

BUTTERFLIES AT LANDGUARD

2021

The following is a brief summary of casual records collected at Landguard Bird Observatory for the whole of the Landguard recording area in 2021. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented and dates for first & last sightings should be treated as an absolute minimum.

SMALL SKIPPER

Noted July 11th to 22nd, max. two 22nd.

ESSEX SKIPPER

Noted July 5th to August 14th.

LARGE SKIPPER

One July 14th.

CLOUDED YELLOW

Two July 22nd, one 31st, two August 1st, one 11th & noted September 16th to October 25th, max. 11 September 22nd & four October 25th.

BRIMSTONE

Singles June 1st, 2nd, 3rd, August 2nd & October 9th.

LARGE WHITE

Noted May 5th to October 15th.

SMALL WHITE

Noted March 30th to October 28th.

GREEN-VEINED WHITE

Noted April 27th to June 6th & July 15th to September 1st in very low numbers.

ORANGE TIP

Singles on nine dates May 7th to June 8th plus two June 4th.

GREEN HAIRSTREAK

Noted May 18th to June 24th, max. two.

SMALL COPPER

Noted May 7th to June 15th & July 9th to November 2nd.

BROWN ARGUS

Noted May 16th, June 16th & July 15th to October 12th.

COMMON BLUE

Noted June 6th to 28th & July 21st to November 2nd.

HOLLY BLUE

Noted May 29th to October 10th in low numbers.

RED ADMIRAL

Noted May 10th to November 23rd, max. 45 July 2nd & 106 August 1st.

PAINTED LADY

Noted April 15th & May 9th to September 25th, max. 13 May 11th & 19 July 31st.

SMALL TORTOISESHELL

One in Mine Station January 8th. Noted February 26th, March 27th, April 19th, May 10th to June 7th, June 23rd to September 2nd & October 9th. One in building observatory November 28th.

LARGE TORTOISESHELL

One April 1st & a possible one July 15th.

CAMBERWELL BEAUTY

One August 30th.

THE PEACOCK

17 hibernating in buildings accessed at start of the year. Noted March 29th to June 10th & July 22nd to August 23rd. Hibernating in buildings noted from August.

THE COMMA

Noted April 23rd & July 14th to October 9th, max. two September 28th.

SPECKLED WOOD

Four noted April 27th to May 12th & noted August 22nd to October 28th, max. two.

WALL

One August 23rd to 26th.

THE GATEKEEPER

Noted July 17th to September 15th.

MEADOW BROWN

Noted June 24th to September 9th.

SMALL HEATH

Noted May 29th to October 10th.

THE RINGLET

Noted July 1st to 21st, max. four 20th.

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