

BUTTERFLIES AT LANDGUARD

2014

The following is a brief summary of casual records collected at Landguard Bird Observatory for the whole of the Landguard recording area in 2014. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented and dates for first & last sightings should be treated as an absolute minimum.

SMALL SKIPPER

Singles on the Butts June 30th, July 2nd & 3rd plus 2 17th. This species was also reported to SBRC in 2013. First site records.

ESSEX SKIPPER

Noted June 20th to July 2nd.

CLOUDED YELLOW

One June 8th then noted August 2nd to November 1st, max. 8 October 10th.

BRIMSTONE

One on the Butts April 21st.

LARGE WHITE

Noted April 9th to October 12th. Singles in moth traps September 17th & 19th.

SMALL WHITE

Noted March 30th to October 14th. Two in moth traps July 15th.

GREEN-VEINED WHITE

Noted April 9th to 18th & July 14th to September 9th.

ORANGE TIP

Singles on 8 dates April 16th to May 20th plus two May 14th.

GREEN HAIRSTREAK

Noted April 30th to June 18th, max. 25+ May 25th.

SMALL COPPER

Noted May 5th to 26th & July 8th to October 25th.

BROWN ARGUS

Noted April 30th to September 29th.

COMMON BLUE

Noted April 30th to November 4th.

HOLLY BLUE

Noted May 14th to August 18th.

RED ADMIRAL

Noted April 25th to November 10th, max 20 August 31st. Singles in moth traps September 18th, 19th & 20th.

PAINTED LADY

Noted May 25th to September 28th, max. 3 on several dates. One in moth trap August 28th.

SMALL TORTOISESHELL

Noted March 4th to October 5th.

THE PEACOCK

Noted March 10th to May 20th & July 4th to October 30th.

THE COMMA

Noted April 9th & June 22nd to October 27th.

HIGH BROWN FRITILLARY

One July 19th. First site record & the first in Suffolk since 1959.

SPECKLED WOOD

Noted April 10th to October 5th.

GRAYLING

Singles July 12th, 21st, August 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

THE GATEKEEPER

Noted July 5th to September 4th. One in moth trap July 15th..

MEADOW BROWN

Noted May 10th to September 3rd.

SMALL HEATH

Noted May 19th to October 2nd.

THE RINGLET

Noted June 20th to July 21st, max. 5 June 30th & July 17th. Appears to have colonised the site in recent years.

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