

# MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS AT LANDGUARD 2023

This is a summary of miscellaneous casual records in the Landguard recording area during 2023. Many sightings, particularly of common species, go undocumented and the species and dates should be treated as an absolute minimum.

## Plants

**HEMP** *Cannabis sativa*

One under bird feeder from November 19th.

**COMMON HOP** *Humulus lupulus*

One large plant on observatory fence first noticed September 2nd.

**STINKING GOOSEFOOT** *Chenopodium vulvaria*

Plants present end June to early November. 38 in front of Manor Terrace car park next to yellow-horned poppy July 17th. 222 on seaward side the Butts August 10th. Two front of observatory August 10th.

**SQUASH** *Cucurbita moschata*

Two in close proximity on the Butts from September 16th.

**LESSER CALAMINT** *Clinopodium nepeta*

Still on Darrell's Battery.

**JERSEY CUDWEED** *Gnaphalium luteoalbum*

Vast number around & on the Fort.

## Fungi/Slime Mould

**WOLF'S MILK** *Lycogala epidendrum*

Cottage garden April 8th.

## Amphibians

**SMOOTH NEWT** *Lissotriton vulgaris*

Noted from February 19th when relining Helgoland pond. 27 Helgoland pond, 15 gun emplacement pond & seven Butts pond June 13th.

**FROG** *Rana temporaria*

Five adult plus spawn Butts Pond from March 20th in a very small quantity. Two adult plus spawn Garage Pond from March onward. Two adult Cottage garden.

## Reptiles

**COMMON LIZARD** *Zootoca vivipara*

Adult female Butts Pond April 16th. Adult male cottage Garden October 13th.

**SLOW WORM** *Anguis fragilis*

One observatory May 8th. One adult cottage garden May 15th. Juveniles cottage garden & fenced area June 21st.

**GRASS SNAKE** *Natrix natrix*

One gun emplacement pond in observatory May 26th.

## Araneae

**PIRATE WOLF SPIDER** *Pirata piraticus*

One Butts pond April 16th.

**ZEBRA JUMPING SPIDER** *Salticus scenicus*

Various noted on buildings September/October.

**EUROPEAN GARDEN ORB SPIDER** *Araneus diadematus*

100+ noted August/September on bushes.

**STRETCH SPIDER** *Tetragnatha Sp.*

One Garage Pond August 22nd.

**NOBLE FALSE WIDOW** *Steatoda nobilis*

Frequently observed Cottage/Garage/Office all year round.

### Arthropoda

**OAK BUSH-CRICKET** *Meconema thalassinum*

One in moth trap October 1st.

**MEDITERRANEAN STICK INSECT** *Bacillus rossius*

One October 15th.

**ANTLION** *Euroleon nostras*

One September 4th. First site record.

### Dictyoptera

**LESSER COCKROACH** *Ectobius panzeri*

Noted in moth traps from July – no counts.

### Hemiptera

**WESTERN CONIFER SEED BUG** *Leptoglossus occidentalis*

Singles September 4th & 10th.

**HAWTHORN SHIELDBUG** *Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale*

Noted in moth traps or sitting on mist nets June 13th to October 21st.

**BIRCH SHIELDBUG** *Elasmotethus interstinctus*

One September 13th.

**COMMON GREEN SHIELDBUG** *Palomena prasina*

Noted April 22nd to November 19th, max. ten May 24th.

**DOCK BUG** *Coreus marginatus*

Noted May 5th to June 28th. 40+ on one plant on the Butts June 12th.

**FOREST BUG** *Pentatoma rufipes*

Noted May 10th to September 12th.

**WHEAT BUG** *Nysius huttoni*

Research grade iNaturalist observation Manor Terrace July 25th.

### Coleoptera

**HARLEQUIN LADYBIRD** *Harmonia axyridis*

126 noted in the moth traps June 10th to October 21st, max. 22 August 23rd.

**DEVIL'S COACH HORSE** *Ocypus olens*

Noted around the moth trap behind the kitchen in observatory compound.

**SUMMER CHAFER** *Amphimallon solstitialis*

106 noted in moth traps June 14th to July 7th, max. 13 June 20th & 22nd.

**COCKCHAFER** *Melolontha melolontha*

Singles in moth traps June 16th & 18th.

**GREAT DIVING BEETLE** *Dytiscus marginalis*

Singles in moth trap June 7th, August 15th & November 15th.

*Anthicus antherinus*

Research grade iNaturalist observation towards the point July 25th.

## Diptera

### **DUNE VILLA** *Villa modesta*

Noted from July 2nd to August 13th. Count of c.30 July 2nd.

### *Volucella zonaria*

Noted from June 21st to August 13th. Counts of c.20 July 2nd & 5th.

### **BATMAN HOVERFLY** *Myathropa florum*

20+ observed September/October.

### **EURASIAN SMOOTHWING/PIED HOVERFLY** *Scaeva pyrastris*

Three Office Wall, two Garage Wall August 7th.

### **RAGWORT FLY** *Sphenella marginata*

Reasearch grade iNaturalist towards the point July 25th.

### *Ornithomya avicularia*

Collected from Wood Pigeon August 8th & House Sparrow October 7th.

### *Ornithomya fringillina*

Collected from Blue Tit September 30th.

## Hymenoptera

### **GREEN-EYED FLOWER BEE** *Anthophora bimaculata*

Singles July 2nd & 12th.

### **EUROPEAN BEEWOLF** *Philanthus triangulum*

Numerous noted on bare ground Manor Terrace, Garage garden & on stabilised shingle July/August.

### **EUROPEAN HONEY BEE** *Apis mellifera*

Numerous observed Cottage garden & Garage garden June/July.

### **GERMAN WASP** *Vespula germanica*

<10 Cottage garden, garage garden & cottage pond July.

## Lymnaeidae

### **GREATER POND SNAIL** *Lymnaea stagnalis*

Numerous observed Garage & Cottage ponds July.

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