Tiger Moth (1 "On flowering Privet"), Common Blue (10), Speckled Wood (10), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (30), Small Skipper (1), Large White (5), Brimstone (10), Marbled White (50), Brown Argus (2), Dark Green Fritillary (150 "At least - new seen so many - including recent hatchings"), Green Hairstreak (1). "After so many low counts - today restored my faith is searching for butterflies in Hants. The Down was literally alive with butterflies and there were Fritillaries literally everywhere - probably an under estimate".

Martin Pitt reports from Stockbridge Down (SU382348) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Brimstone (10), Small Heath (50 "The commonest species"), Ringlet (10), Meadow Brown (30), Dark Green Fritillary (20 "I would have thought this was a good count but after Broughton Down it was almost disappointing"), Grizzled Skipper (2 "Surely a bit late for these?"), Essex Skipper (1), Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (20), Common Blue (10), Comma (1). "Not bad for an hours visit at approx 2pm on the way back from Broughton Down - however the butterflies were not a visible and certainly the density was much lower here."

peter gardner reports from old winchester hill (SU657201) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (30), Brimstone (51), Small Tortoiseshell (11), Red Admiral (1), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Speckled Wood (2). "a very good day both for butteries and lava and eggs of small tortoiseshell,".



Small Tortoiseshell



Small Tortoiseshell



Dark Green Fritillary

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood, Soberton (SU619127) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (4), Meadow Brown (30), Ringlet (7), Large White (1), Marbled White (3), Brimstone (2), Large Skipper (11). "25 C in the shade; disappointing species tally."

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU622051) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (12), Large Skipper (2), Marbled White (3), Brimstone (10 Larval), Common Blue (0 "3"), Brimstone (1).

Mary and Michael Gwilliam escorted by Ian Calderwood visited two sites at DSDA, Gosport where the following observations were made - Bedenham Grasslands SU593043: Small Skipper 9 [a sample netted for identification], Large Skipper 6, White-letter Hairstreak 9, Common Blue 4, Small Tortoiseshell 1, Comma 1, Speckled Wood 9, Marbled White 3, Meadow Brown 77 and Small Heath 2. Meadows west of the Marsh Orchid site SU596035: Small Skipper 5, Grizzled Skipper 1 (in good condition), Brimstone 1, Common Blue 3, Marbled White 13, Meadow Brown 43 and Small Heath 24.

Sue Lambert reports from Deerleap (SU350094) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (3), Silver Y Moth (1), Speckled Wood (6), Large Skipper (6), White Admiral (3), Meadow Brown (3), Silver-studded Blue (8 "2 females"). "An afternoon visit to Deerleap yielded three new species for me this year, White Admiral, Small Skipper and Silver-studded Blue. The latter were on the bell heather as this was the only species in flower. There were not as many butterflies as last year but at least they are starting to fly."



White Admiral



Silver-studded Blue



Small Skipper

Colin Baker reports from Straits Inclosure (SU801399) where the following observations were made: [Silver-washed Fritillary](#) (1), Green Oak Tortrix (8), Red Admiral (1), White Admiral (1), Large Skipper (7), Comma (1), Ringlet (25), Meadow Brown (12). "Clearly the summer butterflies are in their early summer stage at the Straits Inclosure but the target species were found albeit in the smallest of numbers. The real winner from last summer appears to be the Ringlet which can be found all along the forest ride along with smaller numbers of Meadow Brown. The odd Nymphalid made an appearance with singletons of both Red



Admiral and Comma but the highlight had to be the single White Admiral which made an appearance to prove to the company I had seen one, and Silver-washed Fritillary, my first of the year. Male Large Skippers could be found perched on overhanging leaves in readiness for any passing female. It does seem Mother Nature is upping the game as I found a Peacock larval nest, something that is being recorded on many websites so we all should be in for a summer treat later. Moths were restricted to the odd Green Oak Tortrix that would venture into the ride only to return just as quickly."



No description



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Mike Gibbons reports: "I saw my first 2 Purple Hairstreaks this evening over oaks in my Christchurch garden, this is the latest first emergence I can remember here. The weather was certainly warm enough to get them to whizz around in the canopy at this time of day."

david gower reports from aldershot common (SU845502) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (3), cinnebar moth (1), Meadow Brown (17), Essex Skipper (3), Silver-studded Blue (35 "3 female").

david gower reports from aldershot common (SU836500) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (2), brown plume moth (1), Brimstone (2 "females"), Meadow Brown (3), Silver-studded Blue (11 "all male"). "a lot more skippers seen but couldn't get close enough to be sure if Essex or small."

Paul Crook reports from The Straits Enclosure (SU798402) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5), [Silver-washed Fritillary](#) (1), Red Admiral (3), Ringlet (10), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (50), Comma (1), Large Skipper (2).



Silver-washed Fritillary



Red Admiral

peter gardner reports from kingsley dale (SU786374) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (25). "a great surprise walk never seen so many silver studded blues".



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue

Mark tutton reports from Ladle hill (SU479569) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (3), Small elephant hawk moth (0 "Absolutely pristine as it had just emerged and was just dry."), Meadow Brown (10), Large Skipper (4), Common Blue (1), Dark Green Fritillary (4). "Stopped off at ladle hill on the way back from seeing high brown fritillary to see the Burt Orchids which were perfectly in flower - also saw numbers of frog orchids in flower".

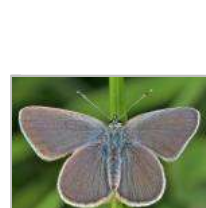
Ashley and Jackie Whitlock reports from Meon Valley (SU621237) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (8), Speckled Wood (1), Common Blue (9), Meadow Brown (100), Large Skipper (10), Marbled White (35), Ringlet (100), Large White (2), Small White (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Blue (50), Small Heath (40), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Brimstone (2). "An excellent afternoon at a site in the Meon Valley with butterflies flying all over the place, with several reaching the grand totals of one hundred plus. In addition to these there were mating six-spotted Burnet Moths, Silver Y moths, Mother Shipton Moths Cinnabar Moths."



Six-spot Burnet



Marbled White



Small Blue

I A Smith reports from Lee on the Solent (SU569000) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "Ended up in our conservatory briefly. Have video footage").

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (4), Meadow Brown (4). "Temperature 22 degrees with little flying along the main track."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (5), Meadow Brown (9), Brimstone (1 "Male"), Common Blue (1), Large White (1). "Temperature 22 degrees. Marbled Whites and Meadow Browns flying around the long grass at the back of the fort."

Roger Pendell reports from Alice Holt Straits Inclosure (SU806401) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (13), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Large Skipper (1), Ringlet (21).





Ringlet

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs Lake/ Alver Vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small Heath (44), Marbled White (36), Meadow Brown (88), Large Skipper (19), Small Skipper (44), Small Heath (0), Common Blue (1).

## Friday 5th July

Thelma Smalley reports from Spring Gardens (SU5731) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (12 "Some were on the watercress beds, others were on the grass verges beside the streams. ").

Tim Doran reports from IBM Lake (Cosham) (SU648052) where the following observations were made: White-letter Hairstreak (2 "around tops of usual elms along N edge of site - W of entrance roundabout"), Marbled White (2).

Ashley Whitlock reports from New Forest where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (6), Silver-studded Blue (20), Meadow Brown (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary (15). "On what can only be described as a perfect day, I only wish the specie count was as good. Very disappointing all round in the New Forest today. The measure of the counts was a struggle even to see the Meadow Brown, which I would have thought would have been out in good numbers now, and in the meadows inside the Forest the Marbled White is still absent. Good numbers of Small-Pearl Bordered Fritillaries though, with several of the males and females still in very good condition. The Silver-Studded Blue is now coming out in good numbers and several mating pairs were observed. I seem to be seeing at least one Small Tortoiseshell now at every site I go to which is extremely good news."



Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary



Large Skipper



Silver-studded Blue

John Stacey reports from Pamber Forest (SU6160) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Meadow Brown (100), Large Skipper (12), Ringlet (1), White Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (40). "Ringlet & silver-washed fritillary are the first I have seen in the forest this year,(see photo).One brimstone egg laying on alder buckthorn. A few meadow browns in forest, prolific in meadow between Plough & forest gate. Protect yourself from ticks if visiting this site."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Hawkshill Inclosure (SU348024) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (1), Large Skipper (6), Dark Green Fritillary (1). "A pretty poor show at this site today, with a surprise in the observation of the Dark Green Fritillary, of which I would have thought may have come out later, as they have only come out on the chalk. Not much sign of much else, Meadow Brown and Marbled Whites were a non entity."



Dark Green Fritillary



Hawkshill Enclosure

Ashley Whitlock reports from Hatchet Moor (SU365020) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (50), Small Heath (7). "Not many species about but the Silver-Studded Blue was out in force with many on the wing around the Hawkshill car-Park area, and several mating pairs. Good numbers of Small Heath as well."



Silver-studded Blue

Barry Collins reports from Havant Thicket (SU715106) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (4), Large Skipper (15), Brimstone (3 "females"), Meadow Brown (24), Ringlet (14), Small Heath (1). "A cycle ride on some of the tracks around Havant Thicket from 1000 to 1130."

R A Hume reports from Fritham Plain (SU225135) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (10), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Small Heath (75), Silver-studded Blue (40 "Plus 15-20 on Hampton Ridge, but numbers a bit irrelevant as "the more you walk, the more you see" in suitable habitat").

Hazel Pratt reports from Caesar's Camp (SU398595) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (14 "12m, 2f. All in pristine condition. My first sighting of this species this year."), Meadow Brown (2), Small Heath (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (1), Large Skipper (1), Brimstone (1 "Male"), Meadow Brown (5). "Hot day temperature was 20 degrees. Pleased to see my first Marbled White of the year."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (4), Marbled White (4), Small White (1), Meadow Brown (19). "Temperature of 20 degrees. Marbled Whites were feeding on Ox-Eye daisys."

Stuart Read reports from Wight Salads Macketts Lane site (SZ544839) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (9), Small White (1), Meadow Brown (30), Red Admiral (1), Large White (1), Marbled White (1), Common Blue (7), Large Skipper (1). "Recorded on Wight Salads' conservation meadows on Macketts Lane with Steve and Teri Benstead."

Stuart Read reports from Wight Salads main site (SZ550844) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (3), Small Tortoiseshell (10), Meadow Brown (45). "The small tortoiseshells seemingly very partial to rapeseed!".

Stuart Read reports from Merstone station (SZ526846) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Large Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Meadow Brown (20).

Stuart Read reports from Sandown-Newport Cycleway (SZ5284) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5). "Recorded on the cycleway between Hordingford and Merstone. I was riding along this section at about 18:00 and butterflies were still very active."

David Tinling reports from Haslar(south-west),Gosport (SZ614981) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (15 "males"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "summer brood,taking creeping thistle nectar"), Common Blue (6 "3 males & 3 females;very old 1st brood"), Small Skipper (2 "males,one taking white clover nectar"), Large Skipper (2 "males taking nectar from common mallow & creeping thistle"). "0910-0930".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2 "males"), Small White (2 "old males,one taking creeping thistle nectar"). "1000-1010".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-east),Gosport (SZ608985) where the following observations were made: Six-spot Burnet (1 "taking nectar from bird's-foot trefoil"), Small Heath (2), Cinnabar (1), Marbled White (3 "males"), Meadow Brown (10 "males"), Small Skipper (1 "male"), Common Blue (4 "males"). "1015-1130".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (2 "males"), Meadow Brown (4 "males,one taking cat's-ear nectar"), Six-spot Burnet (1 "taking creeping thistle nectar"), Large Skipper (2 "males"), Small Skipper (1 "male"), Small White (2 "males"), Common Blue (1 "very old male"). "1025-1100".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west),Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "male"), Small Heath (2), Cinnabar (2), Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (9 "some taking nectar from tufted vetch & meadow vetchling"), Small Skipper (1 "male"), Small White (2 "male & female taking thrift nectar"), Common Blue (2 "males"), Marbled White (1 "male"). "1440-1510".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west),Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (3 "males"), Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (25 "including 2 mating pairs,some taking nectar from meadow vetchling,tufted vetch & knapweed"), Six-spot Burnet (1 "taking knapweed nectar"), **Essex Skipper** (5 "4 males & 1 female;tips of antennae completely black;first sighting"), Small White (2 "males"), Common Blue (2 "males"), Large Skipper (2 "male taking bramble nectar & female"), Small Skipper (10 "males"). "1510-1615".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(east),Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (1 "male"), Meadow Brown (1 "male"), Cinnabar Moth (3). "1755-1815".

Mark Pike reports from New Forest/Shatterford Area (SU347065) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Large Skipper (5), Meadow Brown (2), Silver-studded Blue (30), Small Heath (12), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Brimstone (1). "Visit was made across a wide area centering around Beaulieu Rd station from 0830 to 1330, very warm (23-24) and just a light wind. All Silver Studded Blues's were very fresh."



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue

Graham Dennis reports from Old Burghclere Lime Quarry (SU470575) where the following observations were made: Marbled White (10), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (1), wood tiger (1), Marbled White (10), Meadow Brown (50), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (5), Small Blue (30), Common Blue (5), Dark Green Fritillary (10), Green Hairstreak (1), Large Skipper (1).

Alan Butterworth reports from Beaulieu Heath (SU352002) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (11), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Silver-studded Blue (25). "Warm day, scattered clouds. S-s blues very active with a few egg-laying females".



Silver-studded Blue



Silver-studded Blue

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field (SU382161) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Golden-ringed Dragonfly (1), Large Skipper (15), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (10).

## Thursday 4th July

Rob Skinner reports from Broughton Down (SU290329) where the following observations were made: (1), Large Skipper (1), Dark Green Fritillary (40 "Plenty freshly emerged on such a warm day. The most abundant butterfly of the day."). "Too many Dark Green's to count without being on a transect. Must have caught them at their peak emergence."

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3 "summer brood,one taking bramble nectar"). "1605-1630".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west),Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (3), Small White (1 "2nd brood male"), Small Skipper (1 "male"), Small Tortoiseshell (5 "summer brood"). "1645-1715".

David Tinling reports from Browndown Field,Gosport (SZ573996) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "2nd brood"), Small Heath (2), Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (1). "1715-1730".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (1 "first female"). "1735".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(oak copse),Gosport (SZ583999) where the following observations were made: **Purple Hairstreak** (1 "flying in evening sunshine in the tree-tops"), Speckled Wood (2). "1800".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Cinnabar (1), Yellow Shell (1 "disturbed in sunshine"), Common Darter (1 "female"), Large Skipper (2 "male & female"), Small Skipper (5 "4 males & 1 female basking & roosting on grass stems"), Six-spot Burnet (1). "1825-1905".

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU623224) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (11 "In 2011 on the same site I would have seen over 80"). "2 Scarlet Tiger moths in the garden".

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads south (SU711273) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Small Tortoiseshell (2 Larval), Large White (1), Speckled Wood (5). "pleasant day for a walk, the whites are mostly from the rape fields".



Speckled Wood



Small White



Small Tortoiseshell larvae

Roger Pendell reports from Petersfield Heath (SU748232) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (5), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small Skipper (1), Meadow Brown (27), Marbled White (4).

### Wednesday 3rd July

Dave Pearson reports from Broughton Down (SU290329) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (3), Small Heath (10), Speckled Wood (4), Dark Green Fritillary (16), Brimstone (1), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (4), Common Blue (2). "Just a short visit so could be a lot more!".

Tim Graham reports from MHD - Extension (SU514292) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (3), Brown Argus (1), Red Admiral (1), Marbled White (12), Meadow Brown (15).

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Mullein Moth BF2221 (4 Larval "large larva photographed feeding on the leaves of Buddleia globosa in my garden").

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads west (SU713269) where the following observations were made: Peacock (30 Larval), Speckled Wood (1). "taking a short cut a cross a field saw these lava and a single speckled wood".



Speckled Wood



Peacock larvae

Sue Lambert reports from Madgalan Hill Down (SU506291) where the following observations were made: Cinnebar Moth (1 "In the bottom car park"), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Seen after the walk during lunch."), Large Skipper (4), Small Heath (1), Marbled White (9), Meadow Brown (3), Common Blue (1), 5-spot Burnet Moth (2), Ringlet (17). "The 'Wednesday wander' was well attended. The weather was dry but there was not much sun. There were a few butterflies down the hill where it is more sheltered. Jane spotted an emerging Marbled white. The Marbled white and ringlet were a first for me this year. The Skylarks are still singing along with a Yellowhammer and Chiffchaff. There was a good display of orchids on the chalk scrapes. Some of the butterflies were seen after the walk close to the hedge.".



Marbled White



Ringlet



Large Skipper

### Tuesday 2nd July

D Bateman reports from Clarence Road (SZ583820) where the following observations were made: Common Swift (1 "Night flying, attracted to light. Large specimen.").

### Monday 1st July

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Lock foreshore (SZ675986) where the following observations were made: Small White (4), Large Skipper (2), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Holly Blue (3), Large White (2). "After work again along the Milton Lock foreshore, and the species are coming out now, the first time I've ever noted the Large Skipper at this site. One of the Small Tortoiseshells was in a very poor condition, and I suspect this was one from the Continent. Nice to see the Holly Blue is still on the wing, they do not stand out so much now against the backdrop of trees and bushes, as they have lost that sky blue colouration, having been so active over the past few days enjoying the fruits of the sunshine....at last!".

Sue Lambert reports from Horns Drove Wood (SU381166) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1), Speckled Wood (1).



Meadow Brown

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field (SU382162) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (4), Meadow Brown (3), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "All very fresh").



Small Tortoiseshell

Paul Roberts reports from Stockbridge Down (SU384346) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Ringlet (4), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (20), Speckled Wood (4), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Common Blue (3), Large Skipper (3), Meadow Brown (6). "Some cloud but interspersed with hot sunny periods."

peter gardner reports from shortheath common (SU775367) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (4), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "blues extinct to this site now,very few butterflies at all very pleased to se the two small tortoiseshells".



Small Tortoiseshell



Meadow Brown



Small Tortoiseshell

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: White Plume Moth BF1513 (1 "Pterophorus pentadactyla disturbed in daylight"), Cyclamen Tortrix BF993 (1 "Clepsia spectrana disturbed in daylight"). "0800 in my garden".

David Tinling reports from Alver Meadow,Gosport (SZ586998) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "very fresh summer brood"). "1515".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "very fresh summer brood"), Speckled Wood (5 "one taking bramble nectar"), Small Heath (1), Common Blue (1 "male"), Red Admiral (2), Large Skipper (3 "one taking bramble nectar"), Large White (1 "2nd brood male taking bramble nectar"). "1550-1610 & 1640-1715".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Cinnabar Moth (1), Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (1), Burnet Companion (3 "flying higher & further in the early evening sunshine than the very low very short flights that they perform when disturbed in midday sunshine"), Large Skipper (2 "males"), Small Skipper (3 "males taking red clover nectar"). "1715-1840".

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 "vey fresh summer brood taking nectar from begonia & lobelia in my garden and from bramble in the adjacent field"), Small White (1 "very old & small male"). "1000-1030".

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## Saturday 31st August

Gary palmer reports from barton common (SZ248931) where the following observations were made: Bufftip moth (100 Larval "only found on mature willow"), Common white wave (1 Larval "on birch sapling"), Scalloped hook tip (1 Larval "on birch sapling"), Knot grass (1 Larval "on willow sapling"), Pebble prominent (1 Larval "on willow sapling"), Peppered moth (1 Larval "on birch sapling"). "A short walk on the common in a very small area found the above, of note the scalloped hook tip larva looked for all the world like a browned birch catkin when i first saw it basking on a leaf."



Common White Wave



Pebble Prominent



Scalloped Hook-tip

Mark tutton reports from Beacon hill (SU604224) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Brown Argus (26), Chalkhill Blue (17), Clouded Yellow (7), Common Blue (100), Gatekeeper (21), Dingy Skipper (1 "Second brood"), Large White (19), Meadow Brown (100), Peacock (2), Silver-spotted Skipper (28), Small White (50), Speckled Wood (9), Small Heath (20), Small Copper (2), Small Tortoiseshell (4).

Mark tutton reports from Old Winchester hill (SU639209) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (12), Brown Argus (50), Chalkhill Blue (500), Clouded Yellow (9), Common Blue (40), Gatekeeper (19), Large White (25), Brimstone (7), Meadow Brown (100), Silver-spotted Skipper (31), Small Copper (3), Small Heath (26), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Small White (35).

Mark tutton reports from Coulter's dean (SU747191) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Brown Argus (4), Common Blue (18), Gatekeeper (8), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (30), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Heath (6), Small White (22).

Mark tutton reports from Queen Elizabeth country park (SU737173) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (12), Gatekeeper (8), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (16), Small Heath (2), Small White (13).

Mark tutton reports from Chalton down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9), Brown Argus (15), Chalkhill Blue (500), Clouded Yellow (7), Common Blue (100), Gatekeeper (20), Large White (25), Meadow Brown (100), Painted Lady (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (1 "First for me at this site"), Small Heath (18), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small Heath (25), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (35).

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Small White (44), Green-veined White (4), Large White (2), Brimstone (6 "5 Male 1 Female"), Chalkhill Blue (8), Common Blue (48), Meadow Brown (30), Speckled Wood (2), Small Heath (5), Clouded Yellow (4). "Pleased to see the Clouded Yellows still flying around the site."

Peter Vaughan writes: "Sightings at Noar Hill (SU7431) on Saturday 21 August included a single Clouded Yellow form helice butterfly. Also seen were Small White, Large White, Brimstone, Small Heath, Silver-washed Fritillary, Small Tortoiseshell, Comma, Gatekeeper and Common Blue butterflies and Silver-Y moth."



Clouded Yellow

## Friday 30th August

Diana upton-crouch reports from Portsmouth (SZ633933) where the following observations were made: Jersey tiger moth (1 "Seen in our garden laying eggs").

Peter E. Hutchins reports from Turrill Hill (SU505489) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (4 "Three remaining about the 'dog field', now keeping to the south-west corner where Lucerne's still in flower, with a further individual along the east - west track between the road and Jackson's Copse"). "The three+ Clouded Yellow about the 'dog field' have been present for some days, possibly weeks, now."

Gary palmer reports from Shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: small angle shades (1 Larval). "Found above whilst weeding a border in the garden."



Small Angle Shades larva

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU722268) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2), Small Tortoiseshell (21), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (2), Large White (3), Small White (4). "after spending a week in sussex we are suffering from withdraw symptoms of not seeing a peacock or a red admiral all week plenty's of clouded yellows every wee we went".





Small Tortoiseshell



Red Admiral and Comma



Comma and Small Tortoiseshell

Roy Symonds reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU645211) where the following observations were made: Small White (81), Large White (5), Green-veined White (1 "confirmed"), Brimstone (2 "Male"), Common Blue (33), Adonis Blue (8), Meadow Brown (40), Speckled Wood (5), Small Heath (31), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (9), Clouded Yellow (4). "A warm day where the temperature was 20.5 degrees. Pleased to see my first Adonis Blues this year and Silver Spotted Skippers. Clouded Yellows seem to be turning up everywhere, one was flying behind the fort area, another was on the slope as you emerge from the woods heading for the bottom of the car car slope, while two were flying at the bottom of the car park slope in company with Adonis Blues."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (6), Gatekeeper (1 "Female"), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Green-veined White (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "1 male, the other 2 were flying-poss a pair"), Painted Lady (1), Small White (40), Speckled Wood (43), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Common darters and hawkers (0). "One s/w on the large buddleia bush, the other 2 flying nearby."

## Thursday 29th August

Gary palmer reports from highcliffe garden (SZ198942) where the following observations were made: Small White (9), Large White (1), Red Admiral (3), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (7). "All on buddleia whist working in the a garden this morning."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (14 "6males, 8 females"), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (3), Meadow Brown (1 "Females"), Painted Lady (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Male"), Small White (22), Speckled Wood (28). "Not much time for a walk today, and quite cloudy. Yesterday the s/w Frits were well along the path with most near or on the large buddleia past the bridge. The male today was near the entrance, in the company of the painted lady."

Mark Tutton reports from Small Down (SU669200) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (35), Gatekeeper (20), Large White (15), Meadow Brown (42), Small Copper (2), Small White (60), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Mark tutton reports from Old Winchester hill (SU642213) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (17), Brown Argus (22), Chalkhill Blue (500), Clouded Yellow (14), Common Blue (50), Gatekeeper (22), Large White (30), Meadow Brown (100), Silver-spotted Skipper (27), Small Copper (5), Small Heath (24), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Large White (30), Brimstone (12), Small White (100).

## Wednesday 28th August

Mark Milham reports from Newbridge. (SZ413878) where the following observations were made: Large Copper (F) (1). "Large Copper (F) First ive seen, it was very tatty & i had to wade through nettles in shorts to get close enough to take photos (i now have very itchy legs).. ". (I am reliably informed that this is a Small Copper)



Small Copper



Small Copper

Paul Harfield reports from Oak Lodge School (SU401070) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "Seen flying through mid morning whilst working in this location."

Mark Wagstaff reports from Hook (SU499040) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "On the beach by Hook Links scrape"), Small Copper (2 "By Hook Links - in pristine condition").

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "single present every day on Buddleia recently"), Hummingbird Hawkmoth (1 "present every evening for last few days, feeding at Honeysuckle, Joe Pye Weed and Buddleia"), Silver Y (17 "minimum number in small area of garden c.8-8.30pm"). "I thought Silver Y numbers might have peaked when there were 15-20 individuals at Buddleia, Agapanthus and Digitalis ferruginea one evening a couple of weeks ago, but tonight's numbers are back up: 11+ on one single Buddleia, with 6+ others at Marjoram and a second Buddleia. Thank goodness - for urban gardeners - for migrants!"

Ian Pratt reports from Areton Down (SZ535872) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (1), Chalkhill Blue (100), Meadow Brown (5), Large White (5), Small White (3). "Lovely to see an Adonis blue at this site with all the Chalkhill blues."

T Marsh reports from West Deer Leap Colbury (SU340097) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Speckled Wood (12), Painted Lady (1), Small White (4), Common Hawker (1 "Dragonfly"), Broad-bodied chaser (1).

Mervyn Grist reports from Stockbridge Down (SU381348) where the following observations were made: Silver-spotted Skipper (1 "beside grass track"), Clouded Yellow (3 "all males"), Brimstone (2), Large White (3), Small White (30), Green-veined White (1), Small Copper (1), Brown Argus (1), Common Blue (23), Chalkhill Blue (74 "nearlyhalf were females"), Adonis Blue (5 "checked black chevrons on white fringes"), Painted Lady (1 "a pleasant surprise"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "female"), Gatekeeper (1), Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (30). "The 17 species total for an afternoon circular walk reflects the diversity of habitat on this well known NT property".

Ian Hainsworth reports from Keyhaven (SZ3161) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "First I have seen this year").

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (8), Common Blue (2 "Males"), Gatekeeper (3 "Males"), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (1 "Female"), Peacock (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (5 "4 males, 1 female"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Brimstone (23 "12 males, 11 females"), Small White (30), Speckled Wood (45), Painted Lady (1), Silver-y. 2 (0), 7 hornets, (0), 1 male golden ringed, many darte (0). "Speckled woods were very numerous and on fleabane. The g/r hung up very considerably. Bright sunshine."

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

Sue Davies reports from West Newtown NT IOW (SZ411912) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (7), Common Blue (7), Gatekeeper (50 "plus"), Green-veined White (2), Holly Blue (1), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (22), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (3), Small Heath (5), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Small White (50 "plus"), Speckled Wood (7), Wall (1), Long-tailed Blue (0). "9-10.30am hot sunny light wind".

sue davis reports from Brickfields NT Newtown IOW (SZ424921) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (9), Gatekeeper (20 "plus"), Green-veined White (1), Holly Blue (1), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (13), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (3), Small Heath

(7), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (50 "plus- many in meadow area"), Speckled Wood (3), Wall (1), Shaded Broad-bar (20 "plus"), Treble Bar (2), Silver Y (17), Straw Dot (5). "16.30-18.00, moths v active, butterflies starting to roost. hot sunny still."

## Tuesday 27th August

Richard Carpenter reports from Brownich Cliffs (SU5202) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Holly Blue (1).

David Buckler reports from Noar Hill (SU742320) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (3 "poss.4, inc 1f, 1m, on small ash trees."), Clouded Yellow (5 "Inc. 1 helice."), Comma (2), Peacock (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (10), Common Blue (50), Small Heath (20), Brimstone (20), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (10). "Mid-day. Lovely and hot, slight breeze. Butterflies everywhere, many meadow brown."



Clouded Yellow



Clouded Yellow f. *helice*

Gary palmer reports from Shirley Holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (6), Gatekeeper (3), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1), Comma (1), Holly Blue (2), Common Blue (7), Small Copper (2), Brimstone (2 "male and female"), Green-veined White (1 "female"), Large White (5), Small White (9), yellow shell (1), brimstone moth (2), pyrausta aurata (1). "a walk around the garden mid day found the above."

Robin Turner reports from Waggoners Way, Grayshott (SU861354) where the following observations were made: Grayling (1 "A surprising visitor to the garden"), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Another first for the garden, didn't stop for a photograph"), Common Blue (1), Small Copper (2), Green-veined White (3), Small White (5), Large White (3), Brimstone (4), Holly Blue (1), Silver Y (1), Vapourer (1). "This amazing summer continues to delight, with good numbers of butterflies whenever the sun shines. Planting lots of nectar-bearing plants is really paying off."



Grayling



Small Tortoiseshell



Small Copper

Mike Gregory reports from Peel Common (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Large White (20), Small White (14), Comma (1), Common Blue (3), Speckled Wood (7), Meadow Brown (12).

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Green-veined White (2), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (1 "Rarely found in the meadow but the field in adjacent to woodland"), Silver Y moth (1 "Lighter in colour than previous moths"). "Very hot day, buddleia going over fast. Plants in the meadow are aging quickly."

Ted Pressey reports from Freshwater (SZ333873) where the following observations were made: Jersey Tiger (1 "Photo attached").



Jersey Tiger

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (22 "Split about 50/50 male/female"), Clouded Yellow (3 "2 chasing each other"), Comma (5), Gatekeeper (3), Meadow Brown (1 "Female"), Green-veined White (2), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (7), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Small Skipper (1), Small White (11), Speckled Wood (17), Several common darters (0), Many migrant and southern hawker (0).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: silver-y moth (3). "These pics go with previous sighting. A lovely comma, a speckled wood with missing wings reminding me of an Apollo and accidental flying brimstone". (Photos not received)

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Street garden, Portchester (SU620050) where the following observations were made: Large White (5), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Small White (7). "All nectaring on buddleja and Verbena bonariensis. Buddleja davidii cvs. 'Autumn Beauty' and 'Border Beauty' currently the most popular."

chris piatkiewicz reports from St Catherine's Hill (SU483274) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5), Adonis Blue (3 "all males"), Silver-spotted Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Brown Argus (20), Chalkhill Blue (50 "most of the males well worn"), Common Blue (25), Painted Lady (1 "near car park").

I A Smith reports from Lee on the Solent (SU563005) where the following observations were made: Silver Y (12 "and throughout the last week, in numbers all around my garden at dusk").

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Oxey Marsh (SZ3393) where the following observations were made: Wall (3). "Along sea wall around Oxey Marsh".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Pennington Marsh (SZ3292) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Wall (1). "Along sea wall between Oxey Marsh and Fishtail lagoon".

Phil Hooper reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU643210) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (50), Common Blue (20), Clouded Yellow (6), Small Tortoiseshell (17), Small Heath (50), Brimstone (20), Red Admiral (3), Peacock (2), Speckled Wood (7), Large White (15), Small White (15), Small Copper (4).

## Monday 26th August

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield Heath (SU754229) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (3), Common Blue (13), Small Copper (13). "Encountered these during a heather survey this morning. My weekly counts only cover around 25% of the heather so this is probably near a max. count for these species."

Mark Wagstaff reports from Brownwich (SU527027) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5). "5 Clouded Yellow seen along Brownwich cliffs and in scrub close to Titchfield Haven entrance".

jim smith reports from noar hill (SU742320) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (1 "Female low down on hazel clump"). "Found by couple I was chatting to,at begin of path towards top pit".



Brown Hairstreak

Clive Wood reports from Sparsholt College chalk scrape (SU416325) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (10), Small White (4), Brown Argus (2), Small Copper (3), Comma (1), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (1). "Seen on newly-created chalk scrape on warm afternoon mainly feeding on Birds-foot Trefoil. Was looking for second brood Small Blues but none to be seen."

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/ alver vally(SU5700) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (2), Common Blue (28), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (4), Meadow Brown (63), Small Heath (13), Small Copper (1), Speckled Wood (5), Large White (65), Small White (5).

Mike Gregory reports from Lee-on-the-solent (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Gary palmer reports from crockford close new milton (SZ248963) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 " "). "Whilst cleaning out a bird box on the back of my home i found the above roosting inside one of the compartments."



Small Tortoiseshell

Clive Wood reports from Farmland adjoining Sparsholt College (SU415325) where the following observations were made: The Magpie moth Abraxas grossula (5). "Seen during WCBS survey in hedgerows adjoining arable fields".

Gary palmer reports from barton common (SZ246931) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Small White (12), Large White (6), Holly Blue (1 "female"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "male"), Meadow Brown (3), Wall (1 "female"). "On a short visit only into the pit next to the car park i found the above on buddleia, of note my first confirmed record of wall in this area of the common and first for the common for some time."



Clouded Yellow



Wall



Silver-washed Fritillary

Michael Scoggins reports from Woodlands allotments, Overton (SU512494) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "A singleton that spent several minutes flying around the allotments. "), Brimstone (1 "Male. Quite a frequently encountered species at this site this year."), Holly Blue (1). "In addition to the three species mentioned above the warm sunny afternoon brought the 'whites' out in force today. Significant increase in numbers compared to last year."

Alan Butterworth reports from Milford-on-sea cliffs (SZ282915) where the following observations were made: Large White (15), Small White (12), Clouded Yellow (6). "Short walk along the cliff top on a very warm morning between 09:00 and 09:45 resulted in a lot of activity from large and small whites and included the clouded yellows."



Clouded Yellow

I A Smith reports from Titchfield Haven Nature Reserve (536024) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (4), Small Tortoiseshell (13), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (2), Comma (1).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Ramsdean Down (SU711200) where the following observations were made: Dark Green Fritillary (4), Brimstone (8), Common Blue (100), Large White (100), Small White (100), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1000), Small Heath (50), Clouded Yellow (8), Brown Argus (8), Silver-spotted Skipper (1), Small Copper (3), Gatekeeper (5), Chalkhill Blue (22), Small Tortoiseshell (52), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Peacock (6), Small Skipper (1), Red Admiral (1). "An afternoon stroll around Ramsdean Down and Grandfathers Bottom I was actually looking for the Silver Spotted Skipper, and I only found one,in the butterfly frenzy which ensued. The butterfly count was actually amazing.... the best count of Common Blue ever encountered, the best part of 100 but towards 500 would be more accurate. The Small Tortoiseshell just went crazy at the bottom of Butser Hill,I counted over (50) which is the best count ever in 25 odd years but I must of missed just as many as I didnt kn ow where to look it was phenomenal! Large Whites and Small Whites and Small Heaths and Meadow Browns have just had a party, and Im not sure when its going to end. The biggest surprise was the Dark Green Fritillary still on the wing looking totally shot away, but still chasing off other butterflies on their patch.... glorius!".



Dark Green Fritillary



Small Heath



mall Tortoiseshell

Andy Tremain reports from Itchen (SU442116) where the following observations were made: Jersey Tiger (1 "In Buddleia bush at bottom of garden").

J R Moon, on behalf of Bulford Conservation Group reports from Perham Ranges (south) (SU2446) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (60), Brimstone (32), Speckled Wood (5), Small Heath (21), Small White (25), Peacock (9), Gatekeeper (29), Brown Argus (30), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Small Copper (10), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Comma (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (10 "All along southern edge of Ashdown Copse"), Green-veined White (1), Large White (4), Clouded Yellow (9), Silver-spotted Skipper (3 "A new area on Perham Ranges for this species"), Purple Hairstreak (3), Red Admiral (1), Brown Hairstreak (6 "All in Bedlam Bottom"). "More records to follow. 21 butterfly species seen during the day in this interesting area of MoD land."

J R Moon, on behalf of Bulford Conservation Group reports from Perham Ranges (south) (SU2446) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (150), Treble Bar moth (200), Magpie moth (1), Silver Y moth (2), Straw-dot moth (1).

Ed Merritt reports from Sloden Inclosure (SU201129) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "One male and one female"), Speckled Wood (3), Brimstone (1), Small Copper (1), Peacock (1), Meadow Brown (2).

Ed Merritt reports from Hampton Ridge (SU189137) where the following observations were made: Grayling (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Clouded Yellow (1).



Clouded Yellow

Andrew Brookes reports from Clamerkin Farm (SZ437907) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5), Comma (1), Common Blue (9 "Only one female"), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (1), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (17), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (20). "Almost all seen nectaring on Fleabane."

Andrew Brookes reports from Buddle Inn, Niton (SZ502757) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Large White (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (10). "All nectaring on buddlejas around the pub car park."

Andrew Brookes reports from Ventnor Botanic Garden (SZ547768) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Holly Blue (1), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (1 "Nectaring avidly on Passion Flower"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (5).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750984) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (4), Common Blue (7), Gatekeeper (9), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (12), Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (19).

Mark tutton reports from Northney common (SU730039) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (12), Gatekeeper (7), Green-veined White (4), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (16), Holly Blue (1), Small Copper (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (18).

Mark tutton reports from Ramsdean down (SU716207) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (17), Gatekeeper (12), Large White (16), Meadow Brown (50), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Heath (7), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (32), Speckled Wood (2).

Chris Rose reports from Old Down Wood (SU657331) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (6), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (8), Ringlet (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Looked extremely worn out"), Small White (11), Speckled Wood (7).

Chris Rose reports from Andrews Lane / Lye Way (SU658318) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Male, seen with Small Whites on the edge of the fields"), Common Blue (1), Gatekeeper (2), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (4), Red Admiral (2), Small White (12). "First Clouded Yellow for me in the area".

Sue Davies reports from Thorley Meadow (SZ366897) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5), Common Blue (4), Green-veined White (3), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (7), Peacock (2), Small Heath (1), Small Tortoiseshell (5), Red Admiral (1), Small White (20 "plus"), Speckled Wood (1), Large White (1). "Field margin set aside- viewed from adjacent garden- full of flowers and butterflies, hot sunny still at mid-day."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ671996) where the following observations were made: "I have just put out my moth trap again the night of the 26/27 August, and the moth count has dropped somewhat since July, but the specie count has totally changed, and in the egg boxes were (6) Garden Tiger Moths, and an old Lady which I've never seen before. The August Thorn was a beauty, quite happy in the company of the Garden Tigers. In the trap was also many Wasps and Bumble Bees, which shows they are really early risers in the morning. There was also a butterfly which flew away before being ID, but I have a suspicion it was a Painted Lady which in my experiences in the Royal Navy they do actually fly at night. When I was on HMS Illustrious in 1988 we were in Majorca, and at night we had the upper deck lighting on, and I noted the Painted Lady flying around these lights going completely scatty."



August Thorn



Old Lady



Garden Tiger

Phil Hooper reports from Beacon Hill (SU598220) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (20), Clouded Yellow (5), Common Blue (30), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (20), Brimstone (10), Silver-spotted Skipper (20), Small Heath (30), Small White (10), Peacock (7).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (2).



## Sunday 25th August

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "feeding on Buddleia; second in the garden this year").

Mark Halligan reports from Denny Lodge Inc (SU337037) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "1 being of Valesina form"), Clouded Yellow (4 "2 Mating").

I A Smith reports from Lee on the Solent (SU563005) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (4 "At least. All along the seafront on the grassland. They just seem to everywhere at the moment").

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Walworth Industrial Estate, W Way (SU377464) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (2).

Graeme Davis reports from Ladies Walk (SU380456) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Speckled Wood (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Winchester Road Footpath (SU363442) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1).

Mark tutton reports from Northney common (SU730038) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (26), Gatekeeper (19), Large White (5), Meadow Brown (21), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (40).

Mark tutton reports from Chalton Down (SU736157) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9), Chalkhill Blue (200), Clouded Yellow (6), Comma (1), Common Blue (75), Gatekeeper (23), Large White (15), Meadow Brown (40), Peacock (1), Small Heath (7), Small White (100), Speckled Wood (2). "The butterflies here this afternoon were just a shimmering haze above the grass. I walked to the top of the down and sat down and just watched the hive of activity occurring below me - at one point I counted 57 whites in the air at the same time and there were chases involving buses browns white and yellows all at once - it just confirms my thought that this is probably the best butterfly year for a decade."

Mark tutton reports from Queen Elizabeth country park (SU738171) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (22), Gatekeeper (4), Large White (5), Meadow Brown (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Heath (4), Small White (14), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Speckled Wood (2).

Mark tutton reports from Portsdown hill (SU651065) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Chalkhill Blue (17 "5 f 12m"), Common Blue (21), Gatekeeper (17), Holly Blue (1), Clouded Yellow (7), Meadow Brown (50), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Large White (10), Small White (50). "This is the first time I have seen chalkhill on this part of Portsdown much further east than previous sightings. They seem well established but in a very localised area in one of the gullies, which is a credit to the habitat management that is being undertaken here."

jim smith reports from Noar Hill (SU741318) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (1 "female quite high up hazel tree just below ash"). "In trees left of main gate and bridleway (spotted by another butterfly watcher)".

Leanne Baker reports from Shirley (SU402136) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Large White (27). "On walking to the shops in Shirley, I was surprised to see an orange butterfly, with prominent black borders to its wings, flying amongst some large whites. The butterfly was fluttering around the surrounding gardens. On reaching home I discovered that it was a clouded yellow."

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU496147) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "Seen flying along the verge beside the road at about 3.30pm".

T Marsh reports from SO169RD (Southampton) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "In garden shed"), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (1), Common Hawker (1).

Paul Harfield reports from Noar Hill (SU7431) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Small Heath (4), Meadow Brown (6), Brimstone (13), Common Blue (13), Large White (12), Small White (8), Green-veined White (2), Peacock (2), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (4 "all female"), Small Skipper (1), Chalkhill Blue (2 "both female one very fresh"). "This is a conservative count seen late afternoon between 3.30 and 6pm, numbers probably much higher particularly Brimstone and whites. Also seen 2 likely Brown Hairstreak along the track by the cattle gate, too far away for a 100% positive ID. One disturbed from low down which flew up into the Ash trees at about 3.30pm. The second much later (around 5.30) in the same location flitting around the top of Ash/Hazel, also seen by another watcher."

## Saturday 24th August

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Hummingbird Hawkmoth (1 "feeding at Honeysuckle at about 4pm"). "first I've seen this year".

S F Leach reports from Squabb/Troy (SU334218) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Clouded Yellow (4), Gatekeeper (20 "Feeding on marjoram flowers"), Meadow Brown (4), Peacock (6), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small White (4), Large White (4), Comma (2).

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Gatekeeper (1).

## Friday 23rd August

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton Lakes & Harrow Way (SU345465) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (2), Small White (12), Large White (1), Brimstone (1), Speckled Wood (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Peacock (5).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Old Winchester Hill (Car Park Slope) (SU643227) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (6), Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (50), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Comma (1), Clouded Yellow (4), Brimstone (4), Large White (50), Small White (50), Small Copper (2), Common Blue (70), Chalkhill Blue (100), Adonis Blue (5), Brown Argus (27), Small Skipper (3), Silver-spotted Skipper (24). "I finished work earlier today and decided to go up to OWH in place of the field trip I was to be leading on the 1st of September, which I will not be able to do because I will be in hospital for an operation. Despite the fact the sun had disappeared it was still quite warm the species count was still very good. The Silver-spotted Skipper was very much in evidence, with many females by the rabbit scrapes looking for sheep's fescue to lay their eggs. The male Adonis Blue was espied here as well, which is quite odd as it's never reported in the spring, like the season of 2012. But it's still good to see it still here, and the males were all in pristine condition. A few Clouded Yellows joined in the butterfly 'orgy' and I had the best count here for the Brown Argus for several years."



Silver-spotted Skipper



Adonis Blue



Brown Argus

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Marsh (SZ331931) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (3 "On wooded access path"), Common Blue (1), Meadow Brown (3), Large White (6), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1), Wall (3 "Looking faded. On edge of sea wall"). "Overcast but very warm and humid, moderate easterly wind. Little activity compared with my previous visit."





Wall

Alan Thornbury reports from Broughton Down (SU288329) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (3 "3M"), Silver-spotted Skipper (4), Chalkhill Blue (35), Common Blue (22), Brown Argus (5), Meadow Brown (45), Small Heath (10), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (1), Small White (12), Large White (8), Small Skipper (4). "The Adonis Blues were all on the south pointing "spur" of land at the far western end of the reserve."



Adonis Blue



Adonis Blue

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (3), Meadow Brown (5), Gatekeeper (2), Small Copper (4), Common Blue (10), Holly Blue (1), Small White (4), Large White (1), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1).

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Grey Dagger (1 Larval). "Found on mature birch in the garden".



Grey Dagger larva

Mark tutton reports from Fort Cumberland open ground (SZ679991) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "Three Helice"), Brown Argus (1), Gatekeeper (12), Green-veined White (3), Holly Blue (1), Large White (20), Meadow Brown (25), Red Admiral (1), Common Blue (27), Small Copper (1), Small White (35).

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9 "7m, 2f"), Clouded Yellow (6), Comma (3), Common Blue (29 "25m, 4f"), Meadow Brown (8), Gatekeeper (4), Large White (8), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (4), Red Admiral (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (26), Small Heath (7), Small White (7). "An early afternoon visit. Warm, with some sunshine at first but soon became cloudy."

Gary palmer reports from crockford close new milton (SZ248963) where the following observations were made: light crimson underwing (1 "on back wall of house attracted to light").



Light Crimson Underwing

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (17), Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (5), Common Blue (4 "All males"), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (7), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (18), Speckled Wood (35 "On the north track, there was one every 30 yards or so"), Silver-washed Fritillary (2).

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small White (5), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Large White (1).

## Thursday 22nd August

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633636) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "The first in the garden this year"), Peacock (6), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Ted Pressey reports from Pennington marshes (SZ323921) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5), Common Blue (3), Red Admiral (1), Large White (10).



Clouded Yellow



Clouded Yellow

Andy Barker writes: "On returning to Hampshire late this afternoon after a few days in Norfolk, I had a quick check on our Buddleias, and to my great surprise saw a Purple Hairstreak busy nectaring (see photo). This is our first record of Purple Hairstreak in the garden, and I was very surprised to see it on the Buddleia as I don't think I've seen this species on a flower before. I watched it taking nectar continuously for 31 minute (6.24-6.55pm), working its way over

each small floret, on a flowerhead. Eventually a bumblebee bumped into it and it flew into nearby ivy on our fence. That's a lot of nectar for one small butterfly!"



Purple Hairstreak

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (17 "Only 5 males"), Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (5), Common Blue (6 "5 males, 1 female"), Gatekeeper (3 "2 males, 1 female"), Green-veined White (2), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (2 "Both females"), Peacock (13), Silver-washed Fritillary (9 "Most very tattered; one superb, a male"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (14), Speckled Wood (12). "Also 9 common darters with two pairs laying eggs into a large puddle on the track, a southern hawkler and many migrant hawkers".

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads west (SU711274) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Small Tortoiseshell (11), Speckled Wood (1), Peacock (4), Large White (5), Brimstone (1), Small White (10), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (12), Meadow Brown (2), Red Admiral (1), Clouded Yellow (1). "a very pleasant walk always good to stretch the eyes a bit you never know whats there is to see".



Small Tortoiseshell



Holly Blue



Clouded Yellow

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Peacock (4), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Brimstone (1), Large White (2), Small White (1).

Mark tutton reports from Farlington (SU682049) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (19), Gatekeeper (27), Green-veined White (4), Large White (8), Meadow Brown (33), Small Copper (1), Small White (27).

## Wednesday 21st August

Terry Hotten reports from Odiham Common (SU748519) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (30 "Approximate number"), Small Copper (3), Peacock (1), Gatekeeper (4), Meadow Brown (5), Large White (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (3), Painted Lady (1), Small White (20 "Approximate number"). "Compared to a week ago there was a drop in numbers of common blues, peacocks and browns which was more than made up for by the fresh small coppers and the migrants".

Stuart Read reports from Parkhurst (SZ493908) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1). "In my living room this morning. Had it flown through the back-door inadvertently or was it seeking a suitable place for hibernation. I captured it and returned to the outdoors!".

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden (SU720267) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (2), Peacock (6), Brimstone (6), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (20), Large White (4), Small White (3). "the very warm soon brought them to the café if you would like to see it phone 01730 827 488".



Painted Lady

Gary palmer reports from newland manor milford on sea (SZ287933) where the following observations were made: clouded buff larva (1 "found on nettle patch in garden"). "the above found during work".



Clouded Buff larva

I A Smith reports from Lee on the Solent (563005) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "feeding on budleia in my garden").

Sue Lambert reports from Garden Rowhams (SU381164) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (9), Peacock (6), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Brimstone (4), Green-veined White (1), Small White (6), Large White (4). "Still lots of butterflies on the Buddia and lavender, more Small Tortoiseshell than Peacocks today".

Mervyn Grist reports from Beacon Hill Burghclere (SU459572) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2), Clouded Yellow (3 "One a helix female"), Brimstone (6), Large White (2), Small White (12), Green-veined White (4), Small Copper (6 "Some quite fresh"), Brown Argus (10), Common Blue (15), Chalkhill Blue (7 "Some rather worn"), Small Tortoiseshell (9), Peacock (8), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (32), Small Heath (18). "These were seen on a group visit to commemorate the special surveys of potential Duke of Burgundy sites in the north west of the county this spring organised by Dan Hoare with Sarah Lynes of the Hants Wildlife Trust. The project, funded by DEFRA and others is called Winning Ways for Wildlife and selected wildlife under threat in the area has been highlighted. Some conservation works are to follow. Our group included Annette Johnson, David Lancaster, Tony Filbee, John Sheffield, Andrew Bolton, and Richard Levitt of Natural England. It was nice to confirm the persistence of the small Chalkhill Blue colony on the windswept hilltop. Many of the butterflies were found in the shelter of the Iron Age ramparts where clumps of marjoram provided refreshment. The Clouded Yellows have penetrated this far north".

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (17 "More females than males"), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (4 "3 very fresh"), Common Blue (3 "Males"), Gatekeeper (1 "Female"), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (1 "Female"), Peacock (15), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (11), Small White (25), Speckled Wood (17 "They were everywhere!"), 4 common darters, many migrant h (0).

Carol Munday reports from Garden (SU602142) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (2), Small White (5), Hummingbird hawk moth (1). "A spotted flycatcher shared the apple tree with a juv pied flycatcher for a while and caught an unfortunate moth; luckily, not the hummer!".

Carol Munday reports from Garden (SU602142) where the following observations were made: Large White (12 Larval "On cabbage-family wild flower"), Small White (7 Larval "On cabbage-family wild flower"), Brown-line bright-eye (15 Larval "Eating tomatoes in the greenhouse!").

Mike Wildish reports from Micheldever Road (SU375455) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (5), Brimstone (3), Meadow Brown (3), Speckled Wood (1), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Forest Lane (SU395455) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Green-veined White (2), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Harewood Farm (SU395462) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (2).

Roger Dobbs reports from The Elms (SU515608) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Large White (20), Common Blue (3), Small Copper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (12), Green-veined White (5), Small White (0), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (1). "All seen in our garden."

Andrew Brookes reports from Burnaby Road, Portsmouth (SU636002) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Large White (1), Red Admiral (1).

Kerry King reports from Brockenhurst (SU295030) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (2).

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Male in rather tattered condition nectaring on garden buddleia"). "This sighting is in addition to the female Silver-washed Fritillary seen in my garden on the 4th inst. Both photographed."

sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1), Small White (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

John Coxon reports from Whitecliff Bay (SZ639859) where the following observations were made: Queen of Spain Fritillary (1 "Silver blobs on forewing edges?"). "I think I spotted the QOSF whist on holiday. Poor colour, yellowy brown with smallish dark spots, and silver patches on the top edges of the forewings. I am not too hot on fritillaries except the SWF (I am from Horsham, W.Sussex). Any help appreciated. Butterfly population strong this year in this location (my tenth August here). Many good condition Common blues and whites, a Clouded yellow, Gatekeepers, 3 Dinghy skippers (2 attacked by the blues) and 2 Red Admirals gliding over the sea! Elsewhere Chalkhill Blues and Adonis blues strong on Brading Down, and 2 Painted ladies up on Culver Down although strong winds. One was a very good specimen circling, one poor."

## Tuesday 20th August

Mike Mackrill reports from Place Road Cowes IOW (os484948) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Brown Argus (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (1), Common Blue (3), Gatekeeper (27), Green-veined White (21), Holly Blue (2), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (8), Peacock (6), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (22 "including 1 valesina"), Small Skipper (1), Speckled Wood (11), silver y (3). "All recorded on the transect today, the first ever clouded yellow on the transect".

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633636) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (5), Green-veined White (2), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (2), Peacock (6), Small Tortoiseshell (4).

Mark tutton reports from Fort Cumberland open ground (SZ678991) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (32), Gatekeeper (17), Holly Blue (2), Large White (22), Meadow Brown (25), Painted Lady (2), Small Copper (1), Small White (50).

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (5), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Painted Lady (1), Comma (1), Peacock (3), Holly Blue (1), Common Blue (7), Small Copper (4), Small White (6), Large White (3 "seven larva, 1 batch of ova"), Brimstone (3). "above found on a walk around the garden today".



Brimstone



Small Copper



Large White larva & ova

Alan Thornbury reports from Shipton Bellinger (SU217458) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (5 "2F, 3M"). "Both female Brown Hairstreaks (photos) were in the hedgerow close to the county boundary (as grid ref). No males were seen low down, but 3 were flying high in Ash along the main track from the village. Counts of common species not recorded on this occasion. No Wall butterflies seen during my visit (in response to A Barker's post of 18th August."



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak

Charles Walker reports from Old Winchester hill (SU645213) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Chalkhill Blue (50), Comma (3), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (6), Painted Lady (2), Green-veined White (5), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Small Heath (10), Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (2), Small Skipper (5). "Went today to Old Winchester Hill with perfect weather. I have never seen such an abundance of butterflies and such a diversity of species. Special treat to see the Clouded Yellows. I photographed one but the other was on the wing. I am certain I saw a third on the way back to West Meon. Maybe this is the year of the 10 year cycle...?? Stopped at the Forestry wood beyond Chappett's and saw 6 Silver Washed Fritillaries including a Valesina. The old fort is a superb place for Chalkhill Blues and judging from the number of paired up specimens, should be another good year for breeding..".

Andy Bolton reports from Heath End Common (SU586623) where the following observations were made: Peacock (5), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Common Blue (3), Holly Blue (2 "nectaring on heather"), Small Copper (1).

Carol Munday reports from Garden (SU602142) where the following observations were made: Peacock (4), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (6 "Seemingly fascinated by variegated dogwood"), Small White (0). "At 6pm; all feeding on buddleia in sun. Not seen three small torties together for years".

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (16 "Only 2 males"), Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (2), Common Blue (4 "3 males, 1 female"), Gatekeeper (3), Meadow Brown (5 "4 females, 1 male"), Peacock (13), Ringlet (1 "Very worn"), Small Copper (1), Small Skipper (1), Small White (16), Speckled Wood (9 "Most feeding on fleabane"), Silver-washed Fritillary (9).

Jack Crook reports from Headley Down (SU831364) where the following observations were made: *Pyrausta aurata* (1), Brimstone Moth (1).



*Pyrausta aurata*



Brimstone Moth

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU830364) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Comma (1), Green-veined White (1), Large Skipper (1), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (12), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (20), Large White (10), Small White (6).



Small Tortoiseshell

Chris Rose reports from Brislands Lane, Four Marks (SU664343) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Common Blue (4), Green-veined White (9), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (8), Peacock (2), Small Copper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small White (11). "First Common Blues found here, shame the habitat will soon be gone, full details here <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

Chris Rose reports from Old Down Wood, FourMarks (SU659330) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (1), Green-veined White (23), Large White (5), Peacock (9), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "First of the year"), Small Heath (1 "By the Brislands entrance"), Speckled Wood (2). "Another first for the patch in the small heath, and the first Silver =washed I have found this year details <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

peter gardner reports from shipton belinger (SU230458) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (5 "3 at top of ashtree"), Common Blue (50), Brimstone (20), Meadow Brown (30). "a great at shipton Ballinger hard work to find the brown hs but it played off in the end, with help from friends who helped us to find it thanks".

Hazel Pratt reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (12 "8m,4f"), Brown Argus (1 "Very fresh"), Chalkhill Blue (200 "Minimum. A much higher ratio of females to males than on my earlier visit"), Clouded Yellow (8), Comma (1), Common Blue (12), Gatekeeper (7), Meadow Brown (5), Peacock (2), Silver-spotted Skipper (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Very worn"), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (17), Small Skipper (2), Small Tortoiseshell (12). "The reason "whites" are not recorded here is that when I arrived in the early afternoon I was greeted by lots of them along the top path and could see clouds of them of them dancing over the grass on the sides of the valley. I reasoned that to attempt to count and identify so many of them was just too daunting a task."

sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Red Admiral (1), Small White (2), Large White (1).

Roger Pendell reports from NoarHill (SU737322) where the following observations were made: Large White (12), Small White (48), Gatekeeper (8), Meadow Brown (27), Brimstone (53), Green-veined White (7), Common Blue (38), Small Heath (21), Small Tortoiseshell (20), Peacock (9), Red Admiral (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Comma (2), Painted Lady (1), Clouded Yellow (5), Chalkhill Blue (1).

Graeme Davis reports from Cengage Building Walworth Ind Estate (SU376465) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Small White (1).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Large White (1).

Anne McCue reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (3), Clouded Yellow (6), Large White (24), Small White (52), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (14 "8 males & 6 females"), Common Blue (74), Holly Blue (1), Red Admiral (4), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (145), Peacock (120), Comma (8), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Speckled Wood (2), Gatekeeper (14), Meadow Brown (45 "including a mating pair"), Small Heath (30). "1200-1700;breezy & mostly cloudy with short sunny intervals;numerous large clumps of hemp agrimony were festooned with Small Tortoiseshells & Peacocks;every footstep & turn of the head revealed more;I am sure that there were many others that I did not see and count".

Phil Hooper reports from Petersfield (SU742240) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (17), Peacock (11), Painted Lady (1).

## Monday 19th August

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden (SU722267) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (11), Peacock (3), Red Admiral (1), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (2), Small White (2). "am clear warm no wind small tortoiseshell doing great".

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton Down S (SU355485) where the following observations were made: Large White (11), Small White (12), Green-veined White (3), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (1), Speckled Wood (2).

Mike Wildish reports from Charlton Down N (SU355495) where the following observations were made: Large White (12), Small White (9), Green-veined White (2), Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (4), Speckled Wood (1), Peacock (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Hatherden N (SU343503) where the following observations were made: Large White (8), Small White (10), Brimstone (1), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (2), Speckled Wood (2).

Mike Wildish reports from Hatherden S (SU345495) where the following observations were made: Small White (9), Green-veined White (3), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Stuart Read reports from Stag Lane, Newport (SZ4991) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2). "Am seeing quite a few sightings of clouded yellows this year. Two on stag Lane this morning, one quite pale in complexion."

Martin King & Theresa Holden reports from Broughton Down (SU293327) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "Very tatty released from a spiders web then flew off south"), Silver-spotted Skipper (20 "At the very least 20 may be many more"), Clouded Yellow (6).

Barry and Margaret Collins reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (17), Brown Argus (1), Chalkhill Blue (4500), Clouded Yellow (9), Comma (3), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Gatekeeper (5), Large White (36), Meadow Brown (50), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (12), Red Admiral (3), Silver-spotted Skipper (21), Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (24), Small Heath (5), Small White (70). "We were there between 1030-1330 it clouded over for awhile but eventually the sun came back out and the Silver-spotted Skippers performed well."

Roger Dobbs reports from The Elms (SU501480) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (25 "Unimproved meadow"), Small Copper (6 "unimproved meadow"), Green-veined White (8 "unimproved meadow"), Meadow Brown (5), Large Skipper (1).

Sue Lambert reports from Baker's Drove Field (SU382161) where the following observations were made: Small White (12), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1), Clouded Yellow (1). "The Clouded Yellow was the 23 species of butterfly recorded on this field over the last two years."



Comma



Clouded Yellow

Mark tutton reports from Fort Cumberland open ground (SZ679991) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (3), Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (37), Gatekeeper (12), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (25), Painted Lady (3), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Small White (50), Large White (26).

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU629205) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "First this year, on Echinops"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2), Large White (4), Small White (8), Green-veined White (6), Meadow Brown (3), Gatekeeper (2).

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (22 "M"), Clouded Yellow (8 "Including 1 helice"), Comma (3), Common Blue (32 "30m, 2F"), Gatekeeper (10), Green-veined White (2), Large White (14), Meadow Brown (16), Peacock (31), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (5 "Includes 2 very damaged and 2 very fresh"), Small Heath (14), Small Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (24), Small White (15). "Time - 12.30 - 3.15 pm. Weather - warm and cloudy with some sunny intervals."

Graeme Davis reports from Andover College (SU361458) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Chris Hall reports from Hazeley Heath (SU762581) where the following observations were made: Peacock (43), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Small White (3), Meadow Brown (6). "All of these were nectaring on hemp agrimony flowers. There are hundreds of plants at this location."

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Normandy (SZ335944) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "On sea wall".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Eight Acre Pond (SZ327937) where the following observations were made: Wall (1). "On sea wall".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Oxey Marsh (SZ3393) where the following observations were made: Wall (6). "Along sea wall around Oxey Marsh".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Pennington Marsh (SZ3292) where the following observations were made: Wall (3), Clouded Yellow (1). "Along sea wall between Oxey Marsh and Fishtail Lagoon".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Keyhaven Marshes (SZ316918) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "On sea wall by Keyhaven Lagoon".

Tim Graham reports from IBM Hursley (SU419259) where the following observations were made: Small White (49), Green-veined White (6). "Small Whites, and Green Veined Whites everywhere. Count was only in the 100m from office to car."

Tim and Sue Graham reports from Ampfield Woods (SU407241) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "1 x Valesina - looking tattered, probably one of the ones I saw last week"), Small Copper (1), Holly Blue (7), Common Blue (4). "Again, just the less common sightings in addition to the transect. Female and Male Southern Hawkers. Green Tiger Beetles."

Mike Mackrill reports from Yaverland Cliffs Sandown IOW (OS625854) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Small Elephant Hawk Moth (1 Larval), Clouded Yellow (1).



Small Elephant Hawkmoth larva

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Common Blue (3 "2 males, 1 female"), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (7), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (5), Small Copper (1), Small White (4), Speckled Wood (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), 3 common darter, southern hawker (0), Many migrant hawker (0). "Rather overcast except for a short spell of sunshine".

richard hughes reports from mottisfont abbey (328369) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (3), Gatekeeper (4), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (2), Peacock (12), Small Tortoiseshell (20), Small White (150), Red Admiral (2). "the rose garden had clouds of butterflies I am sure my estimates are too conservative !!".

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Red Admiral (2), Small White (6).

## Sunday 18th August

M Blake reports from Mustang Avenue Nature Reserve (SU520091) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2), Small White (2).



Peacock



Peacock



Small White

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Comma (11 Larval "Most large a couple small"), Large White (1), Small White (1).



M Blake reports from Garden near Mustang Avenue Nature Reserve (SU520091) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (1), Large White (2), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (2). "Garden close to Mustang Avenue Nature Reserve".



Comma



Comma



Speckled Wood

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ576997) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Peacock (2), Holly Blue (1), Small White (6), Large White (5). "..... also a Humming-bird Hawkmoth on buddleia - my first sighting this year I notice there was a Queen of Spain Fritillary reported at Titchfield Haven on Thursday, 15th inst".

Geoff Jones reports from Browdown Coastal Area, Lee on the Solent (SZ575994) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (6 "Including at least one 'helice'"), Common Blue (3).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Oxenbourne Down (SU720209) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (20), Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (25), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (15), Peacock (50), Clouded Yellow (2), Brimstone (25), Large White (100), Small White (25), Green-veined White (6), Small Copper (6), Common Blue (25), Chalkhill Blue (500), Holly Blue (1), Brown Argus (2), Small Skipper (20).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750982) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (18 "Some very small - half the normal size and smaller than a small blue"), Gatekeeper (15), Green-veined White (4), Holly Blue (2), Large White (12), Long-tailed Blue (1), Meadow Brown (22), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (4), Small Copper (2), Small Heath (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (50), Speckled Wood (2).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Oxenbourne Down (SU720209) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Gatekeeper (20), Meadow Brown (100), Small Heath (25), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (15), Peacock (50), Clouded Yellow (2), Brimstone (25), Large White (100), Small White (25), Green-veined White (6), Small Copper (6), Common Blue (25), Chalkhill Blue (500), Holly Blue (1), Brown Argus (2), Small Skipper (20). "Ive just returned from a holiday in Majorca with my Grand children, and like Austria in June the butterflies I must say were pretty poor. Theres got to be something about the Green fields of good old blighty. Another visit up to Oxenbourne Down and the place was literally swimming in Butterflies. Peacocks and Large Whites were so abundant I gave up counting after 50 or so. Small Tortoiseshells seem to be on the mend with lovely fresh Autumnal broods on the wing. I saw (3) Silver-Spotted d Skippers which is three times as many as Ive sen up there in the last few years. Nice to see the Small Copper on the wing as well as I never saw any in the spring. The Chalkhill Blue was in the hundreds, but as a footnote I think their numbers are well down to some years over the last decade. It was lovely to see the Clouded Yellow on the wing, and one female seen was seen laying eggs on small sprigs of Wild Thyme, the first time Ive seen the Clouded Yellow breeding up here."



Chalkhill Blue



Brimstone



Clouded Yellow

Mark tutton reports from Northney common (SU732037) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (42), Clouded Yellow (2), Gatekeeper (22), Green-veined White (10), Large White (13), Meadow Brown (22), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (3), Small Copper (1), Small White (32).

Mark tutton reports from Fort Purbrook (SU678063) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (50), Gatekeeper (12), Large White (5), Meadow Brown (18), Peacock (3), Small Blue (2), Small White (25), Speckled Wood (2).

Mark tutton reports from Farlington marshes (SU680046) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (32), Gatekeeper (12), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (13), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (21).

Andy Tremain reports from White Horse pub garden Ampfield (SU398231) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Stopped during a long bike ride and there it was flying around the pub garden").

Andy Barker writes: "My third visit to Shipton Bellinger this season proved very successful. We had good views of Brown Hairstreaks (3), with one nectaring on Creeping Thistle (see photo) and the other two imbibing the juices of ripe Wayfaring tree berries. Other highlights were a Clouded Yellow nectaring on Lucerne, and best of all, two male Wall butterflies (see photo). To see the Wall at an inland location in Hampshire is a rare event, but there have been a few sightings in the Shipton Bellinger area over the last decade. Hopefully the species is spreading back into Hampshire from neighbouring colonies on Salisbury Plain. For those who visit Shipton Bellinger, please keep an eye out for the Wall, and submit records of any sightings you make."



Wall



Brown Hairstreak

mick sivell reports from clamerkin farm N.T. (SZ437907) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (4), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (30), Gatekeeper (100), Large Skipper (2), Large White (3), Brimstone (1), Marbled White (1 "very worn"), Meadow Brown (100), Peacock (1), Small Copper (1), Small White (5), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Speckled Wood (2), Wall (1). "Most of these were feeding on fleabane that is growing well here".

Sue Lambert reports from Morgaston Woods (SU627570) where the following observations were made: Small White (50), Common Blue (7), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Green-veined White (5), Speckled Wood (8), Meadow Brown (6), Gatekeeper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Brimstone (1 "Very bright male"), Comma (1), Comma (1 Larval), Comma (1 Pupal), Large White (1), Silver-Y Moth (0), Vapourer Moth (4). "A first walk in this wood yielded a good number of butterflies and moths."



Common Blue



Comma



Comma

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/ alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (10 "1 female 9 males"), Gatekeeper (31), Meadow Brown (49), Essex Skipper (1), Small Heath (5), Speckled Wood (2), Large White (32), Clouded Yellow (3).

Mervyn Grist reports from Rooksbury Mill Andover (SU355444) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "Female"), Speckled Wood (2 "A pair"), Brimstone (3 "One rather small male"), Common Blue (1), Comma (1), Small White (10), Green-veined White (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "The Purple Empress at the car park was a complete surprise to myself, Graeme Davis and Neil Catty although apparently one was seen there last year. She flew up and down energetically at a low level while we chased her with a camera but eventually disappeared high up into some small trees."

Alan Wilkinson reports from Popley Pond LNR (SU638545) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "On Common Fleabane"), Peacock (3 "On Water Mint"), Small Copper (1 "on common Fleabane"), Speckled Wood (1), Large White (35 "On Various plants").

Paul Harfield reports from Gilkicker Point (SZ6097) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (41 "33 males & 8 females"), Green-veined White (7), Small White (12), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (19), Gatekeeper (6), Small Heath (6), Small Copper (2), Clouded Yellow (5), Red Admiral (2). "Seen between 9.30 and 12.30. Sunshine/cloudy/breezy".

Paul Harfield reports from Gilkicker (SZ613981) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (10 "including 4 helice females"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (1), Large White (9), Small White (8), Green-veined White (6), Small Copper (1), Common Blue (10). "Seen between 12.45 and 1.30. Sun, cloud and breezy. In the disused part of the public car park next to the entrance to the golf club."

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park buddleja collection (SU367388) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Green-veined White (5), Large White (40), Meadow Brown (3), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (31), Red Admiral (13), Small Tortoiseshell (44), Small White (20). "Highest number of Small Tortoiseshells I've ever seen at this site; Red Admiral numbers building nicely."

peter gardner reports from abbotstone down (SU572360) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (20), Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (4), Common Blue (3), Brown Argus (7), Peacock (5), Large White (5), Ringlet (1), Gatekeeper (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small White (1). "same as yesterday sunny when we arrived the down came rain, we were lucky to see what we saw".



Silver-washed Fritillary



Brown Argus



Common Blue

Andy Bolton reports from Sandford Woods, Wolverton Common. (SU550591) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (17), Chalkhill Blue (1 "A delightful surprise on this track in clearfell woodland"), Brown Argus (1), Small Copper (5), Painted Lady (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (3), Green-veined White (2), Small White (5), Gatekeeper (8), Small Skipper (10), Large White (4). "A great range of butterflies enjoying a mass of Fleabane."

Andy Bolton reports from Sandford Springs Golf Course, Kingsclere (SU531590) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (7), Peacock (15), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Painted Lady (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Small Copper (1). "Lots of Fleabane nectar again."

Andy Bolton reports from Kingsclere Recreation Ground (SU527582) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (18 "This species really getting going at last."), Clouded Yellow (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3).



Clouded Yellow

## Saturday 17th August

Mike Gregory reports from Lee-on-the-solent (SU5600) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "2 males on clover on the beach").

Mark Wagstaff reports from Browdown Ranges (SZ581990) where the following observations were made: Grayling (10), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (3). "Grayling in front of the shooting range. Clouded Yellow together with common blue".



Common Blue &amp; Clouded Yellow

Mark Tutton reports from Sandy Point (SZ750985) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "Male"). "As noted in my previous posts I have been keeping an eye out for migrants. The weather was not too clever this morning so I took the dog for a swim in the sea at Hayling Island and while walking back a very wet mutt I made sure that i went back via the area where I had seen the clouded yellows earlier in the week. The dog was scurrying around following the rabbit smells and she distrubed a number of roosting whites. As I was checking these to see if there were any Clouded Yellows what I

thought was a female common blue caught my eye and as the weather was still overcast she went to roost under a bramble leaf. As I gently pulled back the leaf it revealed a female Long Tailed Blue! I had no camera or phone so I ran home only to find my camera battery was dead so it was a phone shot or nothing. on my return I paced up and down and two common blues briefly caused a stir when eventually I spotted a small butterfly land on brambles behind the fence. Quickly getting my binoculars out it was gone before I could focus and I had to restart the search! After about 15 minutes I eventually relocated her, to my great relief, and better still she was on the right side of the fence. Fortunately she hung around and gave me some great views - open and closed wings. She was a bit damaged and faded after the long trek across the channel and I marvelled at how a creature the size of my thumb had managed to make such a monumental journey. I spent about half an hour just watching her refuel before the weather eventually closed in and it started to rain. I bid her farewell and welcomed her to England. It was a fantastic find and although I have been working hard for just such an event I was more really in hope than expectation and one I will be surprised if I repeat. Only phone shots I know but the memory of pulling back that bramble leaf will last long in the memory."



Long-tailed Blue



Long-tailed Blue



Long-tailed Blue

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads west (SU705272) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Green-veined White (3). "complete cloud cover, started to rain halfway through the walk [got soaked, so we do not know what brought them out, it was not the warmth it was cold but we were very pleased to see them".



Holly Blue



Green-veined White

nick lawrence reports from noar hill (SU741319) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (20 "14 males, 6 female"), Large White (10), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (12), Meadow Brown (10), Gatekeeper (10). "the pale clouded yellow was a lot smaller (same size as small white) than other clouded yellows I have seen on the site,".



Clouded Yellow

## Friday 16th August

E and P Raynor reports from Titchfield Haven (SU532023) where the following observations were made: Queen of Spain Fritillary (1 "seen near the dragons dip pool and round the corner on sallys path first 50 metres ").

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU344153) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (12 "3m + 9f inc 4 helice"), Brown Argus (8 "inc some fresh looking ones"). "a walk further up the test valley produced another 17 clouded yellows inc 2 more helice. plenty of egg laying taking place. some of the earlier eggs laid have started changing colour from white to a pinky /red . an observation made whilst watching a normal female egg laying the bright yellow colouring made live quite easy. as soon as i started watching the helice form egg laying it was a whole new ball game. ranging from light yellow to dirty white they blended in so much better with the meadow . none of these clouded yellows have come any where close to looking like the pale clouded yellow i saw in june".

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (22 Larval).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1), Ringlet (1), Small White (1). "Just after it stopped raining hard; it was still slightly drizzling. Only the ringlet was on the wing; the others were very obvious roosting on fleabane".

## Thursday 15th August

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU832362) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (12), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Comma (1), Small White (5), Silver Y (2 "( Large number of these moths are regularly seen after dark)"). "More sightings from our garden in Headley Down. We have now had 16 different species visit the garden this year following yesterday's arrival of a Common Blue."



Common Blue

A.C.Smallbone reports from Rotherlands L.N.R. (SU764239) where the following observations were made: Small White (11), Large White (10), Green-veined White (11), Meadow Brown (14), Brimstone (5), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (2), Small Copper (1), Purple Hairstreak (1), Gatekeeper (1), Holly Blue (1).

Jenny Simmonds reports from Highgate Lane Farnborough (SU876564) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Peacock (3), Gatekeeper (2), Large Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (4).

Mark tutton reports from Fort Cumberland open ground (SZ679991) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (2), Clouded Yellow (3 "One f. Helice"), Common Blue (12), Gatekeeper (12), Green-veined White (7), Large White (25), Meadow Brown (6), Painted Lady (1), Small White (50). "Took a quick visit to this site at lunchtime in the hope there might be some migrants and I wasn't disappointed - three clouded yellows and a painted lady - no swallowtails or long tailed blue but I did note both fennel and everlasting pea present so I will be keeping an eye open. Was very surprised to find two nice fresh brown argus which I first took to be female common blue but definitely I.D confirmed - this is the first time I have ever encountered these on portsea island. Real shame about the copious rubbish dumped all around the area though."

Stuart Read reports from Merstone Station (SZ529843) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (9), Comma (3), Common Blue (5), Wall (1), Red Admiral (5), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (1). "Seen on patches of hemp agrimony and fleabane close to Merstone Station."

Stuart Read reports from Merstone Station (SZ526848) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (5), Small Copper (2), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (2). "Made a quick stop at Merstone Station on the way home this evening and counted the above."

Steve Mansfield reports from Wheatley (SU785401) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (4), Comma (1), Southern Hawker (1 "Patrolling"). "On buddleias."

Steve Mansfield reports from Oxney Stream, Kingsley Common (SU789376) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (4), Brimstone (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Oxney Farm, Kingsley (SU7937) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Meadow Brown (12), Peacock (2), Gatekeeper (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Broxhead Common (SU8037) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (10), Small Copper (3), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (2), Silver-studded Blue (1 "female"), Silver-Y (7), Fox Moth (29 Larval "various sizes"), Emerald Damselfly (1), Emperor Dragonfly (2).

Steve Mansfield reports from Hartley Mauditt (SU743362) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Upper Farringdon (SU709354) where the following observations were made: Elephant hawk-moth (1 Larval "Crossing gravel track"). "One of the great advantages of doing most of my wildlife watching by bicycle is finding gems such as this."

R K Levett reports from Titchfield Haven (SU532026) where the following observations were made: Queen of Spain Fritillary (1 "Seen at close quarters by 2 reserve visitors"). "Two reserve visitors reported the butterfly to reserve staff. Several other reserve visitors and volunteers looked for the butterfly during the course of the afternoon but to no avail."

Ken whitehead reports from Branding marshes rspb (612873) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (100 "At least"), Wall (0 "3"), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (1), Large White (40), Meadow Brown (10), Gatekeeper (100 "At least"), Speckled Wood (4), Silver y moth (4), Comma (1), Small White (20). "Specifically, at centurion copse part of reserve, Isle of Wight (but try as I might - couldn't get map feature to work!!)".

Ken whitehead reports from Culver down (635855) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (50 "At least"), Common Blue (10), Comma (1), Large White (10), 6 spot burnet moth (1).

Ken whitehead reports from Bembridge harbour (632887) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Large White (8), Comma (3), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Common Blue (1), Peacock (7), Silver y moth (1). "On and around the buddleia bushes".

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5 "4 females, 1 male"), Clouded Yellow (3 "2 helice, 1 male"), Comma (2), Common Blue (3 "Males"), Gatekeeper (6 "5 males, 1 female"), Green-veined White (1), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (7 "Mostly still looking pretty good"), Peacock (7), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (5 "Very worn"), Silver-washed Fritillary (6 "Including a valezina"), Small Skipper (2 "Very worn"), Small White (9), Speckled Wood (5 "Very feisty; one even chased a hawker dragonfly, but lived to tell the tale!"), Common darter and hawkers, likel (0). "Again mostly quite overcast but a 20 minute spell of sunshine got lots of butterflies and the dragonflies up."

peter gardner reports from noarhill (SU730331) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5), Meadow Brown (35), Peacock (21), Common Blue (2), Green-veined White (5), Large White (9), Gatekeeper (9), Brimstone (10), Clouded Yellow (2), Ringlet (3), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Small White (7), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Small Skipper (1), Small Heath (7). "pm good periods of sun a bit windy but ok, the clouded yellow left us with a merry chases".



Magpie moth



Clouded Yellow



Brimstone

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU719267) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (5), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (1), Large White (5), Small White (2), Meadow Brown (1), Marbled White (1). "cloud covered but clear by noon when the sun came out just stand and wait for them to come in, great".



Brimstone



Peacock



Small Tortoiseshell

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU344160) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (7 "3m + 4f inc 2 helice").

## Wednesday 14th August

Roger Pendell reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU646214) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (2), Essex Skipper (1), Large White (44), Small White (113), Gatekeeper (13), Meadow Brown (55), Chalkhill Blue (1300 "at least"), Small Skipper (3), Small Heath (10), Clouded Yellow (6), Common Blue (9), Silver-spotted Skipper (2), Brimstone (8), Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (10), Peacock (8), Green-veined White (2), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1).

Barry Collins reports from Havant Thicket (SU715106) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Brown Argus (1 "male in pristine condition"), Chalkhill Blue (1 "male nectaring on fleabane"), Comma (1), Common Blue (13), Gatekeeper (30), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (12), Peacock (16), Ringlet (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (30), Speckled Wood (9).

Gary palmer reports from hale ave new milton (SZ247947) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (2 "females laying several ova"), Small White (2), Gatekeeper (1). "Mid day in a garden found the above."





Holly Blue ova

Colin Wilson reports from 20a Cadets Walk East Cowes (SZ507945) where the following observations were made: Elephant Hawk Moth (1).



Elephant Hawkmoth larva

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Street garden, Portchester (SU621050) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Rather worn male sampling the buddlejas, a 'first' for my garden, for Portchester? "), Small White (6 "Principally interested in the lavender.").

Andrew Brookes reports from Great Fontley Farm (SU550091) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (12), Meadow Brown (4), Peacock (2 "On Fleabane"), Ringlet (1), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (1).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Clouded Yellow (2 "one helice"), Comma (2), Common Blue (2 "male, female"), Gatekeeper (3), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (5), Peacock (7), Ringlet (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (4 "one a valezina"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (6), Speckled Wood (3), hornet and several harkers (0). "Rather overcast most of the time but a short spell of wan sun did get some of the butterflies up. Many were just quietly feeding as still reasonably warm.".

peter gardner reports from froxfield church parish hall (SU714266) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (0), Red Admiral (1). "short walk around the village the buddleia behind the hall and look into the grave yard, always a good place to look".



Common Blue



Small Copper



Small Tortoiseshell

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (3 "were Meadow Browns"), Large White (1), Meadow Brown (10 "These are getting very tired and raggedly."), Grass Veneer daytime moth (2). "Overcast day, warm but no sun, butterflies at a minimum.".

Mike Mackrill reports from Lane to West High Down. IOW (325855) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Brimstone (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (0 "Numerous"), Chalkhill Blue (0 "Numerous"), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Red Admiral (12), Painted Lady (10), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Dark Green Fritillary (2), Meadow Brown (0 "numerous"), Ringlet (2), Marbled White (4), Peacock (14). "Superb day large amounts of Butterflies some too numerous to count. Occupying areas which had been cleared of scrub and now with a wealth of flora".



Brown Argus



Chalkhill Blue



Dark Green Fritillary

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Small White (38), Large White (7), Meadow Brown (35), Small Heath (3), Gatekeeper (1), Speckled Wood (2), Chalkhill Blue (200 "Plus"), Common Blue (10), Brown Argus (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Skipper (1), Clouded Yellow (1). "Still many Chalkhill Blues at this site. Some Brown Argus were flying and was pleased to see another Clouded Yellow here, following a sighting with my son two weeks ago.".

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Forest (Round Hill) (SU801335) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (6 "including one helice"), Small Copper (1), Grayling (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Common Blue (6 "Males"), Silver-studded Blue (1 "Female (photo available)"), Chalkhill Blue (1 "Fresh male. Photos available. Noticeably larger than common blues."), Brimstone (1 "male"), Peacock (1), Meadow Brown (1 "Not counted"), Gatekeeper (1 "Not counted"), Silver-Y (2), Crossbill (5). "A flat area of perhaps old railway sidings, sheltered with creeping and spear thistles and ragwort in flower. Also many vetch sp. in seed - which appear to be horseshoe vetch.".



Chalkhill Blue

Anne McCue reports from Beacon Hill, Warnford (SU600226) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2), Silver-spotted Skipper (5), Clouded Yellow (2), Brimstone (2 "2 males & 1 female"), Large White (4), Small White (15), Common Blue (35), Chalkhill Blue (27), Brown Argus (20), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (2), Small Tortoiseshell (26), Peacock (17), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (25), Small Heath (40). "1110-1300; only a third of the southern slope was searched because of fencing to control grazing; sunny intervals, light shower, high cloud, windy".

Anne McCue reports from Portsdown Hill (lower southern slope) (SU644065) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Large White (5), Small White (43), Green-veined White (5), Common Blue (13), Chalkhill Blue (33), Red Admiral (6), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Peacock (30), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (4), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (13). "1400-1430; sunny intervals, light cloud, windy".

Anne McCue reports from Portsdown Hill (chalk pit) (SU635066) where the following observations were made: Small White (16), Green-veined White (4), Common Blue (22), Chalkhill Blue (4), Holly Blue (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (2), Speckled Wood (3), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (7). "1430; high cloud, light shower".

Julie Cox reports from Baliff Wood (SD3093) where the following observations were made: Peacock (80 "(approx) on knapweed"), Red Admiral (1), Green-veined White (2), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Recorded whills on holiday near Conison Wate in Lake District but didn't know where else to record. Lovely warm still day wlkng on woodland tracks."

## Tuesday 13th August

Stuart Read reports from St George's Down (SZ506880) where the following observations were made: . "Made my first visit to St George's Down on Friday afternoon. Chalkhills have been doing well on this site in recent years. And good numbers of peacocks, painted ladies, small tortoiseshells, comma and red admirals were feasting on the buddleia."

Mike Wildish reports from Weyhill (SU315465) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (2), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (3), Gatekeeper (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Fyfield Road (SU305465) where the following observations were made: Small White (9), Large White (17), Green-veined White (2), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (8), Gatekeeper (1), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Fyfield Lane (SU303473) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Large White (2), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (5), Gatekeeper (3).

Alan Butterworth reports from Pennington Marsh (SZ328931) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (25 "Most I have seen for some years"), Gatekeeper (50 "Most very tired"), Meadow Brown (2), Large White (10), Small White (50), Small Copper (1), Wall (13 "On sea wall"), Clouded Yellow (2 "On sea wall"), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Walked on the marsh and the sea wall. Common blues were mainly on a large clump of bramble, although a mating pair were on a gorse next to the sea wall. Wall browns were on the sea wall and very active and not amenable to posing for a photo, as were the clouded yellows. Good to see the Walls, obviously 2nd brood and the most I have seen here, as I didn't manage see any 1st generation at this site."



Common Blue



Small Copper

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Not found here before"), Common Blue (2 "Male"), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (10), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Not found here before"). "Warm day, cloud hiding the sun".

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads south (SU716270) where the following observations were made: hummingbird hawk moth i (0), Large White (4), Small White (5). "a very short walk but very surprised what I saw the hawk moth was on some wild buddleia growing in the hedge."



Hummingbird Hawkmoth

John Levesley reports from Bransgore (private garden) (SZ185979) where the following observations were made: Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary (1). "I'm not an expert but saw a small butterfly in the garden and had the FSC fold out guide to hand. The underwing markings were the best view I had as it settled briefly on a plastic laundry basket and they matched the guide very well, the three dark spot pattern grouped together in a slightly arced line, was very distinctive and matched a small pearl bordered Fritillary. It also matched the Heath Fritillary even more closely but reading the guides that seems very unlikely. Sadly I didn't have a camera with me and it had gone by the time I fetched one."

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (1 "male"), Common Blue (9), Small Copper (1), Gatekeeper (7), Meadow Brown (6), Speckled Wood (3), Peacock (1), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Green-veined White (1), Large White (5), Small White (11), Large Skipper (2), Small Skipper (3). "a walk around the garden late morning found the above."



Brown Argus



Common Blue



Small Tortoiseshell

M Harrison - Jones reports from Warsash Common (SU503056) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "There have been a number of reports of sightings since Tue 6th Aug and it is thought that there have been up to 6 butterflies seen.").

Dave Ryves reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU644214) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (6 "min estimate at least 10 sightings but probably some duplication"), Painted Lady (4), Silver-spotted Skipper (1 "on slope down from main car park "), Common Blue (4), Chalkhill Blue (100 "still lots"), Marbled White (1 "still around"), Small Copper (2). "most sightings down the slope from main car park, a bit windy at times but came to life as soon as the sun came out. Only one SS Skipper despite much searching, difficult to determine exact Clouded Yellow numbers as could have been some duplication".

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU832362) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (1), Common Blue (1), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (15), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (20).

Roy Symonds reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU645211) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5 "2 Male 3 Female"), Small White (83), Large White (14), Meadow Brown (34), Gatekeeper (4), Small Heath (8), Chalkhill Blue (100 "plus"), Brown Argus (3), Small Tortoiseshell (11), Peacock (3), Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Skipper (1). "Temperature was 19 degrees. Surprised by the number of Small Whites seen, also good numbers of Small Tortoiseshells. Numbers down on Meadow Browns but Chalkhill Blues were flying everywhere I eventually stopped counting. Two Silver Washed Fritillaries were flying around the main car park area."

Roger Pendell reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU504291) where the following observations were made: Large White (18), Small White (39), Meadow Brown (77), Gatekeeper (12), Peacock (5), Chalkhill Blue (96), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small Heath (5), Common Blue (7), Brown Argus (3), Marbled White (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Green-veined White (1), Small Blue (2), Brimstone (1).



Clouded Yellow

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (25), Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (2), Common Blue (1 "male"), Gatekeeper (5), Green-veined White (3), Meadow Brown (4 "including a beautiful aberration"), Peacock (15), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (7 "including a valezina"), Small Copper (1), Small Skipper (1), Small White (5), Speckled Wood (5 "including one with large white spots"). "Today was 'brimstone day', with good numbers of peacocks, still no large whites. Yesterday was 'small white' day."



Ringlet & Speckled Wood    Meadow Brown ab. *transformis*

Steve Mansfield reports from Alresford Pinglestone Farm (SU577333) where the following observations were made: Small Blue (1 "Fresh on Black Medick"), Common Blue (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Abbotstone (SU564345) where the following observations were made: Peacock (11), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Large White (11), Silver-washed Fritillary (1). "All on a white buddleia, except SWF which was perched next to it."

Steve Mansfield reports from Itchen Abbas (Spread Oak Cottages) (SU5433) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Lower Lanham (SU6036) where the following observations were made: Dusky Sallow (1 "On scabious during day").

Steve Mansfield reports from Lanham (SU6237) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (2), Large White (20), Meadow Brown (1). "On roadside buddleia".

Ian Pratt reports from Brading Down (SZ602866) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (4), Chalkhill Blue (100), Gatekeeper (5), Meadow Brown (20), Red Admiral (5), Small Tortoiseshell (10), Peacock (10), Speckled Wood (1), Large Skipper (1). "Very fresh clouded yellows - see [www.flickr.com/photos/lepreskil/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/lepreskil/)".

Chris Cobb reports from Portchester Common (SU621068) where the following observations were made: Large White (3), Common Blue (5), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (3), Meadow Brown (6), Dark Green Fritillary (1 "Female"). "11:35 to 12:00".



Dark Green Fritillary

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Large White (10), Small White (11), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (1 "tiny female"), Holly Blue (1 "female"), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4 "fresh summer brood"), Peacock (2), Comma (1 Larval "on viburnum"), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (4 "2 males & 2 females, including a mating pair"). "in my garden".

aly reed reports from garden, woody lodge, ningwood, IOW (SZ401887) where the following observations were made: jersey tiger (1). "Hello, we are not moth or butterfly watchers. We had this stunning moth on our lawn in the morning. Delta shaped, black and cream markings revealing bright red when it flew off. We sell the Little Gem Butterfly book at work and we identified the moth. It said they were only seen in Devon so I thought I would report it. Regards, Aly Reed (alyalyo@hotmail.com)".

## Monday 12th August

Tim Graham reports from Ampfield Woods (SU402241) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "2 of them Valesina"), Brown Argus (2), Small Copper (2), Common Blue (6). "19C 12 - 12:45; 50% sun. The above are the less common sightings, in addition to the normal transect list."

Mike Wildish reports from Nutbane Lane (SU325495) where the following observations were made: Small White (12), Large White (3), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (4), Small Copper (1), Comma (1), Red Admiral (3).

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs Lake / Alver Valley (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (7), Gatekeeper (14), Meadow Brown (24), Small Copper (1), Speckled Wood (4), Large White (36), Small White (2), Marbled White (1).

Jan Hall reports from Old Down, Basingstoke (SU597488) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "1st sighting at this site"). "Rather worn and ragged but great to see here."

Jill Lincoln reports from Chiltern Way Allotments, Basingstoke (SU603512) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Not seen before at this site").

Dave Pearson reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU512291) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (0), Brown Argus (3), Chalkhill Blue (0), Clouded Yellow (5 "favouring the chalk scrapes on the extension"), Common Blue (0), Essex Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (0), Green-veined White (0), Holly Blue (1), Large White (0), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (0), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (0), Small Blue (2 "eastern end of the extension"), Small Heath (0), Small Tortoiseshell (10), Small White (0).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4 "2 males, 2 females"), Clouded Yellow (2 "1 'doing a Grayling', tilting over on the ground"), Common Blue (2 "1 male, 1 female"), Gatekeeper (5 "3 males, 2 females"), Green-veined White (4), Meadow

Brown (3), Peacock (9), Ringlet (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (11 "Utterly memorable; some faded, some a bit tattered, others still looking fabulous"), Small Skipper (1), Small White (33), Speckled Wood (5), White Admiral (1). "Wish I'd had a camera, could have taken some fantastic photos. Was rather overcast so didn't think I'd see much. But the sun came out briefly and the butterflies did too. S/w Frits were much in evidence and quite easy to see well as they readily landed to feed. Only the white admiral kept flying all the time. Saw the female common blue with a g/v white on the same fleabane flower head and watched for minutes from inches away."

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8 "Male"), Chalkhill Blue (1), Clouded Yellow (3 "Including one very pale yellow, almost white one, also seen by the recorder who thought it was a helice."), Comma (1), Common Blue (11 "8m, 3f"), Gatekeeper (16), Meadow Brown (22), Large White (20), Painted Lady (4), Peacock (58), Red Admiral (4), Ringlet (4), Small Heath (2), Small Skipper (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Small Tortoiseshell (15), Small White (12).

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Oxy Marsh (SZ3393) where the following observations were made: Wall (9). "Along the sea wall around Oxy Marsh."

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Pennington Marshes (SZ3292) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Wall (1). "Along the sea wall between Oxy Marsh and Fishtail Lagoon."

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "I think this is only the fourth time I've seen one here in 30 years"), Peacock (8), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (2), Ringlet (1), Brimstone (2), Large White (3), Small White (3).



Silver-washed Fritillary

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2 "1 Male 1 Female"), Small White (15), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (3), Speckled Wood (5), Gatekeeper (1), Common Blue (9), Peacock (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (1). "Mostly cloudy but with sunny intervals temperature was 20 degrees."

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4 "3 Male 1 Female"), Small White (17), Large White (3), Common Blue (7), Meadow Brown (5), Speckled Wood (1), Peacock (10), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "Good numbers of Peacock on Buddelia flowers."

n.bray reports from hayling billy trail (SU716027) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Clouded Yellow (1).

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU344156) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "2m + 3f"), Brimstone (2), Peacock (17), Small Tortoiseshell (36), Comma (5), Brown Argus (6), Common Blue (30), Small Copper (15), Painted Lady (2). "pleasing to see the clouded yellows still around all 3 females egg laying across the meadows all on birds foot trefoil. at least 30 eggs seen ."

Mr David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Small White (4), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (4), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (14), Meadow Brown (1), Mint Moth (1), Silver Y Moth (24).

## Sunday 11th August

Graham Dennis reports from Burnt Common (SU621642) where the following observations were made: Grayling (4), Comma (1), Common Blue (6), Gatekeeper (100), Green-veined White (23), Large Skipper (1), Large White (25), Meadow Brown (100), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (10), Ringlet (60), Small Skipper (15), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (10), Brown Argus (1), silver y (30).

Graham Dennis reports from Benyons Inclosure (SU627640) where the following observations were made: Grayling (2).

jim smith reports from noar hill (SU740320) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Painted Lady (3), Common Blue (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Heath (1). "Sunny with some cloud,temp 22C+,windy at times,numerous peacocks on hemp agrimony."

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ749983) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (7 "Four male three female including one f. Helice"), Common Blue (22), Gatekeeper (50), Green-veined White (7), Holly Blue (2), Large White (17), Meadow Brown (11), Red Admiral (4), Small Copper (5 "Inc one ab. caeruleopunctata (Tutt)"), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small Skipper (3). "Good influx of clouded yellows off sea taking nectar in car park behind lifeboat station including my second Helice of the year."

Mark tutton reports from Noar hill (SU741320) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Common Blue (40), Gatekeeper (50), Green-veined White (7), Large White (20), Meadow Brown (50), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (45), Small Copper (2), Brimstone (9), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Small Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (20).

Mark tutton reports from Chappetts copse (SU653234) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Gatekeeper (4), Green-veined White (5), Meadow Brown (7), Peacock (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "All females looking very fresh and egg laying"), Silver-washed Fritillary (30 Egg "All laid on one tree on ivy stems."). "Good to watch three female silver washed flying low over the ground to detect violets then egg laying in adjacent trees."

Leanne Baker reports from Southampton old cemetery (SU413137) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Gatekeeper (7), Holly Blue (4), Large White (33), Meadow Brown (5), Peacock (6), Speckled Wood (12), Small White (3). "An increase in peacock butterflies this year."

Mike Gibbons reports from Shipton Bellinger (SU218455) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (4 "1 female egg laying, 1 fresh male down low"), Brown Argus (2), Comma (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Common Blue (20), Meadow Brown (40), Gatekeeper (20), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Holly Blue (2), Brimstone (30), Large White (20), Small White (10), Green-veined White (2), Peacock (10), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (2). "I arrived to find Shipton Bellinger deserted. I soon located an egg laying Brown Hairstreak and a little later a fresh male nectaring. The biggest surprise was a superb Meadow Brown aberration with white forewings which posed well for photos."



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak



Meadow Brown

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park (SU368387) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Clouded Yellow (1 "On Lavender border"), Comma (4 "Several new brood"), Green-veined White (5), Large White (50 "In clouds over Buddleja 'Lochin' clump"), Meadow Brown (10), Brown Argus (1 "Ovipositing on Rock Rose in the arboretum"), Painted Lady (6), Red Admiral (6), Small Tortoiseshell (10 "All pristine second-brood specimens"), Small White (30).

Tim Doran reports from Farlington Marshes (SU687035) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "one helice form seen well").

Dav Ryves reports from Burridge (SU515096) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Peacock (20), Comma (3), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2). "14 species of butterfly visiting my garden this week mostly on Buddlias".



Carol Munday reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU645206) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "Missed off the previous report for yesterday").

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU721274) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Marbled White (1), Large White (5), Small White (3), Peacock (4). "we started the day with a quick check up of the buddleia, we had a surprise,when we found the clouded yellow."



Clouded Yellow



Small Tortoiseshell

peter gardner reports from abbotstone tracks (SU574342) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (9), Green-veined White (18), Small White (20), Holly Blue (12), Gatekeeper (18), Meadow Brown (85), Small Skipper (8), Comma (1), Large White (6), Brimstone (1), Ringlet (2), Peacock (1), Painted Lady (1). "what a great day first the clouded yellow and now the painted lady what do we expect next,we are looking forward to tomorrow".



Ringlet



Peacock



Painted Lady

Paul Beevers reports from Old Down, Basingstoke (SU597488) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Only 2nd one seen at this site").



Clouded Yellow

Richard Carpenter reports from Whiteley Pastures & Botley Wood (SU5309) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Clouded Yellow (9 "Including one 'helice'"), Common Blue (10), Peacock (10), Silver-washed Fritillary (15), White Admiral (1).

Andy Bolton reports from Benyon's Inclosure north (SU626641) where the following observations were made: Grayling (6), Common Blue (3), Small Copper (2), Small Skipper (2), Gatekeeper (10), Meadow Brown (5).

Andy Bolton reports from Burnt Common (SU618641) where the following observations were made: Grayling (7), Common Blue (2), Small Skipper (2).

Andy Bolton reports from Benyon's Inclosure south (SU623636) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1), Brown Argus (1 "fresh female").

G Rich reports from Gilkicker Point (SZ607975) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow???? (1). "The insect appears to differ from Handbooks and other photos either to Clouded Yellow normal form or Helice. Is it possibly Pale Clouded Yellow? - photo attached". (Photo didn't arrive please send to [webmaster@hantsiow-butterflies.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@hantsiow-butterflies.org.uk) )

Ian Pratt reports from Walter's Copse (SZ430905) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10), Comma (2), Common Blue (10), Gatekeeper (5), Green-veined White (3), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (10), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (20), Red Admiral (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (15), Small Copper (1), Small White (5), Speckled Wood (2), Wall (2), White Admiral (1). "Great day for seeing butterflies!".

Roger Pendell reports from Alice Holt Straits Inclosure (SU806401) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small White (5), Meadow Brown (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Large White (2), White Admiral (1), Ringlet (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Roger Pendell reports from Noar Hill (SU737322) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1), Large White (42), Small White (37), Gatekeeper (16), Meadow Brown (40), Small Tortoiseshell (8), Peacock (38), Common Blue (11), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Green-veined White (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (2), Marbled White (1), Brimstone (6), Ringlet (1), Comma (2).

Stuart Read reports from Calbourne Cricket Ground (SZ424867) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (5). "Seen on a circuit of the cricket ground!".

Mr David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Small White (8), Red Admiral (3), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (10), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (13), Meadow Brown (1), Silver Y Moth (19), Mint Moth (4).

## Saturday 10th August

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (SZ671996) where the following observations were made: Large White (12), Comma (2), Painted Lady (2), Small White (10). "Just a few notes from my garden, I have had at least (2) Painted Ladies constantly on my Buddleia bush all week, and now today being joined by (2) Commas and a host of Large and Small Whites in the front and back garden."



Painted Lady



Large White

Rupert Broadway reports from Badger Farm, Winchester (SU462280) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1 "Male, nectaring on marjoram. First to be recorded in the garden and the 29th species to be recorded in 20 years or so.").



Carol Munday reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU645206) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1000 "Very abundant everywhere"), Clouded Yellow (6), Comma (2), Common Blue (4 "Hard to spot among the Chalkhills"), Dark Green Fritillary (1 "Pale edges to wings so think a female"), Essex Skipper (1 "Seen on the top walk in long grass with small skipper"), Gatekeeper (7), Green-veined White (1), Large White (100 "Abundant"), Meadow Brown (10), Peacock (9), Red Admiral (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (2 "One on lower slopes and another on top walk"), Small Copper (3), Small Heath (5), Small Skipper (6), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Small White (100 "Abundant"). "A pair of ravens flying around. Rather windy and mostly overcast conditions but as soon as the sun came out, so did the Chalkhills, which were super-abundant. The strong wind meant clouded yellows mostly blew straight by. The silver-spotted skipper found along the top walk was hanging onto a scabious flower for dear life; we were close but no hope of a decent photo."

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU633047) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (30), Holly Blue (2), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (12), Peacock (2), Common Blue (4 "Inc. one pristine female"), Small White (40).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (14), Comma (2), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (2), Ringlet (1), Gatekeeper (1), Speckled Wood (1), Brimstone (3), Large White (6), Green-veined White (1), Small White (3).

Chris Hall reports from Eelmoor (west area) (SU8353) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (3), Clouded Yellow (1 "Present for at least two hours"), Brimstone (1), Small White (6), Large White (2), Chalkhill Blue (1 "Male, observed for ten minutes, SU 837536"), Common Blue (49), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (3), Comma (1), Grayling (10), Gatekeeper (21), Meadow Brown (54), Small Heath (1), Silver Y (16). "Spent about two hours, conditions bright cloud with brief sunny spells so butterflies not very active. The chalkhill blue was observed roosting and taking short flights for ten minutes, presumably the same one seen about 700 metres east of here on Thursday. One was also seen at Eelmoor by Pete Clarkson 16 years ago. After leaving this grassland I added speckled wood and silver-washed fritillary, so a total of 17 species seen in two hours."

Mark tutton reports from Rake bottom (SU715207) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Brown Argus (2), Chalkhill Blue (13), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (2), Common Blue (30), Dark Green Fritillary (2), Gatekeeper (26), Green-veined White (4), Large White (7), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (35), Peacock (14), Small Heath (9), Small Skipper (5), Small White (15), Small Tortoiseshell (8). "17 species on a bright but breezy afternoon visit was good but disappointing numbers of chalkhill blue I think."

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (south) (SU7831) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (NE) (SU7932) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (N) (SU7832) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "One at Pond Cottage. One at Range 2.").

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Range 1 (SU7933) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).



Clouded Yellow

peter gardner reports from portsdown hill (SU648064) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (100), Meadow Brown (42), Small White (17), Common Blue (20), Peacock (42), Speckled Wood (12), Gatekeeper (11), Large White (10), Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (1), Comma (2), Ringlet (3), Holly Blue (1), Small Tortoiseshell (5). "hot day nice wind".



Small Tortoiseshell



Common Blue



Chalkhill Blue

Sue Davies reports from Mill Copse Yarmouth IOW (SZ357888) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (50 "plus"), Green-veined White (2), Large White (4), Marbled White (9), Meadow Brown (50 "plus"), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (3), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (7), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (2), Wall (11), Silver Y (5), Mocha (1 "in clearing").

Sue Davies reports from Mill Copse N Meadow (SZ357891) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (50 "plus"), Green-veined White (1), Large White (2), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (50 "plus"), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (1), Small Skipper (3), Wall (5), Silver Y (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (25), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (10), Speckled Wood (3), Gatekeeper (2), Common Blue (5), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "A 45 minutes walk where the temperature was 21.5 degrees."

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657068) where the following observations were made: Small White (34), Large White (5), Brimstone (3 "Males"), Meadow Brown (2), Speckled Wood (1), Common Blue (16), Peacock (4).

Sue Lambert reports from Stockbridge Down (SU370358) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (500 "Too many to count"), Meadow Brown (30), Adonis Blue (1 "female (ID confirmed by Brian Fletcher)"), Common Blue (5), Small Skipper (3), Silver-spotted Skipper (7), Clouded Yellow (5), Small Heath (12), Small Copper (6), Silver-washed Fritillary (7), Dark Green Fritillary (3), Brown Argus (3), Marbled White (2), Gatekeeper (3), Green-veined White (1), Holly Blue (4), Peacock (8), Red Admiral (2), Comma (1), Brimstone (2). "The joint BC and H&IOW WT walk was very well attended with over 40 in the morning and nearly 20 people in the afternoon. We were rewarded with 22 species AM and an additional 2 species PM. Highlights were the Clouded Yellow showed very well PM, and Silver-spotted Skippers. The other species seen were Small Tortoiseshell, Ringlet, Large and Small White. Also seen were Silver-Y, Pebbled Hook Tip, Dusky Sallow, 6-spot Burnet, Pyrausta aurata, Agapeta Hamana, Caterpillars of Cinnabar, Satyr Pug and Lime-speck Pug, Hornet Robber-fly and Wolf spider and many grasshoppers and micro moths. Thanks to Brian Fletcher for leading the walk."



Chalkhill Blue



Clouded Yellow



Silver-spotted Skipper

Rob Souter reports from St Catherines Hill (SU485274) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (50), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Painted Lady (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (2).

Mr David W Hunt reports from Our garden in stubington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (9), Small White (7), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Peacock (7), Gatekeeper (15), Silver Y Moth (14).

## Friday 9th August

John R Jones reports from Garden in Bitterne (SU446129) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (2 "On Buddleia"), Peacock (8 "On Buddleia"), Large White (2 "On Buddleia"), Small White (4 "On Buddleia").

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Foreshore (SZ675994) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Gatekeeper (5), Meadow Brown (4), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (1), Comma (4), Large White (50), Small White (50), Green-veined White (3), Common Blue (8), Holly Blue (10). "Another walk around my patch after work with the sun dodging the clouds, but the breeze was very strong a times. Since my last entry about this site, the Marbled White seems to have disappeared now, along with the Essex Skipper. But I counted some of the best counts of the Holly Blue in 25 years, and several were seen battling for territories. I espied some lovely female Common Blues and several mating pairs, although the Common Blue seems to be doing well here, I have found very little Birds Foot Trefoil. The Whites are flying around in droves, much to the delight of the gardeners in the local Allotment!A female Red Admiral was seen laying eggs on the Nettles by the gr assy verges, the Nettles looking very forlorn now."



Comma



Holly Blue



Common Blue

ann bull reports from The Range Store. Gosport (SU595016) where the following observations were made: garden tiger moth (1 "found in a retail store").



Garden Tiger

Sue Lambert reports from Blashford lakes (SU151079) where the following observations were made: Peacock (30), Red Admiral (1), Painted Lady (1), Comma (2), Small White (14), Green-veined White (4), Small Copper (1), Brimstone (4), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (19), Speckled Wood (1), Large White (3), Poplar Hawkmoth (1), Garden Tiger (1), Canary-shouldered Thorn (3), Pebble Prominant (1), Pale Prominant (1), Burnished Brass (1), Silver-Y Moth (1), Black Arches (1). "The Buddlias behind the Education Centre were alive with butterflies. The moths were caught in last nights moth trap - Looking for Tigers."



Small Copper



Painted Lady



Brimstone

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU830363) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Large White (3), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (20), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Red Admiral (1), Small White (20). "Another great butterfly day in our garden. The number of Peacocks present was quite astonishing as was the numbers of Small Whites. Following the appearances of a Painted Lady (first for two years at least) and a Clouded Yellow (the first ever) today also saw the surprise arrival of the first ever Silver-washed Fritillary. Fifteen different butterflies have now been seen in the garden during 2013."



Painted Lady & Peacock



Peacock



Silver-washed Fritillary

Paul Crook reports from Ludshott Common (SU848358) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (12), Meadow Brown (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (1). "This is the first Silver-spotted Skipper I have seen on the Common after 6 years of looking."



Silver-spotted Skipper

Ted Pressey reports from Pennington marshes (SZ314922) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (2), Speckled Wood (3), Small Heath (10), Gatekeeper (1), Wall (1), Small Copper (1), Small White (5).



Wall



Small Copper

Mervyn Grist reports from Horris Hill west (SU457627) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Male moving west"), Large White (1), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (1). "The Clouded Yellow was a pleasant surprise along a field edge joining the two parts of my Wider Countryside Butterfly Survey close to the Berkshire border."

Robert and Chris Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (12), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Common Blue (1), Meadow Brown (2), Ringlet (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (4), Large White (3), Small White (1). "While we were watching one unfortunate Peacock was caught and speedily devoured by a hornet."

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads short walk (SU715271) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (5), Brimstone (1), Small Skipper (6), Meadow Brown (19), Small White (20), Large White (9), Peacock (3), Gatekeeper (7), Red Admiral (1), Holly Blue (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Ringlet (1). "we do not know where the frit came from first time here, nice to see it."



Gatekeeper



Holly Blue

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "female"), Common Blue (1), Holly Blue (1), Purple Hairstreak (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633636) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "First for my garden").

Brian Simmons reports from Noar Hill (SU745320) where the following observations were made: White-letter Hairstreak (1 "nectaring on Hemp Agrimony"), Clouded Yellow (2), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (50). "I have a photograph of the White-letter Hairstreak."



White-letter Hairstreak

Andy Bolton reports from meadow nr. Basingstoke Fen (SU652524) where the following observations were made: Peacock (12), Gatekeeper (7), Common Blue (1), Holly Blue (1).

Andy Bolton reports from Ashford Hill Meadows NNR (SU564618) where the following observations were made: Peacock (88), Silver-washed Fritillary (16), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Comma (1), Painted Lady (1 "My 1st for the year."), Brimstone (7), Small Skipper (6), Large Skipper (1), Common Blue (3), Brown Argus (2), Small Copper (1). "A terrific nectar fest, with masses of butterflies on the water mint which is the dominant plant in the fen area; hemp agrimony and fleabane also much used. Incredible nos. of Peacocks, must have been well over 100 in reality."

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Large White (6), Small White (14), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (4 "2 males & 2 females"), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2), Comma (2), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (4 "3 males & 1 female"), Holly Blue (1). "in my garden".

Mr David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (7), Small White (7), Common Blue (2 "1 male & 1 Female"), Red Admiral (1), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (8), Gatekeeper (17), Silver Y Moth (4).

## Thursday 8th August

Ian Pratt reports from Bonchurch Down (SZ573784) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (6), Chalkhill Blue (20), Common Blue (6), Dark Green Fritillary (1 "First time at this site"), Gatekeeper (10), Grayling (1 "First time at this site"), Large White (10), Marbled White (20), Meadow Brown (20), Peacock (1), Small White (3), Small Skipper (1), Small Copper (3). "Lots of butterflies roosting or flying in the early morning sun at about 07.30".

peter gardner reports from martindown (su042194) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (14), Adonis Blue (6), Common Blue (10), Small Blue (13), Speckled Wood (1). "i t was not the best of eather for butterflies but we were very lucky to see these, the small blues were great."

Andrew Brookes reports from Hinton Ampner Gardens (SU596274) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Comma (2), Green-veined White (2), Large White (50), Meadow Brown (2), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (32), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Very faded"), Small White (30). "Butterflies galore, nectaring on the numerous buddleja. Buckeye and catmint were other favourites, the latter with the Pieridae."

Andrew Brookes reports from Homerhill & Pigeonhouse Coppices, Boarhunt (SU589094) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Green-veined White (8), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (2 "Both on the track, faded but largely intact.").

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (12), Comma (2), Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (3), Green-veined White (5), Large White (6), Marbled White (1), Meadow Brown (2), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (30), Purple Hairstreak (1), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (5), Silver-washed Fritillary (5), Small Skipper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (40 "Saw a trail of 7 and others of 2 or 3"), Speckled Wood (4), White Admiral (1), Common darter and hawkers (0).

Nicky Stewart reports from Southsea (SZ677980) where the following observations were made: Silver y moth (50 "Out in force tonight and last night").

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6 "Male"), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (12 "10m, 2f"), Comma (2), Gatekeeper (11), Large White (35), Marbled White (1), Small White (11), Meadow Brown (20), Peacock (60 "At least. Lots perching on Hemp Agrimony and seed heads of thistles."), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Small Skipper (4), Speckled Wood (1).

Robin Harley reports from Osborne House beach, Cowes, IOW (SZ525952) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "1 valezina form"), Holly Blue (1), Gatekeeper (5), Large White (3), Small White (7), Silver y moth (4), Leptura maculata (1 "longhorn beetle"), Leptophyes punctatissima (1 "speckled bush cricket").



Silver-washed Fritillary f. *valezina*

Robin Harley reports from Osborne House grounds, East Cowes, IOW (SZ513947) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (2), Painted Lady (2), Small White (10), Large White (6).



Comma



Clouded Yellow



Painted Lady

Chris Hall reports from Eelmoor (SU8453) where the following observations were made: Grayling (75), Clouded Yellow (1 "Nectaring on fleabane"), Common Blue (67), Chalkhill Blue (1). "Eelmoor is a heathland and grassland site near Farnborough, several kilometres from the nearest chalk. There has been a moderately good emergence of fresh common blues this month. At about 1pm a blue butterfly settled on the heather close to where I was standing, about a third larger than common blue and of an obviously paler blue shade. I was able to observe it at rest and sketch the main characters for two minutes before it flew off. It could only be a male chalkhill blue. The location was SU 844536."

Andy Stocker reports from Whitehill (SU785342) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (3), Grayling (1 "First in the garden for perhaps 7 years."), Large Skipper (2), Large White (9), Meadow Brown (1), Peacock (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1).



Grayling

Andy Tremain reports from Sandleheath Industrial Estate (SU127150) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Alexander E. Hoey reports from Reed Walk, Shaw, Newbury (SU481678) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "This is the first one sighted this year"). "We have had very few butterflies this year, this is the first Peacock this year, the only others seen locally were small whites (3)."

peter gardner reports from crab wood (SU459308) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (0), Silver-washed Fritillary (11), Brimstone (3), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (4), Peacock (11), Gatekeeper (2), Small White (5), Large White (4), Small Skipper (1). "hardly any flowers not many butterflies had to search the woods for these, weather warm but a lot of cloud".



Brimstone



Small Skipper



Silver-washed Fritillary

Andy Tremain reports from Broomy Plain/ Ocknell Plain (SU218103) where the following observations were made: Grayling (37 "All seen while walking along roadside"), Gatekeeper (19).

Roy Symonds reports from Straits Inclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU801400) where the following observations were made: Small White (10), Large White (6), Green-veined White (1), Meadow Brown (8), Ringlet (5), Gatekeeper (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (36), Peacock (1), Purple Hairstreak (2). "Arrived at 08.45 to have a chance of see the Purple Emperor feeding, however none seemed to be about. The temperature was 19 degrees with sun at first which then clouded over as I started to walk back along the length of the main track. Due to this and the time of the day accounts for the low numbers reported."

Roy Symonds reports from Goose Green Inclosure, Alice Holt Forest (SU806415) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Meadow Brown (3), Ringlet (3), Gatekeeper (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Purple Emperor (1). "With sunny spells, the weather was not ideal for the Purple Emperor with just one seen as it flew from the master tree and back on a patrol."

Roy Symonds reports from Noar Hill (SU745318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (14 "10 Males 4 Females"), Small White (53), Green-veined White (1), Large White (13), Clouded Yellow (3), Meadow Brown (17), Ringlet (9), Gatekeeper (1), Marbled White (4), Chalkhill Blue (2), Common Blue (2), Peacock (38), Silver-washed Fritillary (7), Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (4). "Improved weather at Noar Hill the temperature was 20 degrees. A good day with 16 different species seen including 3 Clouded Yellows. I had not seen so many Peacocks with 11 feeding on a clump of Hemp Agrimony flowers at the same time. A surprise as well as seeing the Clouded Yellows were 2 Chalkhill Blues. Nor my son or myself had seen them here before. A local warden had also seen several earlier in the day."



Robert Thompson reports from My Garden (SU668001) where the following observations were made: Swallowtail (1 "belived to be female Papilio Gorganus"). "The sighting took place in my Garden at 91 Mayles Road, Milton, Portsmouth, Hants PO4 8NR at approx 15:30. It lasted for about 5 mins. Having looked it up on Google I have concluded that because of its yellow colouring it was most likely to be as described above. I have also reported this to the Portsmouth City Council Countryside Officer, Peter Roberts. We took a (not very good) photo on my wife's phone and when we work out how to transfer it to our computer we will update you with a copy.

Robert and Chris Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (10), Small Copper (1), Meadow Brown (2), Ringlet (1), Brimstone (1), Large White (2), Small White (2).

Robert Guest reports from Crondall (SU798485) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1).

Phil Lowe reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU641205) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Flying and settling many times, on the North side of the hill fort"), Silver-spotted Skipper (2 "South side of the hill fort"), Painted Lady (1 "On the path from the main car park to the hill fort"), Chalkhill Blue (100 "Too many to count - excellent show of numbers"), Common Blue (3 "South side of the hill fort"), Brimstone (6 "Lower path north/south of the main car park"), Small Heath (4 "Scattered about the site - good to see 2nd brood"), Peacock (9 "Scattered about the site"), Small Tortoiseshell (3 "Lower path north/south of the main car park"). "Such a large quantity of Large & Small Whites, Meadow Browns, Gatekeepers but still haven't seen an Adonis Blue up there."



Clouded Yellow



Painted Lady



Painted Lady

Andy Bolton reports from Hampshire Clinic, Old Basing (SU653526) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Brimstone (1), Peacock (5), Small White (1). "On Buddleia."

Andy Bolton reports from meadow nr. Basingstoke Fen (SU652524) where the following observations were made: Peacock (12), Gatekeeper (7), Common Blue (1), Holly Blue (1).

## Wednesday 7th August

Rob Souter reports from Micheldever Station (SU507426) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (1 "Recorded in tetrad before but not in this 1km square").

john hunt reports from Hilliers Gardens Romsey (SU382238) where the following observations were made: Small White (0), Large White (6), Painted Lady (1), Small Copper (1), Green-veined White (6), Peacock (12), Gatekeeper (3), Meadow Brown (5), Brimstone (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (4).



Silver-washed Fritillary

Judith Frank reports from Stockbridge Common Marsh (SU355337) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (67 "that's what I managed to count, they were abundant"), Meadow Brown (28), Ringlet (3 "looking rather faded "), Brimstone (3), Peacock (1), Large Skipper (1). "This count was along the west facing hedge boundary of the marsh where plenty of bramble and thistles attracted the most butterflies. Water mint was also popular with the Gatekeepers. There were also many Whites, large, small and green veined which I failed to count."

John Levesley reports from Bransgore private garden (SZ185979) where the following observations were made: Moth (Mint Moth) (1 "On apple int").



Mint Moth

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Small Heath (1 "Not a usual find"), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Meadow Brown (10), Brimstone (1 "Male"), Large White (4), Green-veined White (1 "very tatty wings"), Small White (2), Silver Y moth (1). "Lovely warm, sunny day".

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Peacock (10), Grayling (1), Ringlet (2), Meadow Brown (1), Gatekeeper (1), Brimstone (4), Large White (2), Small White (1).

Andy Barker writes: "When visiting Shipton Bellinger today, I saw two fresh male Brown Hairstreaks, one of which posed nicely for the camera as it nectared on creeping thistle (see photo). Another highlight of the visit was seeing a mass of whites tussling in mid air. It actually turned out to be six Small Whites mobbing a female Brimstone (see photo). These seemed very odd, but interestingly, I had seen the same behaviour last week when visiting the Lost Gardens of Helligan in Cornwall. Again, it was small whites giving a female Brimstone a hard time. In each case, the battle and pursuit lasted at least 2-3 minutes, if not longer. Has anyone got any ideas about the reason for this behaviour. When visiting Broughton Down on my way home, I saw three fresh Silver-spotted Skippers. Unfortunately, the first of these chose the wrong stemless thistle to land on and was immediately caught by a crab spider (see photo)."



Brown Hairstreak



Large Whites mobbing Brimstone



Silver-spotted Skipper



Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10 "Looking fresh"), Gatekeeper (5), Green-veined White (2), Large White (3), Large Skipper (1), Meadow Brown (3), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (7), Purple Emperor (1 "Worn female seen on the path, very wobbly and flew off only at waist height"), Purple Hairstreak (1), Ringlet (7 "Some looking quite worn now"), Silver-washed Fritillary (9 "Saw a trail of 5 together chasing, and a different male circling a valezina female, plus others, may have under-estimated"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (5), Speckled Wood (3), White Admiral (1 "Worn individual"), 12+ hawker dragonflies, likely m (0). "Was rather overcast at first, but a break in the cloud resulted in sunshine, causing an immediate upsurge in the butterflies. Straight away I saw several s/w fritillaries, the purple hairstreak, the white admiral and the hawksers."

Sue Lambert reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU506291) where the following observations were made: Small White (20), Red Admiral (2), Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (5), Brimstone (3), Green-veined White (2), Meadow Brown (10), Marbled White (1), Chalkhill Blue (40), Common Blue (5), Gatekeeper (3), Small Blue (2 "Including a mating pair."), Silver-Y Moth (2), 6-spot Burnet moth (20), Common Carpet Moth (2). "A very well attended 'Wednesday Wander' was rewarded with 13 different butterfly species. The sun was hazy but it was warm. Six species were seen on the buddlia in the top car park."



Chalkhill Blue



Common Blue



Small Blue

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field (SU382161) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1), Common Blue (2), Meadow Brown (15), Small White (14), Gatekeeper (5), Speckled Wood (6), Peacock (1), Cinnabar Moth (3 Larval). "A short walk in the late afternoon resulted in my first sighting of a Small Copper and the first sighting on this field of Common Blue for the year."



Common Blue



Small Copper



Speckled Wood

mark swann reports from broadlands estate (SU359195) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (22), Painted Lady (3), Comma (47), Brown Argus (1), Small Copper (2), Common Blue (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Holly Blue (5), Brimstone (35), Peacock (12). "A big arrival of clouded yellows most were in a large field of set aside but others were pushing northwards up the test valley. Of note was a field margin which contained 500 - 1000 small + large whites and brimstones".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Small White (3), Common Blue (2 "1 male and a new female"), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (5), Gatekeeper (25), Silver Y Moth (47 "Fresh influx since last night").

Paul Crook reports from Ludshott Common (SU852353) where the following observations were made: Large Skipper (1), Gatekeeper (1), Grayling (3). "Not many butterflies seen but all recorded between 6.45pm and 7.15pm so, in view of the lateness, quite a reasonable total".

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU831361) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Peacock (1). "Both seen at around 6.30pm. In all a total of 14 different butterflies have now been spotted in our garden this year."

Julie Cox reports from Field edge, near Griggs Green (SU8332) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Small Skipper (1), Meadow Brown (4), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Speckled Wood (3), Brimstone (1), Grayling (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Penton Mewsey (SU335475) where the following observations were made: Large White (26), Small White (4), Green-veined White (6), Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (4), Meadow Brown (9), Peacock (5), Comma (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Chalk Croft (SU335485) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (2), Green-veined White (3), Meadow Brown (5), Gatekeeper (1), Holly Blue (3).

Mike Wildish reports from Nutbane Copse (SU335495) where the following observations were made: Large White (9), Small White (6), Green-veined White (9), Meadow Brown (5), Peacock (2), Holly Blue (1).

Rosemary Freeman reports from Gosport (SU601014) where the following observations were made: . "Possible Garden Tiger Moth".

John R Jones reports from Lower Titchfield Haven NNR (SU533028) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (57), Ringlet (47), Gatekeeper (91), Comma (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (60), Meadow Brown (27), Large White (13), Peacock (23), White Admiral (2), Brimstone (10), Small Skipper (10), Large Skipper (1), Small White (1), Brown Argus (1), Speckled Wood (8), Holly Blue (1), silver y (14). "All seen on the transect today".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east), Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Common Blue (7 "6 males & 1 female"), Holly Blue (4), Marbled White (3), Gatekeeper (100 "including one ab. multicephala(photographed)"), Meadow Brown (100). "1150-1250".

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1).

sam mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (1).

## Tuesday 6th August

Lynn Kelly reports from Lee on the Solent garden (SU5600) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1 "A male Monarch landed briefly on the runner beans. Nice sight but sadly no camera handy as usual. This is the second sighting I have had in my garden, the last one a few weeks ago was a female.").

Rob Souter reports from Micheldever Station (SU514426) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Moving north at 13:30").

Tim Graham reports from MHD - Extension (SU512291) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Holly Blue (2 "mating pair"), Chalkhill Blue (9), Marbled White (3). "21C - sunny. 12 - 1. Above are some highlights of transect."

Pete Eeles reports from Stockbridge Down (SU380346) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (5000 "Could well be double this number. They're everywhere! I also found an ab. fowleri"), Brimstone (3), Brown Argus (2), Clouded Yellow (2 "1 male, and 1 female f. helice"), Dark Green Fritillary (7 "All female and all looking worn"), Gatekeeper (12), Large White (15), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (35), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Silver-spotted

Skipper (9 "7 male, 2 female"), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (2), Small White (14). "The Chalkhills are absolutely everywhere and a conservative (and unscientific) estimate would put their numbers at around the 5000 mark, but there could easily be double this number. Lots of emerging adults, mating pairs and ovipositing females. Wandering through the clouds of butterflies was "heaven on earth" as far as I'm concerned. A Chalkhill Blue *ab.fowleri* and Clouded Yellow female *f.helice* were nice surprises!".

Chalkhill Blue *ab.fowleri*Clouded Yellow *f.helice*

Silver-spotted Skipper

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Gatekeeper (3 "Not found for several years"), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (20 "Always found in large numbers at this place"), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (1), Small White (3), Common Blue (1 "Male, first sighting this year at this place"). "Weather was sunny, warm, meadow was busy with flying insects."

Barry and Margaret Collins reports from Oxenbourne Down (SU715185) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (9), Brown Argus (1), Chalkhill Blue (300), Comma (2), Dark Green Fritillary (6), Gatekeeper (20), Large Skipper (1), Large White (70), Marbled White (7), Meadow Brown (30), Painted Lady (4), Peacock (60), Silver-spotted Skipper (18), Silver-washed Fritillary (14), Small Copper (2), Small Skipper (12), Small White (100), Speckled Wood (2). "A very enjoyable 3 hour visit from 1100-1400, we also had several Silver Y and 2 *Pyrausta purpuralis*."

Chris Cobb reports from Cams Bay (SU594055) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (9), Large White (13), Gatekeeper (3), Common Blue (1), Clouded Yellow (2). "15:30".

S R Boswell reports from Lyndhurst (SU2908) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (3), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Small White (2), Peacock (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "All on Buddleia at same time, also Hummingbird Hawk Moth".

mark swann reports from shipton bellinger (SU212440) where the following observations were made: **Brown Hairstreak** (5), Large White (100), Small White (100). "The brown hairstreaks were all just emerging. 3m + 2f".

Richard Carpenter & Heather Anthony reports from Hook Shore (SU4904) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Comma (5), Common Blue (6), Red Admiral (3), Small Copper (1), Silver Y (15).

H Price- Rogers reports from 11 Ward Avenue Cowes IOW (491963) where the following observations were made: Jersey Tiger Moth (1 "Found in Garden of above address by Henry aged 8 yrs").



Jersey Tiger



Jersey Tiger



Jersey Tiger

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Small White (4), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (7), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (14), Silver Y Moth (13).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (8), Green-veined White (7), Large White (4), Meadow Brown (2), Painted Lady (2 "Very fresh, beautiful pink flush"), Peacock (8), Ringlet (11), Silver-washed Fritillary (9 "Still in quite good condition on the whole"), Small Skipper (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (10), Speckled Wood (9 "All very feisty, battling each other"), Brimstone (15 "8 males, 7 females, all very fresh"), Jersey tiger moth (1 "Very beautiful and definite id, will take camera next time!"). "This was in half an hour at lunchtime, only got to the first junction on the path before going back."

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "2 female"), Small White (7), Large White (5), Green-veined White (2), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (2), Comma (1), Painted Lady (1), Speckled Wood (2), Gatekeeper (12), Meadow Brown (15), Large Skipper (3), Small Skipper (7), Essex Skipper (2), Holly Blue (2), Common Blue (6), Small Copper (3). "The above found in the garden by midday."

Mervyn Grist reports from Faccombe east (SU397589) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (3), Green-veined White (1), Chalkhill Blue (1), Peacock (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (5), Silver Y moth (3), *Pyrausta aurata* (2). "A fairly typical assortment for a lane by a wood edge in the far north west of the county. The Chalkhill Blue must have wandered down from the chalk hillside above."

Hazel Pratt reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (20 "16 male, 4 female. The males were a really brilliant yellow."), Chalkhill Blue (2000 "This estimate is probably well on the low side. There were clouds of them everywhere on the southern slopes round the fort with clusters of seven or eight males round a single female."), Clouded Yellow (1 "A lovely orange shade of yellow. I was delighted to see it."), Common Blue (18 "I probably missed some among the many Chalkhills."), Dark Green Fritillary (7 "All females, rather worn."), Gatekeeper (22), Green-veined White (2), Large White (70 "Estimated, probably more."), Marbled White (6), Meadow Brown (18), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (24), Red Admiral (3), Ringlet (2), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (0), Small Skipper (10), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (40), Speckled Wood (1). "Another brilliant day with butterflies."

Mike Gregory reports from peel common (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Large White (69), Common Blue (15), Meadow Brown (38), Gatekeeper (15), Comma (1), Marbled White (2), Small Skipper (8), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (3), Red Admiral (1).

Robert and Judy Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (6), Comma (2), Holly Blue (1), Meadow Brown (1), Gatekeeper (1), Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (5), Large White (3), Small White (2), Large Skipper (1).

Sue Lambert reports from Garden Rowhams (SU381164) where the following observations were made: Peacock (8), Large White (3), Small White (7), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1).



Comma



Painted Lady



Red Admiral

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU832362) where the following observations were made: Peacock (6).

Julie Cox reports from Edge of Field nr Griggs Green (SU8332) where the following observations were made: Small White (10), Meadow Brown (13), Comma (1), Ringlet (3), Gatekeeper (7), Small Skipper (8), Large White (2), Peacock (4 "On Buddleia bush edge of woodland path in sun").

Lawrence Phillips reports from Lipizzaner Fields (SU517096) where the following observations were made: Large Tortoiseshell (1 "Female on curtain in bedroom."), "House garden has several wild flowers and bee/butterfly friendly flowers."

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - normandy (SZ335941) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "On sea wall at Normandy Lagoon.").

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven (SZ326925) where the following observations were made: Wall (1 "Along sea wall of pennington Marshes."). "The only Wall seen all day during a walk from Lymington to Keyhaven Lagoon and back."

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Butts Lagoon (SZ322921) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Keyhaven - Keyhaven Lagoon (SZ316919) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Anne McCue reports from Salterns Road, Stubbington (SU550017) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "1045".

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore (SU526025) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Large White (2), Small White (51), Gatekeeper (6), Meadow Brown (1). "1050".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (8), Common Blue (1 "male"), Red Admiral (1), Painted Lady (1), Comma (4), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (8). "in my garden".

## Monday 5th August

Simon Layton reports from Fishlake Meadows (SU356231) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Male").

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Comma (2 Larval "One on nettle and bizarrely, one feeding on red currant").

Tim and Sue Graham reports from Ampfield Woods (SU405241) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Speckled Wood (45), Silver-washed Fritillary (10). "19C, overcast."

Julie Thomas reports from Testwood lakes (SU340148) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Seen in pristine condition").

Gary palmer reports from bars ave new milton (SZ246956) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (2), Peacock (2), Large White (2), Small White (3), Green-veined White (2), Meadow Brown (1). "The above found on buddleia in garden."

Anne McCue reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ611981) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (2), Large White (2), Small White (7), Common Blue (4), Holly Blue (1), Red Admiral (3), Painted Lady (2), Peacock (1), Comma (7), Speckled Wood (4), Gatekeeper (17), Meadow Brown (7), Ringlet (1 "photographed"). "1250-1310".

Anne McCue reports from Stokes Bay(old moat east), Gosport (SZ595986) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1). "1410".

## Sunday 4th August

Mike Wildish reports from Cow Down Interchange (SU385445) where the following observations were made: Large White (13), Green-veined White (5), Small White (3), Comma (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (17), Meadow Brown (4), Gatekeeper (2), Essex Skipper (2).

Mike Wildish reports from Balls Cottages (SU395445) where the following observations were made: Large White (21), Small White (7), Green-veined White (2), Marbled White (5), Ringlet (1), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (5), Essex Skipper (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Harewood Forest, Central (SU395435) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Green-veined White (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Speckled Wood (1), Ringlet (6), Gatekeeper (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Harewood Forest, Cowdown (SU385435) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (4), Green-veined White (2), Speckled Wood (1), Ringlet (1), Gatekeeper (2).

Neil Ludford reports from upper cornaway lane (SU607063) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (3), Comma (1), Green-veined White (1), Holly Blue (13), Large White (8), Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (30), Small White (7).

R Bryant reports from Crab Wood, Winchester (SU437296) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (12), Meadow Brown (6), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (3), Ringlet (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (13), Small Skipper (1), Small White (7 "possibly g-v whites as well"), Speckled Wood (3), White-letter Hairstreak (1 "on hemp agrimony - quite a surprise sighting!").

Peter Short reports from Warnford (SU581220) where the following observations were made: Small White (17), Large White (12), Green-veined White (4), Small Tortoiseshell (7), Peacock (6), Meadow Brown (6), Ringlet (2), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Peacock (6), Gatekeeper (9), Comma (2), Red Admiral (1), Painted Lady (1), Holly Blue (1), Common Blue (1).

Barry and Margaret Collins reports from Chalton Down (SU735156) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (300), Gatekeeper (15), Holly Blue (1), Large White (8), Meadow Brown (4), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (3), Red Admiral (1), Small Heath (1). "We were at Chalton Down from 1430-1545, there were also 2 Oak Eggar on the wing and 2 Hobby were hawking for insects."

Richard Symonds reports from Chalton Down, Old Idsworth (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Small White (58), Large White (37), Green-veined White (5), Brimstone (1 "Female"), Clouded Yellow (1), Meadow Brown (50), Gatekeeper (21), Marbled White (1), Chalkhill Blue (480 "Comprising 435 males and 45 females"), Common Blue (2 "Males"), Peacock (2), Small Skipper (8), Large Skipper (1). "My last butterfly trip before returning home to Cornwall. At Chalton Down the temperature was 20 degrees, and as usual at this time of the year the hillside was teeming with Chalkhill Blues. Two males had underside aberrations involving a decrease in the number of black spots, while one female on the upperside had a row of bright orange lunules along the base of the hind wings with a few white spots on the brown areas. It sat very still as I managed a photo of both the upperside and underside (which appeared normal), photos will be added once I return home. I found a mating pair of Chalkhill Blues which had attracted the attention of a wasp which I found devouring the female with the male still attached. I disturbed the wasp, whereupon the male flew off with the dead female still attached! A single male Clouded Yellow appeared which flew along the top of the slope stopping every so often to feed".



Chalkhill blue ab. *albocuneata*



Clouded Yellow

Hazel Pratt reports from Straits Inclosure (SU805403) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (10), Holly Blue (1), Large White (12), Meadow Brown (6), Peacock (4), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (8), Silver-washed Fritillary (16), Small White (6), Small Skipper (3), White Admiral (2).

Linda Davis reports from Westhill, Shanklin (SZ578810) where the following observations were made: Jersey Tiger Moth (1 "Stayed for about two hours on Eupatorium Cannabinum").



Jersey Tiger

Hazel Pratt reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU794430) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (6), Large White (8), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (8), Peacock (2), Ringlet (7), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), Small Skipper (4), Small White (6).

peter gardner reports from micheldever woods (SU556404) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (6), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (14), Small White (18), Meadow Brown (29), Large White (0), Small Skipper (12), Brimstone (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), Gatekeeper (5), Peacock (14), White Admiral (2), Green-veined White (2). "good day with some small cloud cover to cool things down, good show of frits".



White Admiral



Silver-washed Fritillary



Red Admiral

Martin Pitt reports from Carpenters Down/ Basing Forest (SU646555) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (20), Large Skipper (2), Large White (30), Meadow Brown (20), Peacock (50), Ringlet (20), Painted Lady (1), Common Blue (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (60), Speckled Wood (10), White Admiral (2), Brimstone (1), Small White (5), Brown Hawker (1), Emperor (1).

Anne McCue reports from Browndown South(east), Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (12), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1), Comma (1), Purple Hairstreak (10 "good photographs"), Grayling (7 "including a mating pair"), Gatekeeper (7). "1140-1300".

Anne McCue reports from Browndown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Grayling (22 "including a mating pair"), Gatekeeper (6), Small White (2), Common Blue (1 "male"), Brown Argus (1). "1300-1330".

Anne McCue reports from Gomer Lane(south), Gosport (SZ589991) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1 "2nd brood"). "1430".

Sue Lambert reports from Ran's Wood (SU366024) where the following observations were made: Silver-studded Blue (2), Small White (6), Small Heath (5), Meadow Brown (6), Gatekeeper (1), Large White (2).



Silver-studded Blue

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/ alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (7), Gatekeeper (148), Meadow Brown (66), Small Skipper (2), Essex Skipper (3), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Large White (20), Marbled White (2), Comma (5).

Andy Bolton reports from Set Aside land, Wheathold road (SU562605) where the following observations were made: Essex Skipper (3), Common Blue (1), Marbled White (1), Gatekeeper (5), Six-spot Burnet (4), Shaded Broad-bar (1), Cinnabar (110 Larval).

David Tinling reports from Haslar(south-west), Gosport (SZ614981) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "female taking buddleia nectar"), Small White (3 "males"), Small/Essex Skipper (1), Common Blue (8 "7 males, one taking bramble nectar, & 1 brown female taking nectar from knapweed & bryony"), Painted Lady (7 "taking nectar from buddleia & ragwort"), Peacock (2 "taking buddleia nectar"), Comma (2 "hutchinsoni, taking buddleia nectar"), Gatekeeper (7 "taking ragwort nectar"), Meadow Brown (10). "0955-1025".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Large White (3 "2 males & 1 female taking buddleia nectar"), Small White (12 "8 males & 4 female taking nectar from creeping thistle & prickly sow-thistle"), Red Admiral (4), Painted Lady (4 "taking buddleia nectar"), Peacock (1 "taking buddleia nectar"), Comma (1 "hutchinsoni taking buddleia nectar"), Small Copper (1 "2nd brood"), Common Blue (3 "2 males & 1 female"), Gatekeeper (12 "taking ragwort nectar"), Meadow Brown (4 "taking nectar from ragwort & bramble"). "1025-1040".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker, Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Large White (2 "male & female"), Small White (13 "including 1 female, taking ragwort nectar"), Green-veined White (1 "female taking ragwort nectar"), Essex Skipper (1 "male"), Small Copper (2 "2nd brood taking ragwort nectar"), Common Blue (3 "2nd brood male & 2 females"), Painted Lady (5 "taking nectar from buddleia & ragwort"), Peacock (3 "taking buddleia nectar"), Gatekeeper (27 "taking ragwort nectar"), Meadow Brown (3 "taking ragwort nectar"). "1050-1130".

John Vetterlein reports from Southampton Old Cemetery (SU414137) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1 "Positive ID, male, taking nectar from Bell Heather. A first for this location.").

David W Hunt reports from Our Garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (2), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (4), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (24), Silver Y Moth (26).

Isobel Bretherton reports from farmland, Meonstoke, Hants SO32 3NR (SU6194221167) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "flying rapidly on field margin"). "farmland off Sharvards Lane, Meonstoke, Hampshire SO32 3NR SU 61942 21167".

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2).

## Saturday 3rd August

Isabella Talbot reports from Ashmore hill (SU420292) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3), Comma (1), Dark Green Fritillary (12 "females"), Gatekeeper (20), Large Skipper (12), Large White (30), Marbled White (10), Peacock (2), Ringlet (3), Small Copper (2), Small Heath (2), Small Skipper (3), Small White (6), Common Blue (5), Brimstone (0), Meadow Brown (26).



Graham Dennis reports from Benyons Inclosure (SU613604) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "1 Female"). "I was pollarding some grey willows when a lady stopped to ask about butterflies, she asked what purple emperors looked like and as I was describing them this female came down to inspect one of the willows we were about to pollard, then it flew around us and went off. The lady then confirmed that was what she had just seen. Sometimes nature can be very confiding."

Isabella Talbot reports from the Meon Valley where the following observations were made: Brimstone (6), Comma (1), Common Blue (4), Dark Green Fritillary (16), Gatekeeper (15), Large Skipper (6), Large White (17), Marbled White (11), Meadow Brown (12), Peacock (3), Ringlet (2), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (2), Small White (8).

Paul Crook reports from Headley Down (SU840359) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Gatekeeper (1), Large Skipper (1), Large White (6), Meadow Brown (6), Painted Lady (1), Small White (20), Peacock (20).



Clouded Yellow



Clouded Yellow

Graham Dennis reports from Benyons Inclosure (SU629632) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "On bramble flowers, 1 valesina").

Sue Lambert reports from Garden Rowhams (SU381164) where the following observations were made: Peacock (9), Small White (6), Large White (3), Brimstone (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Meadow Brown (1). "The butterflies are still very busy on the Buddlia and Lavender. I am not sure where the Meadow Brown came from as the nearest meadow/grassland is about 3-400yds away!".

Margaret Feneley reports from Back garden (SU416058) where the following observations were made: Monarch (1). "Returned twice within the space of five minutes, rested for several seconds on shrubs".

Andrew Brookes reports from Huntbourn Wood (SU619127) where the following observations were made: Green-veined White (6), Large White (2), Marbled White (1), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (5), Ringlet (4). "Evidently summer is over; no fritillaries, white admirals, emperors, vanessids or skippers; abysmal tally."

Andrew Brookes reports from Castle Shore Park, Portchester (SU622051) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (2), Green-veined White (22), Holly Blue (1), Large White (12), Meadow Brown (12), Peacock (5 "All on 'feral' buddleja"), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Small White (9).

David W Hunt reports from Our Garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (5), Small White (3), Common Blue (1 "Male"), Painted Lady (1 "Basking on patio (Pic attached)"), Peacock (9), Gatekeeper (25), Ringlet (1), Silver Y Moth (35 "Appear at dusk on Lavender, Buddliea, Perp Wallflower & Evening Primrose."), Elephant Hawk Moth (1 Larval "Caterpillar feeding on Bedstraw").



Painted Lady



Elephant Hawkmoth larva

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Comma (6), Common Blue (8), Dark Green Fritillary (3), Gatekeeper (10), Green-veined White (1), Large White (16), Marbled White (4), Meadow Brown (8), Peacock (24), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (4), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Small Blue (3), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (1), Small Skipper (4), Small White (6), Speckled Wood (1), Six spot burnet moth (6). "Time 2.45 - 4.45 pm. Sunny with a breeze but hot in the sheltered spots. The first time I have seen Small blues and Dark Green Fritillaries here and the most species I have seen at this site on any one visit. A very enjoyable afternoon."

Mervyn Grist reports from Harewood Forest north (SU406456) where the following observations were made: Small Skipper (3), Brimstone (3), Large White (3), Small White (14), Green-veined White (9), White Admiral (3), Purple Emperor (1), Peacock (10), Silver-washed Fritillary (27), Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (2), Gatekeeper (6), Meadow Brown (15), Ringlet (4). "The fourteen species were recorded in perfect weather conditions along the well known short footpath in the north section of Harewood. Several Silver-washed Fritillary males performed their looping mating flight in chase of females one of which was f. valesina. One of the White Admirals was a small individual - I thought it was a moth at first! I was buzzed by the Purple Emperor which then flew vigorously around in a canopy gap before disappearing in the direction of one of the very few tall Sallows in this part of the forest."

peter gardner reports from Henwood (SU644233) where the following observations were made: Ringlet (26), Meadow Brown (10), Small White (14), Common Blue (2), Comma (4), Small Skipper (12), Large Skipper (1), Large White (5), Red Admiral (3), Gatekeeper (12), Marbled White (35), Silver-washed Fritillary (6), Peacock (62), Brimstone (1). "a bit hot but not too bad under the trees, the peacocks were amazing every where, surprised to see the common blue, we have never seen them there before."



Common Blue



Peacock



Red Admiral

Ashley and Jackie Whitlock reports from Abbots Wood Inclosure (SU810400) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Gatekeeper (20), Large White (25), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (10), Peacock (2), Purple Emperor (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Skipper (4), Small White (10), Speckled Wood (2). "Date: 03 August 2013 Weather: Windy at times, Large amounts of cloud, sunny periods Temperature: 65-70f Recorders: Ashley & Jackie Whitlock Abbott Wood Inclosure Despite the weather which was very windy at times, with periods of complete calm when the sun shone, there was a lot of butterflies about, with Silver-Washed Fritillaries, which looked as if they had hatched yesterday, and there was also some Purple Hairstreaks to be seen, with several seen flying in and around the base of the tree line of several of the oaks. Unfortunately the White Admiral seems to have succumbed to the bad weather at the end of the July. As for "him" well one was seen at the top of an oak battling against the wind trying to "oak" edge, but seemed to give up and dived into an oak sprig thicket at 1050. As I walked just along the main ride the wind seemed to be taking charge, and there wasn't much at the tree tops at all, probably why the Purple Hairstreaks were down lower. Walking back to the car I espied another male flying very quickly in and out of the oaks along the ride at 1122. I did go to



have a look at one of the territory areas, but alas I think I was too early, and the weather seemed to be getting very windy, so seeing one was going to be a tall order. So here end's the best Purple Emperor season for quite some time in Hampshire roll on 2014!"

Rupert Pyrah reports from Sydmonton Common (SU490628) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1). "Female?".

Martin Pitt reports from Silchester - Roman walls and local fields (SU6362) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Clouded Yellow (1), Gatekeeper (50), Meadow Brown (50), Large White (20), Peacock (20), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Ringlet (10).

Lynden Bowen reports from Sandy Balls Bug Meadow (SU166143) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "Never found before at this place"), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (2), Marbled White (2 "First time found at this place"), Meadow Brown (20), Small White (3), Large White (3), Brimstone (1), Wall (1 "First time found at this place, so exciting."), Silver Y moth (1), Six spotted Burnett moth (10 "Slowly growing in numbers after previous poor summers.").

Jon Holden-Dye reports from Southampton Bassett (SU414152) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (2 "1 rather ragged; 1 fresh. Both male."). "First time ever, in our very small (but butterfly-friendly) garden, in urban Bassett - within 100m. of the top end of the Common - but have yet to see the species on the Common.".

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2).

## Friday 2nd August

J Travers reports from Holly Hill, Bassett, Southampton (SU416159) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Warm and sunny"), Gatekeeper (4 "Warm and Sunny"), Peacock (3 "Warm and Sunny"), Large White (5 "Warm and sunny"), Holly Blue (1 "Warm and sunny"). "Urban Garden.".

Ashley Whitlock reports from Milton Lock foreshore (SZ675994) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Marbled White (2), Gatekeeper (8), Meadow Brown (5), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Painted Lady (1), Large White (20), Small White (15), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (6), Essex Skipper (4). "A walk around my local patch and the specie count has really shot up over the last month or so, with the Essex Skipper being a first for me here, and a lovely Painted Lady imbibing on the salty seaweed at the tideline, and the Small Tortoiseshell now looking rather forlorn. Whites all over the place looking for a quick entry into the nearby Allotment hoping the gardeners have left some Brassics exposed for next years broods.".



Essex Skipper



Painted Lady



Small Tortoiseshell

Andy Stocker reports from Straits Inclosure (SU8040) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "Female egg laying."), Comma (5), Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (20), Large Skipper (8), Large White (30), Meadow Brown (3), Peacock (10), Purple Hairstreak (10), Red Admiral (1), Ringlet (20), Small Heath (3), Small Skipper (4), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (2), White Admiral (6), Silver-washed Fritillary (25), Painted Lady (1). "Female Emporor between car park and first Observation tower at 16.00 but no sign of any males. I was surprised to see several White Admirals still, numbers of Purple Hairstreaks no doubt under estimated as most were seen when disturbed by other species.".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (14 "Mostly on Buddleia. Some on Fleabane and Perp. Wallflower."), Small White (6 "On Fleabane and Ragwort"), Common Blue (2 "Males - defending patches of long grass"), Red Admiral (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Painted Lady (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Peacock (13 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Comma (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Speckled Wood (1 "Basking on fence"), Meadow Brown (1 "Female - Feeding on Fleabane"), Ringlet (1 "Basking in long grass - tatty - 1st record for this site"), Gatekeeper (30 "Feeding on Fleabane, Ragwort, Buddleia and Water Mint"), Silver Y Moth (25 "See Comments"). "Silver Y Moths: Seen late evening on 1st August. At dusk on Lavender - mostly Hidcote and Munsted - other varieties not popular. As darkness increased some migrated to Buddleia. Feeding frantically as usual with wings always moving except for 1 which was on an Evening Primrose and seemed stupefied. Even my flash photo did not budge it (attached). It later flew off by itself. I have seen similar behaviour on "Casablanca" Lily. No idea why this happens. By morning all bar one have gone.".



Silver Y

Hazel Pratt reports from Goose Green Inclosure (SU806415) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (2), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (2), Ringlet (1), Small Skipper (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (3). "This was a brief visit, 1.50 - 2.20, in a sunny spell to see if the Purple Emperors were still around. I didn't see any. Bad timing? Too impatient?".

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (12), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1), Brimstone (2), Large White (2), Small White (1), Green-veined White (1). "All seen on a single buddleia bush.".

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Hurst (SZ326933) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "Very fresh individual").

John R Jones reports from Lymington/Hurst (SZ3292) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2).

Sue Lambert reports from Bakers Drove Field (SU381161) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (16), Speckled Wood (4), Small White (4), Comma (1), Large White (3), Peacock (1 "Very worn!"), Gatekeeper (6), Southern Hawker Dragonfly (4).



Peacock

A J Pilcher reports from Near Steventon Church (552471) where the following observations were made: . "I am 77 and used to collect butterflies as a boy. We have many species in our woods here. I saw this butterfly as I was mowing out the orchard yesterday. (Lots of sorrel amongst other things). It was golden copper coloured with no discernable wing markings. A little bit smaller than a red admiral. I only report this because I have never seen one here before.".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Large White (3), Small White (8), Common Blue (2 "male & female"), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (2), Comma (2), Holly Blue (1), Gatekeeper (2), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (3), Common Hawker (2 "male & female"), Blue-tailed Damselfly (3 "2 males & female; ovipositing").

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Large White (4 "2 males & 2 females"), Small White (5 "3 males & 2 females"), Green-veined White (1 "male"), Red Admiral (1), Painted Lady (3), Peacock (5), Comma (7 "hutchinsoni"), Gatekeeper (1 "male"), Meadow Brown (2 "male & female"), Speckled Wood (1). "taking Buddleia nectar in my garden;also a 2nd brood male Holly Blue flying around my garden searching for a female;also 5 more Painted Ladies on Buddleias nearby,indicating at least a minor local invasion onto the south-east coast of Gosport through the gap between Portsmouth & the Isle of Wight."

Graeme Davis reports from 2 (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2), Small White (2).

## Thursday 1st August

Mike Wildish reports from Monxton Village (SU315445) where the following observations were made: Large White (22), Small White (6), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (2), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (3), Ringlet (1), Peacock (3).

Mike Wildish reports from Abbots Ann (SU325435) where the following observations were made: Large White (28), Small White (1), Green-veined White (2), Brimstone (2), Meadow Brown (2), Gatekeeper (1), Peacock (10).

Mike Wildish reports from Cattle Lane (SU325445) where the following observations were made: Large White (5), Small White (4), Green-veined White (17), Brimstone (1), Gatekeeper (3), Meadow Brown (1), Comma (1). "More of Mad Mike's ramblings from remote rurality. Large White having a burst at the moment, as is Peacock (16 in my garden just a while ago), then suddenly I hit on a square where Green-veined White rules the roost. Tricky herberts these butterflies!"

Isabel reports from Winchester Road Southampton (SU403147) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Havant Thicket (SU713111) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Marbled White (5), Gatekeeper (100), Meadow Brown (25), Ringlet (5), Red Admiral (2), Purple Emperor (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (10), Large White (50), Brimstone (30), Small White (12), Purple Hairstreak (5), Small Skipper (5), Large Skipper (1). "A look into Havant Thicket to see if the Emperor had made it into August, and Im happy to say it has, one male was seen on its territory at 1310, it didnt particularly like the breeze up in the canopy. Looking at it through binoculars it looked very ill at ease sat on the edge of a beech sprig. It flew around its vista and settled down again facing south. It seemed to be alone,and then at 1330 it flew off, and I never saw it again return to its perch. The Silver-Washed Fritillaries are looking a bit sad now, and I never saw a White Admiral. But it was good to see the summer generation of Holly Blues on the wing."

Ashley Whitlock reports from Oxenbourne Down (SU710189) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Marbled White (25), Gatekeeper (100), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (2), Dark Green Fritillary (11), Silver-washed Fritillary (12), Red Admiral (2), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (50), Brimstone (30), Large White (50), Small White (25), Small Copper (1), Common Blue (8), Chalkhill Blue (50), Holly Blue (2), Small Skipper (30), Large Skipper (1), Essex Skipper (2). "A marvellous trip around one of my favourite sites, (20) species which is the highest for season 2013, and some incredible butterfly counts. The Peacock was everywhere it seemed to swarming all over the Thistles, and Buddleia on site, I think the (50) was probably a conservative estimate. I have never seen so many Large Whites, they were the dominant specie being absolutly everywhere. I think this site now has won over the Fritillary population from QECP as there were the best counts of Silver-Washed Fritillary Ive ever encountered, and the Dark-Green Fritillary was stupendous, I normally only ever encounter one or two if Im lucky, but 2013 was a bonanza!"



Chalkhill Blue



Silver-washed Fritillary



Dark Green Fritillary

Gary palmer reports from crockford close new milton (SZ248963) where the following observations were made: Peacock (12), Large White (2), Small White (2). "on the way out of my close this morning at 8am going to work i counted the above on a buddleia hanging over a neighbours fence."

Gary palmer reports from Barton on sea (SZ244932) where the following observations were made: Peacock (4), Meadow Brown (1), Large White (1), Small White (2), Brimstone (2), Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Holly Blue (1), Gatekeeper (2), Purple Hairstreak (1). "In a garden mainly on buddleia this afternoon".

Mike Gregory reports from peel common (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Common Blue (13), Large White (35), Gatekeeper (5), Marbled White (2), Meadow Brown (4), Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (1).

J-C Talbot reports from Sparsholt (SU428318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (4), Comma (5), Gatekeeper (7), Green-veined White (2), Large White (15), Meadow Brown (2), Peacock (25), Red Admiral (2), Ringlet (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Skipper (2), Small White (10), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small Blue (1).

Richard Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Large White (29), Small White (20), Green-veined White (4), Brimstone (3 "2 Females 1 Male"), Meadow Brown (37), Gatekeeper (23), Marbled White (10), Speckled Wood (3), Peacock (2), Comma (1), Common Blue (3), Brown Argus (1 "Fresh"), Small Skipper (6), Essex Skipper (1 "Confirmed"). "With my father visited this site to see the Marbled White. Most were disturbed from the long grass where most seemed to be at rest possibly as the temperature was at 25 degrees, even before mid day. Saw a freshly emerged Brown Argus, the first I had seen this year which took flight as soon as my camera appeared. Several Small Skippers were feeding on Knapweed flowers, one of which I closely identified as the Essex Skipper, another first for me this year."

Richard Carpenter & Heather Anthony reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (15), Chalkhill Blue (500 "Probably many more - impossible to count"), Clouded Yellow (1), Dark Green Fritillary (11), Red Admiral (5), Small Copper (2), Small Heath (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (40).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Peacock (10 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Red Admiral (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Large White (10 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Small White (4 "Feeding on Fleabane"), Comma (1 "Feeding on Buddleia"), Common Blue (1 "Male - basking in long grass"), Painted Lady (2 "Feeding on Buddleia (pic)"), Gatekeeper (33 "1 pair mating (pic). Feeding on Fleabane, ragwort & Marjoram"), Silver Y Moth (2 "Feeding on Buddleia"). "The southerly winds today seem to have brought an influx of Large Whites as well as 2 Painted Ladies."



Gatekeeper



Painted Lady

Richard Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Large White (9), Small White (7), Green-veined White (3), Brimstone (5 "4 Male 1 Female"), Meadow Brown (12), Gatekeeper (8), Speckled Wood (4), Marbled White (1), Common Blue (2 "1 Male 1 Female"), Holly Blue (3), Peacock (6), Painted Lady (2), Comma (2), Red Admiral (2), Small Skipper (2). "Walked back to the main car park along the path

directly above Queen Alexandra Hospital. Surprised by the number of species flying including many Nymphalids feeding on Buddleia flowers, including two Painted Ladys. Fresh second generation Holly Blues were also flying with most species being attracted to the many Hemp Agrimony flowers."

Rob Skinner reports from Broughton Down (SU291329) where the following observations were made: Silver-spotted Skipper (10 "Lots of S-S Skippers on the wing all looking very fresh"), Brown Argus (5 "Looking very fresh"), Dark Green Fritillary (4 "Very old and tatty looking now. "), Chalkhill Blue (100 "Countless numbers of chalkhills on the wing now").



Silver-spotted Skipper



Silver-spotted Skipper

T Marsh reports from SO16 9RD (SU385152) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "Resting on Lime"), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (1).

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature Res (SU366149) where the following observations were made: Comma (5), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (1). "7pm still warm in sun".

T Marsh reports from Lower Test Nature res (SU365151) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Gatekeeper (3), Small White (2). "8pm vegetation between Test Way footpath and Railway line".

Andy Stocker reports from Whitehill (SU785342) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (1 "Female around garden shrubs. Another garden first, nearest previous observation 1/2 mile distant."), Brimstone (1), Comma (3), Common Blue (2), Gatekeeper (3), Large Skipper (2), Large White (0), Meadow Brown (1), Painted Lady (1), Peacock (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

peter gardner reports from stockbridge down (SU386364) where the following observations were made: Peacock (24), Silver-washed Fritillary (17), Large White (104), Brimstone (27), Small Skipper (20), Small White (100), Meadow Brown (25), Red Admiral (2), Marbled White (7), Chalkhill Blue (500), Ringlet (6), Dark Green Fritillary (19), Gatekeeper (16), Brown Argus (3), Common Blue (9), Small Heath (1), Small Copper (2), Green-veined White (2), Silver-spotted Skipper (7).



Silver-spotted Skipper



Chalkhill Blue



Dark Green Fritillary

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (8), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (3), Gatekeeper (1), Brimstone (2), Large White (1), Small White (1), Green-veined White (1).

Hazel Pratt reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU506291) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (30), Chalkhill Blue (80 "Estimated, probably more"), Common Blue (2), Dark Green Fritillary (1), Gatekeeper (24), Large White (40), Marbled White (3), Meadow Brown (18), Peacock (26), Red Admiral (4), Small Blue (10), Small Skipper (1).

steve benstead reports from nr brighstone forest (SZ406843) where the following observations were made: Grayling (12 "2 in forest remainder on chalk path"), Dark Green Fritillary (6), Peacock (35), Silver-washed Fritillary (8), Red Admiral (12).

Rupert Pyrah reports from Furze Copse (SU479530) where the following observations were made: White Admiral (1), Comma (1).

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore (undercliffs) (SU524028) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Brimstone (1 "male"), Large White (2), Small White (8), Green-veined White (1), Red Admiral (4), Peacock (3), Meadow Brown (1).

Brian Shorter reports from Crab Wood (433295) where the following observations were made: Purple Emperor (1 "Male on ground at 4pm. Hardly moving."). "Was still there an hour later, when I returned with my wife."

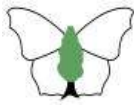


Purple Emperor

Roger Pendell reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU646214) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Large White (42), Small White (80), Peacock (11), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Marbled White (26), Chalkhill Blue (300), Meadow Brown (21), Common Blue (3), Gatekeeper (5), Small Skipper (6), Dark Green Fritillary (2), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2).

Phil Hooper reports from Pamber Forest (SU614608) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (30 "1X Valezina"), Purple Hairstreak (11), Peacock (9), Red Admiral (2), White Admiral (8), Gatekeeper (20), Ringlet (10), Meadow Brown (30), Brimstone (15), Large White (12), Small White (11), Speckled Wood (10), Dark Green Fritillary (7).



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## Monday 30th September

Gary palmer reports from bars ave new milton (SZ246956) where the following observations were made: Peach blossom (1 Larval "on bramble"), Early thorn (1 Larval "on bramble"), Cabbage moth (1 Larval "on pelagonium"), bright line brown eye (1 Larval "on bistort"). "Above found in garden during work."



Early Thorn larva



Peach Blossom larva



Cabbage Moth larva

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Small White (2 "male & female taking buddleia nectar"), Red Admiral (1 "taking budleia nectar"). "1350;in my garden".

## Sunday 29th September

Jennifer Western reports from Brading Downs (SZ597869) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (54), Marbled White (41), Common Blue (3), Chalkhill Blue (52), Speckled Wood (1), Small Skipper (2), Small White (22), Large White (26), Peacock (1), Comma (2), Painted Lady (2), Brimstone (1), Small Copper (1), Clouded Yellow (1).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750984) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (3), Small White (5).

Sue Lambert reports from Testwood Lakes (SU345155) where the following observations were made: Small White (5), Speckled Wood (2), Comma (3), Red Admiral (1). "On a HOS walk at Testwood Lakes we saw a number of butterflies. The Comma's and the Red Admiral were very fresh."



Comma



Red Admiral

Ian Pratt reports from Brading Down (SZ599866) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (2), Common Blue (2), Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Heath (1), Speckled Wood (2).

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs lake/ Alver Valley(SU5700) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Speckled Wood (4).

Mike Gregory reports from Lee-on-the-solent (SU5600) where the following observations were made: Large White (6).

nick lawrence reports from noar hill (SU741319) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Meadow Brown (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Heath (2), Speckled Wood (4), Small White (1), Large White (1).



Small Tortoiseshell

David Tinling reports from Haslar(south-west),Gosport (SZ614981) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "female taking nectar from prickly sow-thistle"). "1125-1140".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (1). "1140-1145".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Small White (2 "males"), Comma (1 "imbibing blackberry juice"), Common Darter (3). "1150-1215".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west),Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Common Blue (1 "very old 2nd brood male"), Common Darter (6). "1225-1250".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west),Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "female taking cat's-ear nectar"), Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Common Darter (8). "1245-1320".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small White (15 "13 males & 2 females"), Red Admiral (9 "taking ivy nectar"), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in daylight"), Common Darter (1). "1320-1405;cloudy but warm after late morning sunshine".

peter gardner reports from avington west (SU525312) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5), Small White (2), Comma (5), Speckled Wood (2), Brimstone (1), Small Copper (1), Adonis Blue (0). "very pleasant day with short periods of warm sun hardly a breeze, we travelled east yesterday so we went west this time different habitat."





Comma



Red Admiral



Speckled Wood

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden (SU708263) where the following observations were made: Comma (5), Red Admiral (2), Small White (2). "thank goodness that the sun did make a short appearance to open the café for them to feed, but as soon as it disappeared so did they".



Red Admiral



Comma

Anne McCue reports from Newport Road, Gosport (SU597004) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (2). "in a private garden".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1). "in my garden".

Steve Mansfield reports from Alresford Oxdrove Way (SU5733) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Abbotstone (SU5634) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Comma (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Abbotstone Down (SU5833) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2), Speckled Wood (5), Small White (3), Comma (1), Angle Shades (1).



Angle Shades

Steve Mansfield reports from Godsfield Copse (SU6038) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (9), Small White (7), Comma (1).

## Saturday 28th September

mark tutton reports from Havant thicket (SU715112) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (7). "Still not managed to find a purple emperor larvae - 6hrs searching so far".

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Humming-bird Hawk-moth (1).

peter gardner reports from avington (SU530325) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (11), Small White (3), Brimstone (4), Comma (2), Red Admiral (1). "did not expect to see any but we saw 17 great".



Speckled Wood



Small Copper



Comma

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Red Admiral (1).

## Friday 27th September

John Levesley reports from private garden bransgore (SZ185979) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "on Echinacea and Sedum").



Small Copper



Small Copper

David Tinling reports from Haslar (north-west), Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male taking buddleia nectar in my garden").

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Garden (SU497148) where the following observations were made: Knot Grass (4 Larval "2 feeding on Ash & 2 feeding on Leycesteria").

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU507141) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (3), Comma (3 "ranging from quite fresh to very worn"), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (2). "Seen in warm sunny conditions between 2.30 and 3.15pm on Buddleia and Bramble."

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU503144) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Red Admiral (1 Larval "perhaps 3rd instar"), Comma (1 Larval "final instar").

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU499147) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1).

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1).

## Thursday 26th September

Herby Webb reports from Footpath from A27 to Fish Ponds. (SU5406) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (2), Holly Blue (1), Speckled Wood (4).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Humming-bird Hawk-moth (1).

## Wednesday 25th September

Gary palmer reports from newland manor milford on sea (SZ287933) where the following observations were made: buff ermine (1 Larval "on bramble"), muslin moth (1 Larval "on nettle"), flame shoulder (1 Larval "on dandelion"). "Above found during work in the flower border."



Buff Ermine larva



Flame Shoulder larva



Muslin Moth larva

peter gardner reports from froxfield roads south (SU712257) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (6), Brimstone (1), Small White (3), Comma (3), Peacock (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "very good walk we hope this is not the end of this Indian summer, forecast is for rain we hope they are wrong".



Peacock



Comma



Brimstone

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "0945".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west),Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1030-1055".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "males taking dandelion nectar & flying east"), Small White (10), Comma (1 "taking buddleia nectar"), Speckled Wood (1). "1110-1205".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "3rd brood"), Speckled Wood (5), Small Heath (1). "1220-1320 & 1505-1545".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Comma (2 "imbibing blackberry juice"), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (2 "females"). "1320-1345".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "males"), Small White (5), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood"), Common Blue (2 "3rd brood males"), Speckled Wood (1), Small Heath (1). "1330-1400 & 1425-1500".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west),Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "female"). "1400-1425".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1). "in my garden".

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Comma (1), Small White (1).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Comma (5), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (9).

## Tuesday 24th September

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU707262) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (1). "that period of very warm sun really brought them out".



Small Tortoiseshell



Red Admiral



Peacock

Mark Tutton reports from Eastney Common Ground (SZ679991) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (2), Large White (2), Red Admiral (1 "Determinedly heading south "), Small Heath (2), Small White (9).

nick lawrence reports from noar hill (SU742319) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5), Small White (4), Small Heath (4), Meadow Brown (1).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Speckled Wood (17), Female g/r, southern hawker, dar (0). "Not sure why so few s/woods as was sunny and very pleasantly warm".

peter gardner reports from froxfield hedegrow (SU723267) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (11), Small White (3), Brimstone (4), Comma (1), Red Admiral (1). "with this period of very warm weather we find it very hard to stay inside ,so the best thing to do is to do is look for butterflies [great]".



Speckled Wood



Comma



Brimstone

AJ Levett-Prinsep reports from Chichester (SU868046) where the following observations were made: Swallowtail (1 Pupal "Is currently feeding on Fennel in garden"), Swallowtail (1 "Adult in our garden August 2013"). "Is there anything we can do to ensure caterpillar survives? Thank you.".



Swallowtail larva

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1), Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (2), Small Copper (2), Small White (5), Large White (1), Brimstone (2 "female"), small angle shades (1 Larval "on purple hazel"). "Above found in the garden.".



Brimstone



Small Copper



Small Angle Shades larva

David Walton reports from Foxlease Meadows North (SU834569) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (48 "Nectaring on Devil's-Bit Scabious"), Clouded Yellow (1 "Passing by under attack by Small Coppers"). "Doing the final transect of the year in warm sunny conditions on this new site and came across large numbers of Small Coppers. returned after completing the transect and found 48 within an area about 30m diameter. There are many other areas of Devil's-Bit Scabious on the site but none of the others had Small Coppers.".



Small Copper

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Knot Grass BF2289 (1 Larval "photographed feeding on leaves of Japanese Honeysuckle in sunshine in my garden").

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5). "1515-1605".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Small White (5), Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1605-1625".

Roy Symonds reports from Noar Hill (SU745318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Small White (7), Small Heath (2), Meadow Brown (2), Speckled Wood (6), Common Blue (1), Comma (1). "Temperature 17 degrees. Meadow Browns now looking worn.".

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male"), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (1), Meadow Brown (1), Common Blue (4). "Temperature 20 degrees. Very little flying now with only 1 Meadow Brown seen.".

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Meadow Brown (1).

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657057) where the following observations were made: Small White (3).

Robert Guest reports from Near Dogmersfield (SU783535) where the following observations were made: Comma (7 "All on one clump of brambles").

Andy Welch reports from Hawthorns, Southampton Common (SU417139) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "Male seen on Heath with Holly blue").



Long-tailed Blue

Steve Mansfield reports from Alton Borover Farm (SU7138) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

Matthew Shaft reports from Butser Hill (SU7121) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (2).

Matthew Shaft reports from Butser Hill (SU7120) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (3), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Meadow Brown (4), Small Heath (3).

## Monday 23rd September

Gary palmer reports from bars ave new milton (SZ246956) where the following observations were made: common emerald moth (1 Larval "on peach bush"), grey dagger (1 Larval "on peach bush"). "Working on a garden hedge i looked over a trained peach fan and found the above."



Common Emerald larva



Grey Dagger larva

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (34). "Probably just a bit early for the best count as it came out really sunny later".

Ian Pratt reports from Brading Down (SZ601866) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1 "Very tatty"), Common Blue (1), Small Copper (1 "Very fresh").

nick lawrence reports from noar hill (SU742319) where the following observations were made: Small White (5), Common Blue (2 "1 male 1 female"), Brimstone (2 "males"), Speckled Wood (2).

David Tinling reports from Clayhall Paddock, Gosport (SZ609986) where the following observations were made: Small White (5). "1420".

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(south), Alverstoke, Gosport (SZSZ605984) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "male"), Small White (3), Speckled Wood (2). "1425-1435".

David Tinling reports from Alverstoke Crescent Garden, Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Comma (1 "taking nectar from Michaelmas Daisy"), Speckled Wood (3). "1435".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male flying east"), Small White (19), Green-veined White (1 "3rd brood female taking Buddleia nectar"). "1445-1520".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(east), Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Small White (2). "1520-1545".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west), Gosport (SZ574984) where the following observations were made: Small White (15), Common Blue (1 "very old 2nd brood male taking mayweed nectar"), Holly Blue (1 "old 2nd brood male taking ling nectar"), Small Heath (1 "tiny 3rd brood, taking ling nectar"). "1545-1620".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (3), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

## Sunday 22nd September

Sue Davies reports from Kingston Boatyard E.Cowes (SZ503944) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Peacock (2), Small White (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "all nectaring on Buddleia seedlings".

Mike Gregory reports from NOAHS LAKE/ ALVER VALLY (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Large White (14), Meadow Brown (2), Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (2).

Ian Pratt reports from Afton chalkpit (SZ361856) where the following observations were made: Chalkhill Blue (1). "Good condition specimen."



Chalkhill Blue

Ian Pratt reports from Walters Copse (SZ431904) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2). "Only butterflies seen."

Mark tutton reports from Havant thicket (SU715111) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (9), Small White (1).

Mark tutton reports from Creech wood (SU635114) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (32).

Gary palmer reports from Ringwood road walkford (SZ208950) where the following observations were made: Poplar hawk (1 Larval "on aspen"), The engrailed (1 Larval "On hazel"), Grey dagger (2 Larval "on bramble and oak"), Buff tip (6 Larval "on oak"), peppered moth (2 Larval "on willow sapling"). "Pulled over at the side of the road and had a look at the aspen saplings running along the hedge and then just a general search of other scrub and found the above."





Buff-tip larva

Poplar Hawkmoth larva

Engrailed larva

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (3).

## Saturday 21st September

Mark tutton reports from Alice holt (SU803400) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3), Silver-washed Fritillary (10 Egg), Small White (2).

Mark tutton reports from Noar hill (SU741319) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (10 Egg), Speckled Wood (2). "Sad to say the rest of the north lane has now been flailed too. Managed to find a number of BH eggs in the debris which I have placed on live blackthorn in the reserve but many eggs will have been lost."

Gary palmer reports from efford tip (SZ310931) where the following observations were made: pebble hooktip (1 Larval "on alder"). "At the recycling tip in a hedge i found the above."



Pebble Hook-tip larva

Gary palmer reports from barton common (SZ250932) where the following observations were made: clouded border (2 Larval "on aspen sapling"), white wave (1 Larval "on willow sapling"), common white wave (2 Larval "2 on willow sapling"), scalloped hooktip (1 Larval "on birch sapling"), knot grass (4 Larval "on willow and aspen"), Peppered moth (1 Larval "on birch sapling"). "A little look over barton common for larva on the way to the recycling tip found the above."



Clouded Border larva

Common Wave larva

Knot Grass larva

## Friday 20th September

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750984) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Green-veined White (4), Holly Blue (2), Red Admiral (3), Small Copper (2), Small White (21). "Also had good views of pied flycatcher which was nice."

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "f"), Comma (3 "All ray fresh"), Common Blue (1 "f, very worn."), Meadow Brown (4), Small Heath (9), Small White (10), Speckled Wood (14). "Today at lunchtime, when the sun was shining and the temperature rising, I couldn't resist a trip to Noar Hill which has been such a rewarding site this summer. It did not disappoint today and I was able to record 7 species."

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (110), Comma (17), Green-veined White (5), Pine Hawk-moth (1 Larval "Found walking on ground near some pine trees, off to pupate no doubt."). "On the transect today, the 110 speckled wood was the highest number recorded at this site this year. All the commas were on ripe blackberries."

Paul Harfield reports from Stephens Castle Down (SU561202) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (2 "1 male & 1 female which was actively egg laying"), Peacock (2), Large White (1), Small White (3). "seen between 2pm and 3pm in Sunny and warm conditions."

Andy Bolton reports from Ashford Hill Woods & Meadows (SU564616) where the following observations were made: Small White (5), Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (40 "A strong 3rd brood very active today, many were seen with the Commas taking Blackberry juice."), Meadow Brown (1 "female"), Comma (2).

Andy Bolton reports from Axmansford, nr. Tadley (SU565607) where the following observations were made: Comma (3 "On buddleia"), Small Copper (1 "perched on mahonia late pm."), Speckled Wood (1), Small White (3). "Seen in the garden today."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (15), 1 hawker (0).

peter gardner reports from abbotstone down (SU569361) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (27), Brimstone (4), Large White (1), Comma (6), Brown Argus (3), Small Copper (1), Clouded Yellow (1). "stayed warm and sunny mostly clear. Saw one clouded yellow".



Comma

Clouded Yellow

Brown Argus

Roy Johnson reports from Wildgrounds(car park),Gosport (SU584011) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1440".

David Tinling reports from Haslar(south-west),Gosport (SZ614981) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Small White (15), Comma (1), Silver Y Moth (2 "disturbed in sunshine"). "0905-0930;please note that this site between the Immigration Removal Centre and the Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course is at Haslar NOT Gilkicker as a visitor has mistakenly reported."

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Small White (13), Holly Blue (1 "old female taking bramble nectar"), Comma (1 "imbibing blackberry juice"). "0930-0945".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "males,one taking red clover nectar"), Small White (55 "taking nectar from sea radish & buddleia"), Meadow Brown (1 "male"). "0950-1035".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west),Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male taking knapweed nectar"), Small White (28 "taking nectar from cat's-ear & thrift"), Small Copper (4 "1 fresh 3rd brood,3 2nd brood"), Common Blue (3 "males,1 3rd brood & 2 2nd brood,taking nectar from thrift & pale blue toadflax"), Speckled Wood (1), Small Heath (1). "1035-1120".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west),Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Small White (32 "taking nectar from cat's-ear & hoary ragwort"), Small Copper (1 "very fresh 3rd brood"), Common Blue (2 "very old 2nd brood males"). "1110-1200".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay Road(east),Gosport (SZ601985) where the following observations were made: Small White (3 "taking cat's-ear nectar"). "1200".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Large White (1 "male"), Small White (45). "1205-1240".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Small White (5 "males"). "1225-1230".

David Tinling reports from Kingfisher Path,Gosport (SZ586994) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Speckled Wood (1). "1240-1250".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "very fresh female"), Small White (5 "taking nectar from cat's-ear & hoary ragwort"), Small Copper (1 "very fresh 3rd brood"), Common Blue (1 "very old 2nd brood male taking nectar from hoary ragwort"), Comma (1), Meadow Brown (1 "male taking nectar from hoary ragwort"), Small Heath (5 "one taking ling nectar"), Speckled Wood (12), Rush Veneer (10 "disturbed in sunshine"). "1250-1535".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Small Copper (2 "3rd brood"), Comma (3 "very fresh,imbibing blackberry juice"), Meadow Brown (1 "male"), Speckled Wood (1). "1545-1600".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Small White (3). "1540-1620".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west),Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "very fresh 3rd brood female"), Meadow Brown (3 "females"). "1625-1650".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-east),Gosport (SU581001) where the following observations were made: Small White (3 "taking hoary ragwort nectar"), Small Heath (1). "1650-1655;on a warm autumn day's walk along & near the Gosport coast,in weak sunshine & a very light breeze,I recorded 271 butterflies of 11 species:Clouded Yellow 6,Brimstone 1,Large White 1,Small White 214(probably mostly immigrants from the continent),Small Copper 7,Common Blue 7,Holly Blue 1,Comma 6,Speckled Wood 16,Meadow Brown 6 & Small Heath 6."

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Small White (12), Clouded Yellow (1), Speckled Wood (1). "Temperature was 17 degrees. Still a single Clouded Yellow flying."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Large White (1). "Temperature 17 degrees."

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (3), Comma (7 "one caught by a spider"), Speckled Wood (20 "including a mating pair"), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (1). "1200-1300".

## Thursday 19th September

Gary palmer reports from barton common (SZ250932) where the following observations were made: birch mocha (1 Larval). "A very short look at some birch on barton common cut short by the wind and rain found the above."



Birch Mocha larva



Birch Mocha larva

## Wednesday 18th September

Gary palmer reports from hale ave new milton (SZ247947) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (3 Larval). "a check over the ivy flower were i recorded holly blue eggs previously found the above."



Holly Blue larva

Gary palmer reports from newland manor milford on sea (SZ287933) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (1), Red underwing moth (1 "flying low around the eaves of the house"), Dot moth (1 Larval "on sun flower"), Small Square Spot (1 Larval "on mullain"), Grey dagger (1 Larval "on apple"), Brimstone moth (2 Larval "on wild cherry"). "After finding holly blue larva this morning in new milton, i didn't expect to see much this afternoon but the garden in the newlands manor estate usually always has something of interest and so it was today with the above found during work."



Dot Moth larva



Brimstone Moth larva



Small Square-spot larva

## Tuesday 17th September

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Buff Ermine (1 Larval "found on lawn"), Early thorn (2 Larval "on purple hazel"), peppered moth (3 Larval "2 on damson 1 on purple hazel"), Common white wave (7 Larval "on hazel"), Common plume moth (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small White (1). "A look around the garden mid morning mainly on the hazels found the above."



Early Thorn larva



Early Thorn larva

## Monday 16th September

peter gardner reports from abbotstone tracks (SU560342) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (34), Comma (6), Holly Blue (3), Green-veined White (1), Small White (0). "speck wood day, on patrol every where, very glad to see the comma[haven't seen many this year]suppressed to see that the holly blue are still flying".



Speckled Wood



Holly Blue



Comma

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden (SU721267) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Green-veined White (1), Small White (3). "nearly trod on the elephant [pat just stopped me putting my foot down]not the first time.the buddleia still feeding them a rather old painted lady but still flying".



Small Tortoiseshell



Painted Lady



Elephant Hawkmoth larva

CCarol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Small White (1), Speckled Wood (24).

## Sunday 15th September

Mark tutton reports from Noar Hill (SU741319) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (42 Egg). "Had a great count of Brown Hairstreak eggs from all over the site plus five old egg shells from this years hatch. A good number 10+ were outside the reserve itself along the lane to the north of the site but it was disappointing to see the hedgerow severely flailed on both sides up to the reserve which must have destroyed numbers of eggs. It will be good to return in the winter, after the leaves have dropped, which will make it easier to count the eggs."

Gary palmer reports from hollands wood drive new milton (SZ250966) where the following observations were made: peppered moth (3 Larval "on hazel, hawthorn and cherry"), Common white wave (2 Larval "on hazel"). "Pulled in on the side of the road on the way home from blackberry picking and had a look at the verge side trees, peppered moth on three tree species, with the largest larva ive seen todote on the cherry and wonderfully camouflaged, they never seem to fail to amaze me as to diversity of their body colouration to blend with what they are using as food plant."



Peppered Moth larva



Peppered Moth larva



Peppered Moth larva

## Saturday 14th September

Gary palmer reports from barton common (SZ252934) where the following observations were made: swallow kitten (2 Larval "on swallow"), pebble hooktip (2 Larval "on birch sapling"), Scalloped hook tip (1 Larval "on birch sapling"), buff tip moth (6 Larval "on both birch and swallow"). "A little inspection late morning of some scrub on the common found the above, of note lots of spiked shield bug around."



Swallow Kitten larva



Buff-tip larva



Spiked Shieldbug

Gary palmer reports from brockhills meadow (SZ251964) where the following observations were made: grey pug (1 Larval "on swallow"), peppered moth (2 Larval "one on hazel, one on swallow "). "A walk around a small meadow near my home found the above."



Grey Pug larva

## Friday 13th September

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296983) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Small Heath (1), Meadow Brown (3), Small Copper (1), Common Blue (2), Small White (16), Large White (2), Green-veined White (1). "A count around the garden mid morning whilst the sun briefly warmed the temps up found the above, of note at the moment and all week, the annual hatch of baby grass snakes are erupting from the compost heap bays."



Meadow Brown



Grass Snake

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU724267) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Green-veined White (1), Small White (2). "and as thy say that's your lot folks".



Hummingbird Hawkmoth



Painted Lady



Small Tortoiseshell

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Large White (1), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (21).

## Thursday 12th September

peter gardner reports from broxhead common (SU802368) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2), Small Copper (5). "just a small amount of sun but just enough to bring out the small coppers and made it worth while".



Small Copper



Small Copper



Meadow Brown

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Looked ok but flying weakly for a c/yellow"), Comma (2), Small White (4), Speckled Wood (0). "Speckled woods still the star of the show".

Carol Munday reports from J10 M27 (Su575078) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "On a small buddleia as I queued on the eastbound off-slip").

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small White (8), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1). "in my garden".

## Wednesday 11th September

Gary Richardson reports from Private garden in Over Wallop (SU280384) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (1 "Second time in 4 years, got a picture this time").





Brown Hairstreak

peter gardner reports from froxfield gardenhigh cross (SU719267) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Green-veined White (1), Large White (1), Small White (3). "the sun only peeped out for a very short time but that was just enough to warm a few for lunch, mind you we had to keep an eye open encase we missed the great occasion,".



Small Tortoiseshell



Small Copper



Green-veined White

Sue Lambert reports from Titchfield Haven (SU531024) where the following observations were made: Small White (3), Green-veined White (1), Speckled Wood (2), Vapourer moth (1 Larval), Magpie moth (1). "There were not many butterflies at Titchfield Haven, someone reported a Clouded Yellow. The Vapourer larva was an interesting sighting.".



Vapourer larva



Magpie

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (17 "Nothing else today").

## Tuesday 10th September

Hazel Pratt reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (8 "m. 5 on south facing slope beyond the fort and 3 at the bottom of the car park slope."), Chalkhill Blue (11 "3 m, 8 f."), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (10), Large White (2), Meadow Brown (18), Small Tortoiseshell (2 "Both in immaculate condition ."), Small White (58 "Widespread throughout the site."), Small Heath (28), Speckled Wood (18 "Most in pristine condition."). "Sadly no silver spotted skippers seen today.".

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Large White (8), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Heath (2), Meadow Brown (3).

peter gardner reports from thorney island (SU714056) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (2), Small White (7), Painted Lady (1), Small Copper (1). "some cloud ,some sun chilly but bearable, pleased with what we saw".



Small Copper



Painted Lady



Common Blue

Roy Symonds reports from Chalton Down (SU736156) where the following observations were made: Small White (18), Large White (3), Common Blue (12), Meadow Brown (7), Small Heath (3). "A walk around the site where the temperature was 16 degees, a change from just last week! Due to the temperature and as the season is nearing its end numbers were low.".

T Marsh reports from Kern close (SO169RD) where the following observations were made: Brimstone moth (0 "Attracted by light ").

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small White (2), Speckled Wood (31).

Sam Mackenzie reports from Oakmount Ave, Southampton (SU420144) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (1).

Anne McCue reports from Farlington Marshes (SU685045) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small White (13), Meadow Brown (2), Small Heath (9). "1100-1200".

## Monday 9th September

Andrew Brookes asks if anyone can identify this parasitic fly. It is about 8mm long and has killed about 70% of the Comma larvae feeding on his potted elms last month.



## Unknown parasitic fly

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "All seen together, looked like 2 males courting a female"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Female"), Small White (7), Speckled Wood (42), Common darter 6, migrant hawk (0). "About 2pm. Managed to pick a time when the sun broke through for a few minutes. Thought I'd already seen the last of the s/w. She was mostly on the buddleia, basking in the sun. Still gliding, but wings rather tattered at the edges. Two pairs of common darters were egg-laying into a large puddle in the t-junction off the main track - wished I could have got them to a pond."

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery (east), Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Large White (1), Small White (2), Common Blue (1 "male"), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2), Speckled Wood (3), Meadow Brown (1). "1430".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Large White (2), Small White (2), Meadow Brown (1). "in my garden".

## Sunday 8th September

Gary palmer reports from long meadow barton on sea (SZ242930) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 Larval "feeding on elm"), Small White (1 Larval "on crucifer sp"), current pug (1 Larval "on hop"). "Inbetween some hard downpours, mid afternoon found the above until rain did stop play."



Comma larva



Current Pug larva



Small White larva

Robin Harley reports from Steamer Point LNR (SZ196928) where the following observations were made: Buff tip (4 Larval "on quercus robur").



Buff-tip larvae

Carol Munday reports from Fareham garden (Su577073) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1), Small White (2). "Visiting relatives, lovely to see a small copper in a suburban garden".

Dave Ryves reports from Hillier's Arboretum (SU375236) where the following observations were made: Hummingbird Hawkmoth (1 "near main house"). "my second of the week this time nectaring on flowers near the main house at the Arboretum".

## Saturday 7th September

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ749985) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Common Blue (3), Small Copper (1), Small White (15).

Paul Harfield reports from Stephens Castle Down (SU5620) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (2 "One Roosting"), Common Blue (2 "Both Roosting"), Small White (2). "Seen between 4 and 5pm in cool, breezy, cloudy conditions with occasional sun."

Robin Harley reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU501293) where the following observations were made: Gatekeeper (1), Small Heath (1), Meadow Brown (1), Common Blue (2), Brown Argus (1), Satyr pug (1 Larval "confirmation welcome"), shaded pug (1 Larval "confirmation welcome"), spiked shieldbug (1), hawthorn shieldbug (4 Larval).

Satyr Pug larva (upper)  
Shaded Pug larva (lower)

Spiked Shieldbug



Hawthorn Shieldbug larvae

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Farm (SU6937) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (5).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (NE) (SU6837) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (9).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (N) (SU6737) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (W) (SU6736) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (17), Green-veined White (1), Comma (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (SE) (SU6836) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (12), Large White (1), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Chawton Park Wood (E) (SU6937) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (22).

## Friday 6th September

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296984) where the following observations were made: bright-line brown-eye (1 Larval). "Whilst cutting back dead stems on some cephalaria gigantea i found the above feeding on its leaves."



Bright-line Brown-eye larva

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Speckled Wood (86), 1 Common darter, 1 g/r dragonfly (0). "It was just getting warmer about 1pm. Only 2 species seen, with speckled woods all along the north track and the shorter one parallel with the main track, mostly basking on the ground. The sun came out on the main track and suddenly they were spinning and fighting all over the place."

r swyer reports from kingston great common pond (SU182025) where the following observations were made: large copper male (1 "good view by two of us, of upper wing flying,").

## Thursday 5th September

Ashley Whitlock reports from Beacon Hill (SU593254) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (100), Red Admiral (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (6), Speckled Wood (24), Small Heath (100), Small White (50), Large White (10), Common Blue (50), Meadow Brown (100), Brimstone (2), Chalkhill Blue (13), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Clouded Yellow (6), Peacock (1). "Probably the last day of the fabulous summer, and on Beacon Hill today the Brown Argus and Small Heath were the best counts, by far, The Brown Argus was everywhere some in really tatty condition and others looked quite pristine. The Silver-spotted Skipper was a disappointment, several males being seen in good condition which was a surprise, but the numbers are so poor now compared to a decade ago. Hopefully this summer should help species like these, where they have suffered from very cool and damp conditions, in the past few years and the grasses have grown too tall. The Clouded Yellows were still patrolling up and down the hill sides, where the downland is covered in beautiful Small Scabious plants. Probably one of my last expeditions out and about, Im really looking forward to 2014, with hopefully a good egg lay from his majesty and other species should gradually recover from poor summers only time will tell."



Brown Argus



Silver-spotted Skipper



Clouded Yellow

R Bryant reports from Northington Down (SU545367) where the following observations were made: Peacock (11 Larval " large caterpillars on tall nettles in bright sunshine").

Mark Wagstaff reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU639209) where the following observations were made: Adonis Blue (5), Clouded Yellow (6). "From the car park slope - bottom left - best seen from where the 'green' path turns sharp left to become chalk. Only 5 Adonis Blue reported as we kept rigidly to the path - probably many more further up the hill side".

nick lawrence reports from noar hill (SU743319) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (10 "7female 3 males"), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (0 "30+"), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Meadow Brown (0 "20+"), Speckled Wood (12), Brimstone (6), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "I saw two very fresh brown hairstreak females come down from the ash trees onto the damp grass only to fly back up to the canopy as I approached, the other female were out egg laying and started to look ragged."



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak

Mark tutton reports from Chalton down (SU736155) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (10), Chalkhill Blue (19), Green-veined White (7), Large White (20), Meadow Brown (19), Peacock (2), Small Copper (1), Small Heath (8), Small White (100).

Andrew Brookes reports from Hospital Lane, Portchester (SU622045) where the following observations were made: Comma (6 Larval "First instar on elm cv. 'San Zanobi'").

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (10 "8m, 2f"), Clouded Yellow (4), Large White (2), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (30), Meadow Brown (8), Peacock (1), Small Heath (12), Small White (10), Speckled Wood (4), Brown Hairstreak (4 "Each found in a different part of the site- 2 females low down in the bushes, one male feeding on Hemp Agrimony and the fourth one flying into the low branches of an ash tree.").

Paul Harfield reports from Medstead Primary School (SU658367) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small White (5), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Peacock (1). "Seen in hot and sunny conditions between 1.15 and 1.45 pm whilst working in this location. I also saw a fritillary of some sort flying through. Probably a Silver Washed Fritillary but it looked too fresh and had plenty of energy compared to most of the SWF I have seen over the last week or so. I did not get a good enough look for a positive id."

peter gardner reports from selbourne common (SU734334) where the following observations were made: Holly Blue (1), Comma (1), Large White (1), Brimstone (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Small White (1). "it was good to get out of heat of the sun and under the shade of the trees for a while. its been a long time since we have been to selbourne on our last visit I remember we found a single brown hairstreak but no sign of it this time. But it was worth the try."



## Speckled Wood

## Holly Blue

## Green-veined White

Andy Bolton reports from Axmansford, nr Tadley (SU565607) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "first in the garden this year"), Comma (3 "engrossed in the buddleia"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "a ragged but lively male on Beijing buddleia. The latest I've ever seen this species by some way.").

Andy Bolton reports from Set Aside field, Ham Lane, Baughurst (SU570603) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (7), Brown Argus (1), Speckled Wood (3).

Clive Wood reports from Shipton Bellinger (SU218456) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (8), Small White (42), Green-veined White (10), Brown Argus (2), Common Blue (47), Holly Blue (1), Comma (2), Speckled Wood (37), Meadow Brown (76), Small Heath (20). "Seen during a Brown Hairstreak species transect (results reported separately). Very warm day, c25C. Approximately half the Speckled Woods were seen flying in the canopy of ash trees."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "Males"), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (5), Large White (1), Small White (13), Speckled Wood (19), 1 migrant hawk, 1 g/r, hornet (0). "Very late-summer look, where have all the brimstones gone? Hibernation?"

Anne McCue reports from Meon Shore (SU526025) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Speckled Wood (2), Meadow Brown (1).

Matthew Shaft reports from Petersfield (SU738220) where the following observations were made: Small White (13 "Annual max in garden.").

## Wednesday 4th September

Andrew Brookes reports from Nelson Reservoir, Ports Down (SU609073) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (3), Meadow Brown (8), Small White (12).

Andrew Brookes reports from Horsea Island (SU638042) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (5), Meadow Brown (11), Small White (14).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Noar Hill (SU740320) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (25), Brimstone (15), Small White (30), Peacock (1), Large White (10), Comma (1), Brown Hairstreak (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small Heath (8), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Meadow Brown (30), Brown Argus (1), Common Blue (40), Clouded Yellow (5). "A visit to Noar Hill produced some pleasing results despite the heat, there were lots of species on offer, non more so than the Brown Hairstreak. The first was seen on a Ash tree in the 'beaten down triangle' no guessing what recorders have been trying to get pictures of here! I wandered around the chalk pits and found two males imbibing on Hemp Agrimony, probably their favourite nectar plant. I then went back towards the triangle and I noticed a butterfly struggling in a spiders web how long it had been here was anybodys guess. It was a splendid female Brown Hairstreak, I managed to release her and tried to carry her in my cupped hands to show other recorders who had visited the site to see the Hairstreak, but she managed to escape, I don't really blame her, I just hope she was alright in the end. The Silver-Washed Fritillary was all but shot to pieces the ones I saw, but the Clouded Yellows were still in evidence, especially in the farmers field in the set aside strip running north to south."



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak



Clouded Yellow

Roger Pendell reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU616214) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (4), Common Blue (53), Meadow Brown (55), Large White (20), Small White (300), Small Heath (77), Clouded Yellow (8), Chalkhill Blue (53), Silver-spotted Skipper (9), Brown Argus (2), Gatekeeper (1), Brimstone (15), Small Tortoiseshell (6), Green-veined White (1), Small Copper (1).

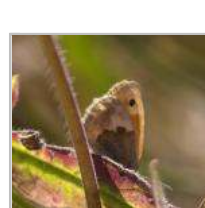
Sue Lambert reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU506291) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (20), Small White (19), Large White (2), Small Blue (3), Chalkhill Blue (13), Small Heath (3), Speckled Wood (12), Brown Argus (3), Clouded Yellow (3), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (1), Silver-Y Moth (2), 7 spot ladybird (5). "The last Wednesday Wander was blessed with glorious weather. We saw 11 species of butterfly, with the Small Blues and Clouded Yellows nice to see. Thanks to Jenny and Jane for organising and leading the walks."



Brown Argus



Chalkhill Blue



Meadow Brown

Peter Gardner reports from Beacon Hill (SU612230) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Green-veined White (1), Brimstone (2), Meadow Brown (6), Small Heath (6), Common Blue (6), Small White (6), Chalkhill Blue (1), Adonis Blue (1), Brown Argus (1), Silver-spotted Skipper (5). "we only went around the top that was good enough to see what we wanted the target species so very hot could just about stand that long".



Silver-spotted Skipper



Common Blue

Roy Symonds reports from Noar Hill (SU745318) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (7 "Males"), Small White (16), Meadow Brown (17), Speckled Wood (21), Small Heath (6), Common Blue (2), Brown Argus (1), Brown Hairstreak (2 "1 Male 1 Female"), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Peacock (1). "Returned to Noar Hill (temperature 24 degrees), after a visit last week to see the Brown Hairstreak. While there I met Tony James, the regular transect recorder and Ashley Whitlock. After a period of searching we saw a male, followed a little later by a female in the area near to the "Triangle", where I was able to get a photo. Also saw two worn Silver Washed Fritillaries and was surprised by the low numbers of Small Heaths."



Lynn Fomison reports " Had two Spotted Flycatchers in garden yesterday. Saw one catch and eat one of the many Large Whites around the buddleia I see from my windows. It pursued another but with a superb feat of flying the butterfly escaped. It just reminded me of the important link between butterflies and moths and birds and how all bird enthusiasts could help both the birds they love and butterflies and moths by encouraging the latter in their gardens. I understand that Spotted Flycatchers have been seen less in recent years and so maybe that ties in with there being less butterflies around. Lovely bird to see. Just glad they did not visit when the buddleia was being visited a few weeks ago by a Valezina and a Clouded Yellow. And thankfully the birds had gone to bed by the time I saw a Hummingbird Hawkmoth last evening, again on buddleia. The large number of butterflies still using the buddleia makes all that trimming off of dead flowers so worthwhile."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pasture (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "Males"), Clouded Yellow (1), Comma (7), Green-veined White (1), Large White (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (1), Small White (23), Speckled Wood (21), 8 common darter, 2 g/r, hornet (0). "The large buddleia past the bridge has gone over now and the fleabane seems not to be tempting many butterflies either."

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (3).

## Tuesday 3rd September

Graeme Davis/Shawn Barrett reports from Rough Land behind Ladies Walk (SU373447) where the following observations were made: Small Heath (4), Common Blue (4).

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

Gary Palmer reports from Shirley Holms (SZ296984) where the following observations were made: beautiful hooktip (1 Larval "early instar"). "A gentle examination of the lower branches of a blue cedar in the garden revealed the above."



Beautiful Hook-tip

Peter Gardner reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU667213) where the following observations were made: Small White (9), Meadow Brown (25), Small Heath (23), Common Blue (20), Large White (1), Clouded Yellow (3), Chalkhill Blue (10), Adonis Blue (4), Silver-spotted Skipper (2). "warm but high cloud, very little wind did not help us up the hill much puff pant[I think the hill is getting steeper[or is it me] the butterflies stopped at least for a short while, we only explored the first hill that was enough for this afternoon".



Silver-spotted Skipper



Adonis Blue

Dave Ryves reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU643215) where the following observations were made: Hummingbird Hawk Moth (1 "Seen briefly near car park in evening").

David Holberton-Jones reports from Keyhaven to Pennington (SZ324924) where the following observations were made: Wall (2 "Along coast path").

Hazel Pratt reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU794430) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Common Blue (4), Gatekeeper (2), Meadow Brown (2), Small White (40 "Most of these clustered in the meadow section just inside the gate as I arrived but had mainly dispersed by the time I left. Newly emerged?"), Speckled Wood (4). "1.15 - 2.15pm. Warm, no breeze and mainly cloudy."

Hazel Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (24), Clouded Yellow (3), Brimstone (3 "m"), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (18), Small Heath (18), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (12), Silver-washed Fritillary (1 "Very worn"), Speckled Wood (2). "2.45 - 3.45 pm. Mainly cloudy, warm with some sunny spells."

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5 "3 males, 2 females"), Comma (6), Clouded Yellow (2), Gatekeeper (1 "Female"), Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "Very worn, but 2 still courting"), Small White (50), Speckled Wood (30), Common darter, g/r dragonfly, ho (0).

Anne McCue reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (1 "female photographed ovipositing"), Silver-washed Fritillary (4), Brimstone (3 "1 male & 2 females"), Small White (56), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (40), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (38), Meadow Brown (18), Small Heath (32). "1140-1500; mostly thick cloud".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (4), Small White (6), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Gatekeeper (1).

## Monday 2nd September

Ashley Whitlock reports from Old Winchester Hill (Ancient Fort Slope) (SU640208) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2), Brimstone (3), Large White (100), Small White (100), Gatekeeper (2), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small Copper (2), Small Heath (100), Brown Argus (12), Meadow Brown (100), Red Admiral (1), Chalkhill Blue (100), Clouded Yellow (3), Silver-spotted Skipper (23), Common Blue (50), Adonis Blue (29). "I just had to make use of the weather as the 'Butterfly Battery' was getting a little flat! I shouldn't be walking so far and hard but time waits for no man least of all Silver-Spotted Skippers and Adonis Blues. I'm glad I went as it was a fabulous day, just sitting on the side of the hill and taking in the view. I only saw male Adonis Blues but I suspect the females are just coming out, probably they will be seen mating this week I've no doubt. The Silver-Spotted Skipper was still flying about at break neck speed, and when they did stop they presented a little teddy bear face (Patrick Barkham's words not mine)! It was just a delight to be here."

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (63), Green-veined White (21), Comma (4), Peacock (3), Large White (2), Gatekeeper (1), Brimstone (1), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Purple Hairstreak (1), drab looper (1), vapourer (1). "recorded on the transect today".

Graham Dennis reports from Silchester Common (SU619622) where the following observations were made: Grayling (1), Small Heath (1).

Carol Munday reports from Whiteley Pastures (Su535097) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (12), Clouded Yellow (3), Comma (6), Green-veined White (3), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (17), Silver-washed Fritillary (3 "Looking very worn now"), Speckled Wood (32), Southern Hawker, common darter (0). "Only had time for a dash down the track and back so only the obvious candidates made the count".

Carol Munday reports from Old Winchester Hill (Su639209) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (15), Brown Argus (7), Chalkhill Blue (1000 "Still very abundant but mostly rather worn"), Clouded Yellow (7), Comma (2), Common Blue (25), Meadow Brown (23), Silver-spotted Skipper (16), Small Copper (6), Small Heath (800), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Small White (200), White Admiral (0), Adonis Blue (5). "Quite a breeze on the car park slope so hard to count there but Chalkhills still very numerous. Small coppers spread across the site except two together on a large patch of marjoram? on the top near the road. Chalkhills and small heaths super-abundant on the sheltered lower south facing slopes where you had to be very careful not to step on any as

they carried on courting or fighting regardless of oncoming humans. Amazing! Never seen so many small heaths. Silver-spotted skippers also distributed everywhere."

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Large White (4), Small White (22), Green-veined White (1 "fresh 2nd brood female"), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Comma (2 "one old hutchinsoni, one very fresh dark late summer brood"), Meadow Brown (1 "female"). "in my garden, taking nectar from Verbena bonariensis, Erysimum "Bowles's Mauve", Buddleia "Buzz" & Field Scabious".

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (0 "feeding on Buddleia"). "no further sightings of Painted lady or Hummingbird Hawkmoth for a few days, but this lovely fresh male Brimstone was fine compensation".

Roy Symonds reports from Portsdown Hill (East) (SU657063) where the following observations were made: Small White (25), Clouded Yellow (2), Meadow Brown (5), Common Blue (8). "Hot day temperature was 23 degrees. Two Clouded Yellows were flying together."

Roy Symonds reports from Fort Widley, Portsdown Hill (SU657066) where the following observations were made: Small White (30), Common Blue (16), Speckled Wood (8), Meadow Brown (1). "Plenty of Small Whites flying."

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (6), Small White (4), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Silver Y Moth (7), Mint Moth (1), Humming Bird Hawk Moth (1 "Fed briefly on Buddlia").

## Sunday 1st September

Ashley Whitlock reports from Redlands Grove (sz) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Holly Blue (2), Large White (50), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (50), Clouded Yellow (1), Red Admiral (1). "Im just recuperating from my operation and I was looking out of the conservatory window today, and with the ever presence of the whites, Large and Small there was an odd one I thought. So I looked rather carefully and low and behold it was a Clouded Yellow, the first one Ive ever seen feeding on Buddleia and in the garden no less...what a treat. The Holly Blues are looking rather faded but the Small Tortoiseshell and Comma looked splendid. The Lavender in the front garden and next door were covered in Whites, something I probably never see again a hurry. Its been an extraordinary year, and this week brings in some more hot weather, so there could be even more surprises in store."

Phil Hooper reports from Noar Hill (SU735327) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (5), Comma (1), Brown Hairstreak (2 "1 male, 1 female"), Clouded Yellow (2), Common Blue (10), Gatekeeper (10), Meadow Brown (10), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Large White (6), Speckled Wood (4), Small White (7).

Phil Hooper reports from Bentley Station Meadow (SU788426) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (23), Comma (5), White Admiral (2), Meadow Brown (50), Ringlet (30), Marbled White (40), Red Admiral (2), Small Skipper (50 "Some may have been Essex!").

Mike Gregory reports from Noahs lake / alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (3), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (30), Small Heath (4), Large White (53), Small White (31).

Mark tutton reports from Portsdown hill (SU650065) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (2), Brown Argus (7), Chalkhill Blue (19), Clouded Yellow (5), Common Blue (21), Gatekeeper (9), Large White (21), Meadow Brown (100), Small Copper (2), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Small White (50).

Mark tutton reports from Portsdown hill (SU672062) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (17), Clouded Yellow (1), Small White (12), Meadow Brown (9).

Mark tutton reports from Fort Pubrook (SU677063) where the following observations were made: Brown Argus (4), Clouded Yellow (5), Common Blue (32), Gatekeeper (7), Large White (11), Meadow Brown (50), Small Copper (1), Small White (18).

Nick Lawrence reports from Noar Hill (SU743319) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (2 "1 female, 1 male"), Clouded Yellow (1 "ragged"), Meadow Brown (10), Common Blue (30), Silver-washed Fritillary (3), Brimstone (8), Small Tortoiseshell (4), Small Heath (15), Gatekeeper (7), Large White (4), Small White (6).



Brown Hairstreak



Brown Hairstreak

Richard Carpenter reports from Whiteley Pastures (SU5309) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Clouded Yellow (5 "Including 1 helice"), Red Admiral (1), Comma (2), Silver-washed Fritillary (2), Small Heath (1).

Gary Palmer reports from Barton Common (SZ249931) where the following observations were made: Pebble hooktip (1 Larval), scalloped hooktip (5 Larval), vapourer moth (1 Larval). "A short re-visit of the some birch saplings on the common in better conditions with warm sun and less wind found the above, of note nearly all were found basking on their moulting leaves on silk pads on the south facing sides of the saplings, the scalloped hooktips in various sizes and colours forms from red through to ochre's and yellow."



Pebble Hook-tip



Scalloped Hook-tip



Vapourer larva

Paul Harfield reports from Noar Hill (SU7431) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (10), Red Admiral (1), Meadow Brown (4), Common Blue (7 "5 roosting on one grass stem"), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Brimstone (1), Small Heath (1), Small White (4). "Seen between 10am and 12.15 in hazy sunshine. Every butterfly seen fluttering in the treetops today turned out to be a Speckled Wood."

Stuart Read reports from Bonchurch Down (SZ5678) where the following observations were made: "Hundreds of Adonis blues on Bonchurch Down this afternoon. Also good numbers of Common Blues and a few quite worn Chalkhills."

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park nursery (SU367388) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Large White (10), Meadow Brown (3), Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (3), Small Tortoiseshell (11), Small White (30).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4329) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (9).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4229) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (26).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4129) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (42).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4230) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (12).

peter gardner reports from noarhill (SU741325) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (11), Speckled Wood (4), Large White (2), Comma (1), Small White (3), Meadow Brown (8), Brimstone (1), Brown Hairstreak (1), Small Heath (4). "complete cloud cover chilly but we we found a man who found one so we tagged on to him low and behold there it was right in the usual place ,a male but who cares, thanks sir".



Comma



Brown Hairstreak



Brimstone

Mike Gregory reports from noahs lake/alver vally (SU5700) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Common Blue (3), Gatekeeper (1), Meadow Brown (30), Small Heath (4), Large White (53), Small White (31).

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (3), Large White (2), Small White (3).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Humming-bird Hawk-moth (1 "photographed taking nectar from Buddleia "Buzz" in my garden"). "1710".

Roy Symonds reports from Noar Hill (SU745318) where the following observations were made: Small White (20), Green-veined White (2), Common Blue (26), Meadow Brown (26), Speckled Wood (14), Small Heath (9), Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Comma (1). "Temperature was 19 degrees with hazy sunshine. Looked out for the Brown Hairstreak but could not find any. A single Silver Washed Fritillary was still hanging on."

Graeme Davis/Shawn Barrett reports from Harewood Forest (SU406454) where the following observations were made: Purple Hairstreak (9 "One found down low"), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Speckled Wood (16), Small White (10), Green-veined White (1), Common Blue (2).



Purple Hairstreak

Graeme Davis/Shawn Barrett reports from Deadman's Plack Copse, Harewood Forest (SU400451) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (25), Peacock (1).

Graeme Davis/Shawn Barrett reports from Cowdown Copse, Harewood Forest (SU387435) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Speckled Wood (29).

Graeme Davis/Shawn Barrett reports from Cole's Copse, Harewood Forest (SU398437) where the following observations were made: Silver-washed Fritillary (1), Common Blue (4).

Andy Bolton reports from Frith Farm, Wheathold (SU549600) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (18), Small White (1), Green-veined White (3), Small Copper (2), Brown Argus (1), Common Blue (2), Meadow Brown (1).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (S) (SU7831) where the following observations were made: Grayling (1), Small Tortoiseshell (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (N) (SU7832) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Gatekeeper (4), Small Tortoiseshell (8 "On Buddleia - Pond Cottage"), Speckled Wood (1 "On Buddleia - Pond Cottage"), Grayling (1 "On Buddleia - Pond Cottage"), Red Admiral (1 "On Buddleia - Pond Cottage"), Fox Moth (1 Larval).

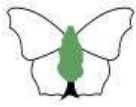
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## Wednesday 30th October

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633635) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Feeding on fallen apples".

John Stacey reports from Morgaston Wood (SU6256) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Peacock (1). "Walked around the edge of the wood. Came across a clouded yellow at 2pm, spotted a peacock a few minutes later".



Clouded Yellow

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield (SU744235) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "0900".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "0920".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1010".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west),Gosport (SZ572993) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male patrolling"), Common Darter (2). "1200".

Terrence Hotten reports from Cove (SU860560) where the following observations were made: . "Plume moth found deceased at home, that I tentatively identify as Common Plume, *Emmelina monodactyla*. FL 11mm. Confirmation or correction of identification would be appreciated."



*Emmelina monodactyla*

Norma Goddard reports from Milford on Sea (SZ307914) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Seen in garden SO41 0PZ on chrysanthemum "). (Photo didn't arrive - webmaster)

Anne McCue reports from Howe Road,Gosport (SZ584005) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Anne McCue reports from Browndown North,Gosport (SZ582999) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

## Tuesday 29th October

tony blakeley reports from sway allotments (sz287986) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "A very faded.somewhat tattered specimen on ivy in sunshine,").

Mark G Painter reports from Southampton Common (SU413150) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (1).

Mark G Painter reports from Southampton Common, Highfield (SU421150) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2).

Mark G Painter reports from Highfield (SU419140) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Mark G Painter reports from Portswood High Street (SU427141) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Cemetery, St James' Lane (SU474292) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

Chris Cobb reports from Fareham Garden (SU573069) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Enjoying the Ivy hedge").

Mike Wildish reports from Old Burghclere (SU472572) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "2 in the reserve, 1 outside."). "With Mervyn Grist."

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU724267) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1), Red Admiral (2). "the sun must have warmed up this spot to bring out this small tortoiseshell [great to see it]".



Small Tortoiseshell



Red Admiral

David Tinling reports from Wildgrounds(outer east),Gosport (SU583009) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "basking or taking ivy nectar"). "0920-0940".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Common Darter (2). "0945".



David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (7 "basking or taking ivy nectar; 2 males in aerial combat"), Comma (1), Common Darter (2). "0955-1020 & 1220-1240".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west), Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "male & helice female taking nectar from prickly sow-thistle"). "1100-1120".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west), Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male taking nectar from prickly sow-thistle"), Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male taking ragwort nectar"), Speckled Wood (2). "1120-1150".

David Tinling reports from Solent Way, Gosport (SZ596990) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1325".

David Tinling reports from The Avenue, Gosport (SZ600991) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking"). "1330".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east), Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (4 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (1). "1355-1430; on a windy but sunny day's walk along & near the Gosport coast I saw Clouded Yellow 3, Red Admiral 19, Common Blue 1, Comma 2, Speckled Wood 3, Total 28; also Common Darter 7".

Andy Wyers reports from Little Hermitage (SZ499787) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "Seen after the high winds in the garden here.").

Anne McCue reports from Gilkicker Road, Gosport (SZ611984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Monday 28th October

peter gardner reports from froxfield gardenhigh cross (SU724267) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "a survivor ,after the storms of last night, still a bit blowy and a lot of cloud, but a survivor".



Red Admiral

Mark G Painter reports from Southampton Common (SU415137) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Mark G Painter reports from Southampton Common (SU417137) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

## Sunday 27th October

Graeme Davis reports from Charlton Place (SU362459) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1).

R Bryant reports from Itchen Wood (SU528355) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "basking in sunshine on wet log beside path").

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east), Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "basking or taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (1 "basking"). "1050-1120; sheltering from a gale".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park, Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "basking & flying"), Common Darter (1 "basking & flying"). "1155-1225; sheltering from a gale".

Robert Guest reports from Yateley (SU821602) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1).

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield Heath (SU754229) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "nectaring on Devilsbit Scabious").

John Moon reports from Gollard Copse (SU292424) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male").

John Moon reports from Norfolk House, Abbots Ann (SU329438) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "On apple tree").

Steve Mansfield reports from Monk Wood, East Worldham (SU743393) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2), Comma (1). "On ivy in sheltered spot.".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End footpath (SU505142) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "Seen flying in sunny/windy conditions at about 11am".

## Saturday 26th October

A.C.Smallbone reports from Four Marks Rly. Station (SU668353) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Friday 25th October

Andy Bolton reports from Axmansford, nr. Tadley (SU565607) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Flying over in the late morning sunshine - the 25th garden butterfly species for me this year."), Red Admiral (1 "briefly seen on rotting apples.").

## Thursday 24th October

Graham Dennis reports from Ron Ward's Meadow (SU601607) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Red Admiral (1). "Nice clouded yellow nectaring on knapweed in the sunshine this afternoon".

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU620613) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (2 Pupal). "Small tortoiseshell pupae seem to be common at the moment, it will be interesting to see if they hatch soon and hibernate or will they over winter as a pupal".

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Old Winchester Hill (SU6420) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (2), Small Heath (2).

Sue Lambert reports from Blashford lakes (SU153079) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2). "While in Ivy North hide at Blashford Lakes today two Red Admirals came to bask in the sun on the hide windows.".



## Red Admiral

Kathy Brickwood reports from Old Railway Line(south),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ605984) where the following observations were made: Peacock (2). "1430".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1020".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east),Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed by day"). "1100".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west),Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "taking ivy nectar"). "1120".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west),Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "2 males & 1 helice female"), Speckled Wood (1 "very old"). "1235-1250".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male taking cat's-ear nectar"), Speckled Wood (1). "1400-1410".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "small ,extremely old & worn;must have emerged in summer 2012"), Speckled Wood (3), Red Admiral (1). "1330-1400

John Goodspeed reports from North Hayling (SU725028) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (1), Peacock (0).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "in my garden").

## Wednesday 23rd October

Anne McCue reports from Old Railway Line(south),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ605984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (1). "1435".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking or taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (3), Common Darter (4). "1425-1435".

John Goodspeed reports from Portsdown Cmp 9 (SU659062) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "enjoying the sun while we worked").

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU724266) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Red Admiral (2). "a beautiful day for the café to open".



Comma



Red Admiral

Margaret Carr reports from Hanging Garden Wildmoor (676565) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1).

## Tuesday 22nd October

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1430".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (7 "basking or taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (1). "1455-1530".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking"). "1530-1545".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "basking on nettles;very fresh 2nd brood or emerged from hibernation in warm spring-like sunshine "), Speckled Wood (1). "1600-1615".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west),Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"). "1635;in warm afternoon sunshine before evening thunderstorms".

Anne McCue reports from Crescent Road(east),Gosport (SZ605983) where the following observations were made: Small White (1).

John Webb reports from Monckton Road,Gosport (SZ609985) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2 "in my garden").

## Monday 21st October

David Tinling reports from Haslar(north-west),Gosport (SZ613986) where the following observations were made: Epiphyas postvittana BF998 (1 "male Light Brown Apple Moth distubed in daylight in my garden "). "1130".

Sue Davies reports from Mill copse yarmouth (SZ357888) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (1).

## Saturday 19th October

Mark G Painter reports from Mayfield Park, Southampton (SU442103) where the following observations were made: Vapourer Moth (1).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750985) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (0).

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ749984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2), Small White (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Badger Farm (SU4727) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Badger Farm (SU4627) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2).

## Friday 18th October

Mike Mackrill reports from Carisbrooke Castle (SZ486876) where the following observations were made: . "Fox Moth , Macrothylacia Rubis, larva found at above location close to the moat". (Image did not arrive - webmaster)

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End footpath (SU507141) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2). "Seen in cloudy, breezy conditions with a little sunshine between 1.30 and 2.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU499147) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2). "Seen in cloudy, breezy conditions with a little sunshine between 1.30 and 2.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU504143) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1). "Seen in cloudy, breezy conditions with a little sunshine between 1.30 and 2.30".

## Thursday 17th October

A.C.Smallbone reports from Buriton (SU738204) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Large White (1), Small White (2), Red Admiral (1).

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield Heath (SU754229) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Small Copper (5).

Peter Hunt & Andy Butler reports from Wheelers Bay, Isle of Wight (SZ569775) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "a male and pristine."), Clouded Yellow (5), Red Admiral (1). "This Long-tailed Blue was a different individual to the one spotted at the very same location on the 15th October. Both photographed and confirmed as different males. Abundant Everlasting Pea in close proximity to the site."

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU713265) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Red Admiral (5), Peacock (1). "the café was open nearly all day today just as the red admirals love it".



Red Admiral



Peacock



Comma

David Tinling reports from Wildgrounds(east), Gosport (SU581006) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (4), Migrant Hawker (1), Common Darter (7). "1000-1155".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath, Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male"), Small Copper (1 "very fresh 3rd brood ab. caeruleopunctata taking ragwort nectar"), Common Darter (1). "1155-1210".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "3rd brood male"), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (2), Common Darter (3). "1200-1225".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (4). "1230-1250".

David Tinling reports from West of River Alver(west), Gosport (SU581003) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (7). "1255-1325".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west), Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Silver Y Moth (2 "disturbed in sunshine"), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in sunshine"), Common Darter (1). "1330-1400".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west), Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male"), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in sunshine"). "1400-1420".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North(south-west), Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "3rd brood taking Cat's-ear nectar"), Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male taking Cat's-ear nectar"). "1420-1430".

David Tinling reports from Browdown Field, Gosport (SZ573996) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "males taking nectar from Michaelmas Daisy & Cat's-ear"). "1430-1445".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Small White (2 "very fresh 3rd brood males"), Small Copper (1 "very fresh 3rd brood"). "1445-1530".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Red Admiral (2 "taking ivy nectar"). "1545-1630; on a windy & sunny day's walk along and near the Gosport coast I saw Clouded Yellow 6, Small White 3, Small Copper 3, Common Blue 3, Red Admiral 8, Comma 2, Speckled Wood 11, Total 36; also Silver Y Moth 2, Rush Veneer 2, Migrant Hawker 1 & Common Darter 20".

Clive Wood reports from Alresford Golf Course (SU582311) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Peacock (1), Pale Tussock (1 Larval). "A warm, still day. The Pale Tussock was walking on the 9th green at Alresford Golf Club away from the pin and on the line of my putt. It was removed without penalty."

## Wednesday 16th October

Mike Mackrill reports from Thorness Bay (SZ459937) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Stephen Boswell reports from Beaulieu Rd Station (SU350068) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2), Red Admiral (1).

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU341158) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (13 "inc mating pair"), Small Copper (15), Common Blue (2), Comma (8). "After the heavy rain my first female clouded yellows started emerging along with 3rd brood common blues. one female was still drying her wings when a male zoomed in and mated with her. Still lots of small coppers around. All are using knapweed for fuel."

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(north), Alverstoke, Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (3). "1425-1445".

David Tinling reports from Anglesey Gardens, Gosport (SZ606993) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2 "males in aerial combat"). "1445".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east), Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (11 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (3), Common Darter (5). "1500-1540".

Margaret Carr reports from Hanging Garden Wildmoor (676565) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

## Tuesday 15th October

Gary palmer reports from shirley holms (SZ296984) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Comma (3), Small White (1), Small Copper (1). "Above seen in the garden on verbena early afternoon."



Comma



Red Admiral



Small Tortoiseshell

Mike Wildish reports from Cowdown Lane (SU375435) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Richard Carpenter reports from Brownich (SU5203) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2), Comma (1), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (2).

Mike Gregory reports from Peel Common (SU5603) where the following observations were made: Large White (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1)

Geoff Jones reports from North Browdown, Gosport (SU584001) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "I was rather surprised to see it flitting about in the sunshine. "). "Speckled Wood(5) and a Small White also seen during my afternoon walk around the area."

Peter Hunt and Andy Butler. reports from Wheelers bay, Isle of Wight. (SZ568775) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed Blue (1 "a male"), Clouded Yellow (5 "one helice"), Large White (6), Red Admiral (5), Comma (1). "The Long-tailed Blue was observed feeding on red valerian. Photo can be viewed at <http://marmari2011.blogspot.co.uk> ".

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield Heath (SU754229) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (5 "Nectaring on Ling & Devilsbit Scabious").

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Large White (5), Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (2), Gatekeeper (2), Mint Moth (2). "Another wet day".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (4 "taking ivy nectar"). "0935-0945".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker, Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Small White (2 "3rd brood male & female"), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood"), Red Admiral (1), Vestal BF1716 (1 "disturbed & photographed in sunshine"). "0950-1040".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west), Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2). "1040-1100".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west), Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Common Darter (1). "1100-1120".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "males patrolling old moat"), Small White (1 "male"), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood"), Red Admiral (7 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1). "1120-1200 & 1330-1345".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park, Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2 "males in aerial combat"), Common Darter (3). "1200-1330".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east), Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "3rd brood"). "1345-1405".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male patrolling"), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood"), Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed in sunshine"). "1405-1440".

peter gardner reports from haylingbilly line (SU638030) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Large White (1), Small White (6). "a beautiful day for a walk by the seaside , pity there wasn't many butterflies around [but it is the end of there season, must not grumble] still a great walk".



Red Admiral



Large White



Comma

Anne McCue reports from Gilkicker, Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Small White (4), Red Admiral (1). "1600".

Anne McCue reports from Solent Way, Gosport (SZ596990) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (6 "taking ivy nectar"). "1610".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Gardens, Gosport (SZ595994) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1615".

## Monday 14th October

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU357152) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (7), Small Copper (5). "Surprised to find a male clouded yellow just emerging from his chrysalis in very cool cloudy conditions."

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Comma (1). "in my garden".

Kathy Brickwood reports from Fort Gilkicker, Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (4).

## Saturday 12th October

Graeme Davis reports from 203 Pilgrims Way (SU374465) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 Pupal "Found on wall in back garden"). (Learned opinion has it that this is in fact a Small Tortoiseshell pupa)





Small Tortoiseshell pupa

John Moon on behalf of Bulford Conservation Group reports from Warren Hill, Perham Ranges (SU260482) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (2 "Presumably 3rd generation, one very fresh"), Comma (1), Small Heath (1 "Still fresh-looking").

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Way (SU465175) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "fresh"), Speckled Wood (1). "Seen in bright warm sunshine between 9.30 and 10am".

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Way (SU467182) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1). "Seen in bright warm sunshine between 9.30 and 10am".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End (SU497148) where the following observations were made: Peacock (0). "Seen in bright warm sunshine at 1pm".

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1). "the Red Admiral on the last of the year's Buddleia flowers".

peter gardner reports from abbotstone tracks (SU565343) where the following observations were made: Comma (7), Small White (4), Red Admiral (3), Speckled Wood (1), Small White (0). "a very good walk a short one but good pleased to see all the commas still about, but only one speckled wood".



Small White



Red Admiral



Comma

peter gardner reports from froxfield gardenhigh cross (SU707262) where the following observations were made: Comma (5), Red Admiral (4). "great to see the costumers back again in the warm sun".

Steve Mansfield reports from Kingsley Church Sand Pit (SU777380) where the following observations were made: Pale Tussock (1 Larval).



Pale Tussock larva

Anne McCue reports from Fort Gilkicker, Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "3rd brood"). "1405".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west), Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (4 "taking ivy nectar"). "1540-1550".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east), Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "taking ivy nectar"). "1550-1625; on a day's walk along & near the Gosport coast I saw Clouded Yellow 16, Small White 12, Small Copper(3rd brood) 4, Common Blue(3rd brood) 1, Red Admiral(taking ivy nectar) 20, Comma 6, Speckled Wood 8, Total 67; also Common Darter 6."

David Tinling reports from Alverstoke Crescent Garden, Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "very fresh"). "1035".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay, Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small White (3 "3rd brood; 2 males & 1 very fresh female taking sea radish nectar"), Red Admiral (6 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (2 "taking ivy nectar"). "1055-1145".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park, Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"). "1115".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(east), Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (1). "1145-1205".

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west), Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (6 "4 males & 2 females taking nectar from Sea Radish, Ragwort, Smooth Sow-thistle, Cat's-ear, Viper's Bugloss & Mayweed"), Small White (7 "6 males & 1 female taking Sea Radish nectar"), Small Copper (3 "3rd brood"), Common Blue (1 "3rd brood"), Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1), Common Darter (4). "1205-1315".

David Tinling reports from Browndown Field, Gosport (SZ573996) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "males"), Small White (1 "male"), Red Admiral (1). "1315-1330".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west), Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (6 "taking nectar from Prickly Sow-ear-thistle"), Common Darter (1). "1330-1425".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west), Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1). "1345-1400".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west), Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "3rd brood taking Cat's-ear nectar"), Comma (1 "imbibing blackberry juice"), Speckled Wood (1). "1420".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North, Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (3). "1430-1345".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse, Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (2 "taking ivy nectar"). "1445-1510".

John & Julie Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU3142) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (6), Meadow Brown (2).

Friday 11th October

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (2). "1000".

## Thursday 10th October

Steve Boswell reports from Lyndhurst (su2908) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "Boltons Bench area").

Mike Wildish reports from Smannell Road (SU375485) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Finkley Manor (SU385485) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1).

peter gardner reports from ovington (SU558318) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Speckled Wood (3), Small White (1). "we were very surprised to see any thing flying on such a chilly windy day".



Speckled Wood



Small White



Comma

Anne McCue reports from Solent Way,Gosport (SZ596990) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (4 "taking ivy nectar"). "1200".

David Tinling reports from Hasleworth Drive,Gosport (SZ609984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (4 "taking ivy nectar"). "1030".

## Wednesday 9th October

Mike Wildish reports from Little Park (SU335445) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Peacock (1). "There I was looking for fungi, lichens and bryophytes, and delight - these herberts turn up sunning themselves in the hedgerow - while they can!".

Margaret Carr reports from 19 Bramble Way (673526) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Tuesday 8th October

Mike Gregory reports from Lee-on-the-solent (SU5600) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Mike Wildish reports from Andover Cemetery (SU364460) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU717267) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5), Comma (3).



Comma



Red Admiral

Tim Graham reports from Ampfield Woods (SU413240) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "On the transect route but outside transect period".

Mark G Painter reports from Farlington Marsh (SU681041) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1).

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU506291) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (4), Brimstone (2), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (4), Clouded Yellow (1 "Flying south.").

mark swann reports from testwood lakes (SU346156) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (17 "all males"), Small Copper (24), Small Tortoiseshell (3), Comma (3), Red Admiral (2). "the clouded yellows started emerging on monday 7/10/13 , saw at least 17 today all using knapweed / dandelion for nectar. there was a very good lay of eggs over a long period so am expecting better numbers in the coming weeks if the weather can stay decent".

Margaret Carr reports from 19 Bramble Way (673526) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

## Monday 7th October

Steve Boswell reports from Denny Lodge (su3404) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Copper (1), Red Admiral (1).

Mark tutton reports from Fort Cumberland common ground (SZ681991) where the following observations were made: Small White (2), Common Blue (1 "Worn female giving me a bit of scare as it was fluttering around some everlasting peal").

Robert Guest reports from Yateley Common (SU836594) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Large White (1). "in my garden".

John Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU329438) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (1), Brimstone (1), Speckled Wood (1).

## Sunday 6th October

R Bryant reports from Northington Down (SU543366) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "on scabious ").

Mark G Painter reports from Chilling (SU501042) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3), Comma (1 "Flying south."), Red Admiral (1 "Flying south."), Speckled Wood (1).

Ashley Whitlock reports from Oxenbourne Down (SU710189) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (10), Meadow Brown (4), Red Admiral (2), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Peacock (2), Comma (12), Brimstone (6), Small White (10), Small Copper (7). "I thought I had finished with going out and butterflying in 2013, but in weather like today who can resist?, and Im really glad I did! I went in the morning to East Meon to see my Grandson play football and his team won 8-1 and he scored a cracking goal (hes only 8 mind) As I sat there with all the southdowns surrounding me and the odd Red Admiral and Small White buzzing about I decided to visit Oxenbourne Down as I was only about 15 minutes from the site. As I got into the site I was confronted with a Small Copper pairing and this is the first time in 30 years Ive witnessed it, after so long looking for them on the wing. The site was looking very Autumnal, but

there were (9) species on the wing, which is pretty good for October. The Commas were feasting on Brambles and Ice Plants, obviously another brood on the wing as they looked rather pristine."



Speckled Wood



Comma



Small Copper

Gary palmer reports from long meadow barton on sea (SZ243931) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Small White (2), Small Copper (1), Clouded Yellow (6). "Walking the dog around the meadow found the above".



Clouded Yellow

Mark Tutton reports from West Meon (SU640243) where the following observations were made: Small White (6), Painted Lady (2), Red Admiral (1).

Andrew Brookes reports from Longstock Park nursery (SU367384) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (3), Small Copper (2 "M. and F."). "All nectaring on buddleja; have never seen Small Copper on the shrub before."

Paul Harfield reports from Tates Copse Hythe (SU430071) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Seen in bright, warm sunshine between 11.30 and 12.30".

Paul Harfield reports from Fleming Park, Eastleigh (SU442188) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "2 male & 1 female"), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Seen in bright sunshine between 1.30 and 2pm".

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720059) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1), Red Admiral (2), Hummingbird Hawkmoth (1). "Red Admirals have been daily on Buddleia (though not as many now as last week) but the PL and HH were pleasant surprises, having not seen either specis for a few weeks."

Hazel and Alec Pratt reports from Noar Hill (SU743318) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Red Admiral (2), Speckled Wood (3).

Carol Munday reports from Our garden (Su602142) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Brimstone (1), Peacock (2), Red Admiral (1), Small Copper (1), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (1). "What a fantastic day! Warm, sunny and butterflies to enjoy, plus southern hawkers and common darters on the pond!"

peter gardner reports from froxfield ivy cottage (SU711273) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Speckled Wood (9), Small White (3), Comma (9), Small Copper (1). "if we want to see commas this time of the year all ways go to this site, lots of food for them".



Small Copper



Red Admiral



Comma

David Tinling reports from Browndown South(west),Gosport (SZ571991) where the following observations were made: Crimson Speckled BF2054 (1 "flying in sunshine, caught in spider's web, rescued & photographed before it flew away; identification confirmed from my photos by Stewart Swift"). "1340; very rare migrant from Mediterranean; Stewart Swift saw it in Malta many years ago; only about 100 reported in UK, mostly near south coast, since 1900; only 15 reported in Hants & IOW in previous years; hence very lucky to see it in UK once in a lifetime".

R Cobden reports from Fine Land, Shorwell IW (SZ455827) where the following observations were made: Long-tailed blue (1). "A single adult long-tailed blue seen on a sunny afternoon. The butterfly settled in front of my & I had a clear view of the 'tails' on the wings. Sadly I didn't have my camera."

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Range 2 (SU7833) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2), Knot Grass (1 Larval).



Knot Grass larva

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Forest North (Round Hill) (SU8033) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (5), Black Darter (1), Southern Hawker (3).

Steve Mansfield reports from Woolmer Pond (north) (SU7832) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1), Peacock (2), Small Copper (2), Common Darter (50), Ruddy Darter (2), Black Darter (10).

Steve Mansfield reports from Selborne Sotherington Farm (SU7533) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place, Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "male"), Small White (2 "males"), Red Admiral (3), Comma (2), Speckled Wood (1). "in my garden".

Anne McCue reports from Gilkicker (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small White (1). "1400".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "fresh 3rd brood female taking prickly sow-thistle nectar"), Common Darter (1). "0950-1000".

David Tinling reports from Fort Gilkicker,Gosport (SZ606975) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "female taking sea radish nectar"), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood"), Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Common Darter (3). "1010-1045".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-west),Gosport (SZ603979) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male taking cat's-ear nectar"), Speckled Wood (1), Silver Y Moth (1), Common Darter (1). "1045-1120".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(north-west),Gosport (SZ602982) where the following observations were made: Small White (8 "males taking nectar from Michaelmas Daisy & Cat's-ear"), Red Admiral (1 "imbibing blackberry juice"), Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed in sunshine"), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in sunshine"). "1110-1200".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2). "1225".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Large White (1 "male"), Small White (7 "6 males & 1 female"), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (1). "1200-1245".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east),Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male"), Small Copper (1 "very fresh 3rd brood taking creeping thistle nectar"), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in sunshine"), Common Darter (3). "1245-1310".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west),Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "female taking nectar from Viper's Bugloss,Ragwort & Cat's-ear"), Small White (8 "7 males & 1 female"), Small Copper (1 "3rd brood taking mayweed nectar"), Speckled Wood (1), Small Heath (1), Common Darter (1). "1310-1410".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "very fresh 3rd brood male"). "1430".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North,Gosport (SZ583997) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1). "1510-1535".

David Tinling reports from Home Heath,Gosport (SU585003) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (3 "3rd brood,one ab.caeruleopunctata,taking ragwort nectar"), Common Darter (1). "1540-1600;on a very warm,calm & sunny day,along & near the Gosport coast,I saw Clouded Yellow 2,Large White 2,Small White 26,Small Copper 6,Common Blue 1,Red Admiral 3,Comma 3,Speckled wood 6,Small Heath 1,Total 50;also CRIMSON SPECKLED,Silver Y Moth 2,Rush Veneer 2 & Common Darter 17".

David W Hunt reports from Our garden in Stubbington (SU550033) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male - On Verbena"), Large White (1), Red Admiral (1).

## Saturday 5th October

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4229) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (7).

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU4329) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (2).

Paul Brock reports from Barton-on-Sea (SZ239928) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (3 "very easy to photograph for a change!").



Clouded Yellow

peter gardner reports from old winchester hill (SU658215) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Red Admiral (1), Comma (7), Meadow Brown (2), Brimstone (1). "despite it coming over cloudy as soon as we got there we were very pleased with what we saw ,mild with no wind".



Red Admiral



Meadow Brown



Comma

John & Julie Moon reports from Warren Hill, Perham Ranges (su2548) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1), Common Blue (1 "Very fresh-looking, presumably 3rd generation").

Dan Hoare reports from Magdalen Hill Down (SU502292) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "all fresh males"), Comma (4), Red Admiral (3), Large White (2), Small White (1), Common Blue (1 "worn male"), Brown Argus (2 "females, both on section 3 of original reserve"), Chalkhill Blue (1 "v worn female"), Meadow Brown (1), Speckled Wood (1), Peacock (1). "A fantastic afternoon on MHD with 11 species, not bad for October!".

Steve Mansfield reports from Brown Candover (SU5739) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1), Small White (1), Silver Y (1).

## Friday 4th October

Chris Cobb reports from Portchester Common (SU620068) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (2), Comma (1). "15:25 to 15:45".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2), Comma (2). "1340-1430".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (15), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (3). "1430-1600".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (1). "1420-1430".

David Tinling reports from Monckton Road,Gosport (SZ608983) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1435".

David Tinling reports from Hasleworth Drive,Gosport (SZ609984) where the following observations were made: Comma (1). "1440".

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3), Speckled Wood (1). "1455-1505".



David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Small White (1 "male"), Red Admiral (9), Comma (4 "including one very old hutchinsoni"), Speckled Wood (9), Rush Veneer (1 "disturbed in sunshine"), Common Darter (1). "1525-1620".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "taking ivy nectar"). "1620-1630".

Paul Harfield reports from Hedge End Footpath (SU507141) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (3), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1), Small White (2). "Seen in windy and cloudy conditions with occasional sunshine between 2.15 and 3.15pm".

## Thursday 3rd October

Gary palmer reports from cull lane new milton (SZ247964) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), brimstone moth (3 Larval "2 on blackthorn and 1 green form on prunus species"). "A look through a section of mixed lane side hedge found the above, both forms of brimstone larva present on different food plants, which leads me to ponder on what mechanism is in place and how is it triggered, that can determine how a larva can look so different to its kin merely by the ova being deposited on a different plant?".



Brimstone Moth larva



Brimstone Moth larva



Brimstone Moth larva

## Wednesday 2nd October

Gary palmer reports from Brook ave new milton (SZ246955) where the following observations were made: poplar grey (1 Larval "on aspen"). "Driving home early rained of from grass cutting i decided to pull over and have a look at some aspen i had noticed, upon inspection viewing from below i spotted a larva sitting out on a leaf in the rain some 10 feet up, so got my ladders out and obtained some images.".



Poplar Grey

David Tinling reports from Alverstoke Crescent Garden,Gosport (SZ604984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking Michaelmas Daisy nectar"). "0930".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Small White (3 "males"), Red Admiral (8 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (1), Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (1). "1000-1050".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Speckled Wood (2). "1020-1040".

David Tinling reports from Browndown North(south-west),Gosport (SZ579996) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (2 "taking cat's-ear nectar"), Comma (5 "imbibing blackberry juice"), Migrant Hawker (1). "1135".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(south-west),Gosport (SZ578997) where the following observations were made: Small White (3 "males"), Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male"), Speckled Wood (4). "1125-1200".

David Tinling reports from Sandhill(north-west),Gosport (SU577001) where the following observations were made: Common Blue (1 "3rd brood male"), Rush Veneer (2 "disturbed in daylight"). "1200-1215".

David Tinling reports from West of River Alver(west),Gosport (SU579003) where the following observations were made: Meadow Brown (1 "female"), Speckled Wood (1). "1225-1245".

David Tinling reports from Solent Way,Gosport (SZ596990) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1). "1315".

David Tinling reports from Gilkicker(south-east),Gosport (SZ608985) where the following observations were made: Silver Y Moth (1 "disturbed in daylight"), Rush Veneer (2 "disturbed in daylight"). "1450".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1525".

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden (SU724267) where the following observations were made: Comma (3), Red Admiral (2), Small White (1), Speckled Wood (1). "just about 40 minutes of sun was enough to open the café and attract the butterflies in,great to see them, we have yet to find out where they go when the clouds arrive".



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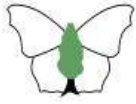
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## Saturday 30th November

Sue Lambert reports from Shirley High Street (SU400136) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "Flying strongly in the tree outside Santos Coffee."

Mike Gibbons reports from Southbourne Undercliff (SZ145912) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (2 "Making the occasional flight before warming up again on bare earth"), Red Admiral (1). "On the slopes protected from the worst of the cold weather, there were 2 very active Clouded Yellows. One was certainly a male and the other was probably a female."



Clouded Yellow

## Tuesday 26th November

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield (SU739229) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking and flying in the early p.m. sun").

Graeme Davis reports from Chalrton Place (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1).

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "taking ivy nectar"). "1215".

## Monday 25th November

Allan, MS D.R. reports from 13 Mill Pond Road, Forton (SU607006) where the following observations were made: Painted Lady (1 "Found indoors fluttering weakly and with one wing deformed or not expanded."). "Gosport, Hampshire, vc11. Debbie (Deborah) Allan."

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking & flying"). "1230-1240".

## Saturday 23rd November

peter gardner reports from highcross froxfield (SU720266) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "trying to keep warm in our porch but flew out when we opened the door[only four degrees outside]".



Red Admiral

Martin Hampton reports from Havant (SU720060) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (0 "a slightly battered individual sunbathing at lunchtime").

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "taking ivy nectar"). "1020-1055".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1100".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking on nettles & flying"). "1135".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay(west),Gosport (SZ589991) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1225".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking Mahonia nectar"). "1245".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "basking on nettles & flying"). "1305".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "in my garden"). "1205".

Anne McCue reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1410".

## Wednesday 20th November

R bryant reports from Northington Down (SU545367) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "flew onto my shoulder at first light ( 0730hrs, 2.5C)").

## Tuesday 19th November

Peter Hunt reports from Wheelers Bay,Bonchurch,Isle of Wight (SZ570776) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "In rapid flight along the base of the cliff"), Red Admiral (4 "Feeding on Ivy and Red Valerian at the Bay"). "A very sunny but cold day.Not up to the quantity of the 6 Clouded Yellows seen at the Bay on the 16th November."

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1035".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1105".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "taking ivy nectar"). "1110-1205".

Anne McCue reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3). "1250".

## Saturday 16th November

peter gardner reports from froxfield garden High Cross (SU715265) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "after a hard white frost we were very suprised to see this red admiral on our one and only buddleia flower on the south facing wall".



Red Admiral

Chris Rose reports from Lye Way Four Marks (SU6631) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Comma (1). "Seen once the sun warmed up on the south facing Ivy <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (7 "taking ivy nectar"). "1100-1130".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking Mahonia nectar"). "1230-1250;also 5 more Red Admirals basking or taking ivy nectar along or near the Gosport coast 1255-1410".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "in my garden").

Anne McCue reports from Botley Wood(north) (SU545105) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Margaret Carr reports from 19 Bramble Way (673526) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

## Friday 15th November

Geoff Jones reports from Lee on the Solent (SZ566998) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Male extremely tattered - retrieved from the pathway - barely alive but walked over the palm of my hand once it warmed up!!").

John Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU3243) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Female"), Red Admiral (2 "Two have been around for most of the last week").

David Tinling reports from Lennox Close,Gosport (SZ610982) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1030".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking & flying"). "1120".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "male flying very low & very rapidly east"), Red Admiral (3 "basking or taking ivy nectar"). "1140-1200 & 1300-1330".

David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(south),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ605994) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking"). "1425".

## Thursday 14th November

David Tinling reports from Wildgrounds(outer east),Gosport (SU583009) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking or taking ivy nectar"). "0945-1020;also 5 more Red Admirals along or near the Gosport 1225-1325".

## Wednesday 13th November

Jenny Mallett reports from Gear Fontley Farm (SU550090) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Terry Hotten reports from Cove (SU860560) where the following observations were made: . "Plume moth possibly Common Plume Moth flying in my garden this afternoon following the first autumnal frost."

Steve Boswell reports from Denny Lodge (SU3305) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2).

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking on a car"). "0945".

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "basking or taking ivy nectar"). "1045-1140".

David Tinling reports from Alver Meadow,Gosport (SZ586998) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1200".

## Tuesday 12th November

Mike Wildish reports from Anton Lakes North (SU365475) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Sunday 10th November

Mike Wildish reports from Picket Twenty (SU385455) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Itchen Stoke (SU558323) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).



Red Admiral

Bob Whitmarsh (RWh) reports from Ovington (SU560315) where the following observations were made: Comma (1).



Comma

Mike Gibbons reports from Southbourne Undercliff (SZ145912) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (5 "All males"), Painted Lady (1 "Probable female"). "Interestingly all the Clouded Yellows were males. Three were very fresh and seemed to have recently emerged. On 4th November I was watching a female Clouded Yellow ovipositing at Southbourne Undercliff. The Painted Lady was a surprise. To top off the day I saw a female Long-winged Conehead cricket on a seaside daisy catching the last rays of sunshine."

Steve Mansfield reports from East Worldham (SU7438) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Mark tutton reports from Northney (SU725039) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Mark tutton reports from Farlington (SU677047) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

M Viveash reports from Medstead GU34 (SU648372) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1). "Basking in the bright sunlight....surprised to see them, they were quite close together".

Chris Rose reports from Four Marks (SU662340) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1). "i was checking the sunlit hedge looking for Red Admirals or Commas which are usually late here when I disturbed a pristine Brimstone, it settled after a while photographs here <http://fourmarksbirding.blogspot.co.uk/>".

C Turkington reports from Blashford Lakes (SU151079) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Clouded Yellow butterfly spotted amongst the brambles at Blashford Lakes").



Clouded Yellow

Jenny Mallett reports from Magdalen hill Extension (SU500293) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Female"), Red Admiral (1).

## Saturday 9th November

Bob Whitmarsh reports from Pemberton Rd/Devenish Rd, Weeke (SU469311) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Comma (1 "basking after heavy rain"). "1320".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5 "basking on gravestones or taking ivy nectar"). "1220-1255".

David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1255-1310".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "taking ivy nectar"). "1400".

## Wednesday 6th November

Mike Gregory reports from Wild Grounds (SU5800) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Monday 4th November

Mike Wildish reports from Anton Lakes West (SU355465) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2).

Norma Goddard reports from Milford on Sea (SZ294913) where the following observations were made: Comma (1), Peacock (1), Red Admiral (1). "A late bonus in the garden SO41 0PZ". (Photo didn't arrive - webmaster)

Mike Gibbons reports from Christchurch (SZ139952) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2 "Nectaring on Hebe Great Orme"), Speckled Wood (1 "Female nectaring on yellow buddleia"). "The female Speckled Wood was my latest garden record of this species. It nectared on the buddleia from 13.30 to 14.40, sunning itself between feeds."





## Speckled Wood

## Speckled Wood

A.C.Smallbone reports from Petersfield Heath (SU754229) where the following observations were made: Small Copper (1 "A relatively fresh individual nectaring on Rough Hawkbit").

Anne McCue reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2).

Anne McCue reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(south-east) (SZ610976) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay,Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2). "1015-1120".

David Tinling reports from Stanley Park,Gosport (SZ592989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1045-1105".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(east),Gosport (SZ583992) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1120-1135".

David Tinling reports from Browdown South(west),Gosport (SZ574994) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 " taking ivy nectar"). "1135-1155;on a day's walk along & near the Gosport coast I saw 18 Red Admirals,Speckled Wood & Common Darter".

peter gardner reports from froxfield gardenhigh cross (SU707262) where the following observations were made: Comma (2), Red Admiral (1). "very pleased to have one day good a week to give the butterflies a chance while there is still a couple flowers left on the buddleias to nectar on, but not for long.".

Anne McCue reports from Privett Place,Gosport (SZ594999) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "in my garden").

David Tinling reports from Browdown North,Gosport (SZ581999) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1 "basking & flying"). "1250".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "basking & flying"), Common Darter (1 "male"). "1300-1325".

## Sunday 3rd November

Mark tutton reports from Sandy point (SZ750985) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "Thought I might find a November small copper in the warm sun - no luck but a red admiral and a trio of greater spotted woodpeckers nearly made up for it.".

David Tinling reports from Carter's Copse,Gosport (SU585001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (3 "basking or taking ivy nectar"). "1020-1030".

David Tinling reports from Browdown North,Gosport (SZ582997) where the following observations were made: Speckled Wood (1), Common Darter (1). "1050-1100 & 1150-1200".

Peter Gammage reports from Gunner Point (SZ689992) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1), Small Copper (1 "very tatty individual just hanging on "). "Only the second time I have managed a November Clouded yellow in the UK.".

## Saturday 2nd November

Mike Wildish reports from Beech Hurst (SU355452) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "At 09:40 - like me, the Admiral went out between the fog and the showers!".

Graham Dennis reports from Ron Wards Meadow (SU601607) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633635) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

Peter E. Hutchins reports from Andover (SU364462) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Roosting / hibernating in the tunnel under the A3057, Northern Avenue, that leads to Anton Lakes LNR from the rear of KFC / The Range").

Paul Harfield reports from Itchen Way (SU464176) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (5). "Seen in bright warm sunshine between 9.30 and 10am. Nectaring on Ivy and basking nearby.".

David Tinling reports from Ewer Common,Gosport (SZ608988) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "1005".



David Tinling reports from Old Railway Line(north),Alverstoke,Gosport (SZ607993) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (2). "1010-1020".

Anne McCue & David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(east),Gosport (SU602001) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (13 "basking or taking ivy nectar"), Speckled Wood (3). "1040-1145".

Anne McCue & David Tinling reports from Ann's Hill Cemetery(west),Gosport (SU598002) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (4 "basking or taking ivy nectar"), Peacock (1 "taking ivy nectar"), Comma (2 "one very small"), Speckled Wood (1). "1145-1210".

A.C.Smallbone reports from Havant town centre (SU717066) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

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## Sunday 29th December

Graham Dennis reports from Mortimer West End garden (SU633635) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "One flying in sunshine").

Barry Juniper reports from St Catherine's Hill, Bournemouth (SZ141959) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Saturday 28th December

Chris Hall reports from Velmead Common (SU823535) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1). "Male brimstone seen taking short flights and basking on bramble leaf, about 1.30 pm in bright sunshine, but shade temperature only 6 C. At Pondtail, Fleet, on south-facing wood edge on Velmead Common."

## Thursday 26th December

I A Smith reports from Lee on the Solent (SU563005) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Flying around the garden in the sunshine").

## Sunday 22nd December

Mark G Painter reports from Southampton Common (SU414142) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Sunning in bright weather.").

John Stacey reports from Bull's Bush Farm (SU5648) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (0 "A very active butterfly settled on ivy in full sun."). "A Christmas Butterfly."

## Friday 20th December

Gary Palmer reports from Shirley Holms (SZ296984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "Above found searching old ivy flowers to feed on in the warm sun mid morning".

Steve Boswell reports from Lyndhurst (SU2908) where the following observations were made: Peacock (0).

Graeme Davis reports from Lloyds Bank, Chalrton Place (SU362460) where the following observations were made: Small Tortoiseshell (1 "Very dappy in gardens, re-homed").

## Thursday 19th December

Steve Boswell reports from Longwater Lawn (SU3208) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Tuesday 17th December

Lynn Fomison writes that she found a Small Tortoiseshell on a window indoors. She moved it to a cooler position in a shed so that it could hibernate satisfactorily. Please record any hibernating butterflies here.

## Thursday 12th December

Mark Pike reports from Grateley Railway Station (SU266412) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Flying around the station area 13.00 in dull but mild conditions.").

## Wednesday 11th December

Ian Pratt reports from Melville Street Ryde (SZ595925) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "Strongly flying in warm conditions".

John Goodspeed reports from Portsdown Cmtpt 9 (SU657062) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (3 "2 males 1 female"), Red Admiral (1). "seen by the Portsdown Conservation Volunteers. Brimstones very active".

## Monday 9th December

Terry Hotten reports from Murrell's Green, Hook (SU748543) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Flying undisturbed alongside railway bridge at noon in warmish sunshine").

Gary Palmer reports from Talbot drive (SZ207945) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1), Small Tortoiseshell (1). "Mid morning found the above basking on the front of south facing bungalow wall."

David Tinling reports from Clayhall Road (central), Gosport (SZ609985) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking on a brick wall & flying"). "1100".

David Tinling reports from Rectory Allotments, Alverstoke, Gosport (SZ606989) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking on a fence"). "1310".

Margaret Carr reports from Old Basing (667529) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1 "Observed by Tim Carr while gardening, may have been disturbed from ivy").

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1).

## Sunday 8th December

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Farley Mount (SU416295) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1). "In flight along a ride".

Peter Martin reports from COURTMOOR, FLEET (SU812528) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Found resting on a shirt on the washing line.").

## Saturday 7th December

Mark tutton reports from Noar hill (SU742320) where the following observations were made: Brown Hairstreak (17 Egg). "Mainly checked blackthorn outside the reserve as I had the dog with me so a pleasing result. Also spent a couple of hours on Selborne common but despite searching high and low in good looking blackthorn stands no eggs - yet! They must be there.....".

## Friday 6th December

Dave Pearson reports from Brockishill Inclosure (SU307110) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Male, resting high up on a Scots Pine"), Red Admiral (1 "Basking on the trunk of a Scots Pine"). "I was amazed to find two butterflies on the wing in the New Forest today. The temperature was only just in double figures and that was in the sunnier sheltered areas. The Red Admiral was not too surprising but the Brimstone was a shock. Also seen by John Ruppertsby who I met in the woods."



Red Admiral



Brimstone

D Shute reports from Cheriton Wood (SU600290) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Flying in sheltered hollow in sunshine").

Mike Gibbons reports from Southbourne Undercliff (SZ145912) where the following observations were made: Clouded Yellow (1 "Actively flying in sunshine."). "A male seen at 12.55 which looked in very good condition."

Graham Dennis reports from Pamber Forest (SU615609) where the following observations were made: Brimstone (1 "Flying in sunshine"), *Agonopterix ocellana* (1 "disturbed while coppicing").

David Tinling reports from Stokes Bay(old moat ),Gosport (SZ594986) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1130".

David Tinling reports from Gosport & Stokes Bay Golf Course(north-east) (SZ612981) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1235".

David Tinling reports from Fort Road(east),Gosport (SZ613983) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1240".

David Tinling reports from Hasleworth Drive,Gosport (SZ609984) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "basking & flying"). "1325".

John Moon reports from Abbots Ann (SU3243) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1).

## Wednesday 4th December

Ian Pratt reports from Melville Street Ryde IOW (SZ595925) where the following observations were made: Red Admiral (1 "Flying strongly in drizzle!").

Maya Whitmarsh reports from Bereweek Avenue, Winchester (SU472305) where the following observations were made: Peacock (1). "In sheltered position outside house, wings closed."

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