

## Butterflies & Moths - species seen in Selsdon Wood

We have a booklet entitled "*Selsdon Wood Nature Reserve - Its history and Management: Some records of Flora and Fauna*" which was produced in 1978 by Jack Penry-Jones on behalf of the Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society. This contains a list of "Macro-lepidoptera" (butterflies and moths)" recorded by E H Wild prior to publication in 1978. These are indicated by a Y in the 1978 column but Mr. Wild's list includes around 200 more species (mostly moths) than we have seen and shown on this chart.

The dates in the other columns show first sightings in any one year. Dates in 2012 are drawn from Ted Forsyth's transects and other dates prior to 2018 are drawn from website photographs. In 2018, moths seen on 11<sup>th</sup> July were caught on the test of the new moth trap and those on 19<sup>th</sup> July during the Bat & Moth Walk.

Species are listed in the same order as they are shown on the FSW website. Only the English names are given here (except in the few cases of moths with no English name) although the Latin names are given on the website. Red text shows species seen for the first time this year.

From 2022 the initials of the person making the sighting are given - Valerie Baldry (VB), Daniel Bound (DB), Steve Budd (SB), Ruth Budd (RB), Connor Church (CC), Tony Flecchia (TFI), Rosalyn Heaton (RH), Frank Kippin (FK), Lauren LeMasurier (LL), and Nicola Webster (NW). Daniel's sightings were made on his weekly transect (but not photographed), the two 2023 sightings marked \* were seen on the annual Butterfly Walk on 8<sup>th</sup> July and the 2024 sightings marked \* were seen on the Butterfly Walk on 29<sup>th</sup> June.

BUTTERFLIES																	
Whites & Yellows	1978	Notes	Pre 2012	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Brimstone	Y			30 Apr	6 Aug	8 Jun				26 Mar		24 Mar	19 Mar	9 Feb (SB)	24 Mar (RB)	14 Mar (RB)	9 Mar (NW)
Clouded Yellow					4 Aug									26 Aug (RB)			
Green-Veined White	Y			11 May	4 Aug					21 Apr		23 Apr	18 Apr	15 Apr (RB)	20 May (RB)	11 Apr (DB)	
Large White	Y			24 Jul	26 Jul		18 Jul			22 Apr		12 July	8 July	17 Apr (RB)	10 May (RB)	1 Sept (VB)	
Orange Tip	Y		2/5/05	30 Apr	16 May	31 May				21 Apr		25 Apr	18 Apr	12 Apr (RB)	29 Apr (RB)	11 Apr (DB)	
Small White	Y			30 Apr	1 Jun			4 Aug				1 Jul	17 July	19 May (RB)	14 May (DB)	4 May (TFI)	
Brush Foot Butterflies	1978	Notes	Pre 2012	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Comma	Y		19/7/11	22 May	16 May					5 May		22 Mar	19 Mar	15 Mar (RB)	3 Apr (CC)	16 Mar (RB)	6 Mar (SB)
Dark Green Fritillary		First seen in 2020 - rare in this area										15 Jun	4 July				
Painted Lady		First seen in 2019									22 Aug		23 July	1 June (RB)		14 July (RB)	
Peacock	Y			30 Apr	7 Aug	26 Jun				14 Apr		24 Mar	25 Mar	15 Mar (RB)	4 Apr (LL)	16 Mar (RB)	9 Mar (NW)
Purple Emperor		First seen in 2020										12 July				28 June (RB)	
Red Admiral	Y		1/7/11				31 Jul					24 Mar	24 June	29 May (HG)	12 Mar (RB)	7 June (VB)	
Silver Washed Fritillary	Y		1/7/11	21 July	12 Aug	3 Jul						2 July	24 June	27 June (RB)	26 June (DB)	10 July (RB)	
Small Tortoiseshell	Y				23 Aug	10 Jun	22 May			5 Apr		19 Jun		23 Mar (RB)	4 Apr (DB)		8 Mar (TFI)
White Admiral	Y		1/7/11	28 Jun								6 July	8 July	16 June (RB)	26 June (DB)	29 June (RB) *	
Browns and Ringlets	1978	Notes	Pre 2012	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Gatekeeper				11 Aug	4 Aug		1 Aug					27 Jun	17 July	17 July (RB)	28 June (RB)	12 July (RB)	
Marbled White				21 Jul	12 Jul							20 Jun	30 Jun	18 June (RB)	26 June (RB)	29 June (RB) *	
Meadow Brown	Y			12 Jul	27 Jul		1 Jul					7 Jun	13 Jun	3 June (RB)	7 June (RB)	12 June (RB)	
Small Heath	Y			28 Jun	18 Jun						31 May	27 Jun	13 Jun	19 May (RB)	14 June (DB)	12 June (RB)	
Speckled Wood	Y			28 Jun	31 May					1 May		23 Apr	7 May	13 Apr (RB)	30 Apr (RB)	15 Apr (RB)	
Ringlet	Y			21 Jul								28 Jun	4 July	19 June	26 June (DB)	19 Apr (TFI)	
Blues, Hairstreaks & Coppers	1978	Notes	Pre 2012	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Brown Hairstreak									July			11 Aug	14 Aug	26 Aug (RB)		23 Aug (RB)	

Brown Argus					3 Aug	13 Aug	21 Jul						15 July	4 July	23 July (RB)			
Common Blue	Y				8 Aug								17 May	31 May	22 May (RB)	4 June (RB)	23 May (VB)	
Small Blue		Seen on the BB													16 June (RB)	23 May (RB)		
Green Hairstreak																		
Holly Blue	Y			2 Jun					13 Apr	5 May			6 July	9 May	15 Apr (RB)	28 Apr (RB)	13 Apr (TFI)	
Purple Hairstreak	Y			19 Jul									29 July	11 July	9 July (DB)	1 July (RB)	17 July (RB)	
Small Copper	Y			11 Aug	9 Aug								12 July	7 May	17 July (RB)	7 June (DB)	28 July (RB)	
White-letter Hairstreak														16 July				
<b>Skippers</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>			
Small Essex Skipper				24 Jul												8 July (DB)*		
Dingy Skipper	Y						13 May					31 May			8 May (RB)	30 May (DB)		
Large Skipper	Y			30 Jul	12 Jul							23 Jun	23 Jun	11 June (RB)	19 June (DB)	29 June (RB) *		
Small Skipper	Y		29/6/10										23 July		8 July (DB)*	14 July (SB)		
<b>MOTHS</b>																		
<b>Nepticulidae</b>																<b>2023</b>		
Black Headed Pigmy Moth, Stigmella atricapitella																28 May (TFI)		
Bramble Leaf Miner (Leaf Mine)													21 Sept	9 Feb (TFI)	9 Aug (TFI)			
Coarse Hazel Pigmy, Stigmella floslactella															1 Aug (TFI)			
Scarce Maple Pigmy Moth, Stigmella aceris															21 Aug (TFI)			
<b>Erebidae</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>			
Black Arches Moth	Y			7 Aug								20 Aug		20 July (HG)		16 Aug (TFI)		
Blackneck Moth		Woodland				16 Jun												
Buff Ermine Moth	Y				3 Jul				11 Jul					23 May (TFI)				
Buff Footman, Eilema depressa													3 Aug					
Burnet Companion Moth				29 May	1 Jun					6 June		31 May	21 May (SB)	27 May (RB)	21 May (RB)			
Cinnabar Moth		Caterpillar seen 2014/2015 - Moth seen 2020			19 Jul	1 Aug						21 Jun						
Common Footman Moth									11 Jul									
Jersey Tiger Moth				17 Aug	14 Aug								28 Aug		8 Aug (FK))	16 Aug (RB)		
Mother Shipton Moth, Euclidia mi														19 May (SB)	17 June (HG)			
Pale Tussock Moth Larva, Calliteara pudibunda															1 Oct (TFo)			
Rosy Footman Moth, Miltochrista miniata															16 Aug (TFI)	1 Aug (RB)		
Ruby Tiger						30 Jul			19 Jul									
The Snout - Hypena proboscidalis													20 Sep					
White Ermine Moth	Y					6 Aug												
<b>Tortricidae</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>			
Cnephasia asseclana		Flax Tortrix moth												31 May (RB)				
Cnephasia sp							12 Aug											
Acleris forsskaleana									11 July									
Cnephasia longana							12 Aug											
Grapholita internana		Gorse		10 Jun														
Green Oak Tortrix									19 Jul					2 June (RH)		16 June (RB)		
Large Fruit Tree Tortrix Moth		On trees				14 May		30 Apr				31 May			19 May (TFI)			
Pammene aurana, Orange Spot Piercer						19 Jun						23 Jun	20 June (TFI)	3 July (TFI)				
Pammene spiniana						16 Jun												
Small Spruce Bell, Epinotia nanana										18 July								
White Cloaked Shoot, Gypsonoma sociana														12 July (TFI)				
<b>Crambidae</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>					
Anania lancealis									8 Aug									

Box Tree Moth, <i>Cydalima perspectalis</i> .										22 July		12 Sept		28 June (TFI)		
Dark-inlaid Grass Veneer, <i>Crambus lathoniellus</i>									1 June					1 June (TFI)		
Dusky Pearl moth, <i>Udea prunalis</i>													9 June (TFI)			
Elbow-stripe Grass-veneer, <i>Agriphila geniculata</i>													24 Aug (TFI)	21 Aug (TFI)	27 Aug (TFI)	
Garden Grass Veneer Moth						7 Jun							3 June (SB)		5 Aug (TFI)	
Grass Moth, <i>Agriphila straminella</i>		July/Aug				8 Aug					17 July		2 Aug (TFI)	9 Aug (TFI)		
Grass Veneer Moth											17 July					
Hook Streak Grass Veneer, <i>Crambus lathoniellus</i>												10 June		5 July (TFI)		
Inlaid Grass Veneer, <i>Crambus pascuella</i>													27 Aug (TFI)			
Platytes cerussella										19 July						
Scoparia ambigua									7 July							
Small Magpie	Y					30 Jul										
Straw Grass Veneer moth, <i>Agriphila straminella</i>														10 July (TFI)	19 July (TFI)	
Yellow Satin Grass Veneer										15 Jul	30 May		25 Aug (TFI)		13 Aug (TFI)	
<b>Noctuidae</b>		<b>Notes</b>											<b>2022</b>			
Antler Moth									Jul							
The Clay Moth						30 Jul										
Coronet Moth										11 Jul				16 July (TFI)		
Double Square Spot Moth										11 Jul						
Dun-bar Moth										19 Jul						
Dusky Brocade Moth - <i>Apamea remissa</i> , var. <i>obtusa</i>													27 June (TFI)	17 May (RB)		
Flame-shoulder Moth										19 Jul						
Green Brindled Crescent											28 Oct					
Hebrew Character Moth	Y					12 Jun										
Knot Grass Moth										21 May						
Large Yellow Underwing												27 April	13 Sept (TFI)			
Lunar-spotted Pinion moth, <i>Cosmia pyralina</i>															11 Aug (TFI)	
Marbled Minor Moth	Y								23 Jun							
Mottled Rustic, <i>Caradrina morpheus</i>													30 Sep	3 Oct (TFI)		
Small Quaker Moth	Y					6 Jun										
Small Square-spot, <i>Diarsia rubi</i>														3 Oct (TFI)		
Southern Brindled Moth										16 Jun						
Silver Y Moth	Y				14 Aug								20 May		15 May (TFI)	
Small Yellow Underwing		First seen in 2021											20 May	12 May (SB)		
Square-spotted Clay										18 July						
Square-spot Rustic, <i>Xestia xanthographa</i>														13 Sept (TFI)		
The Rustic - <i>Hoplodrina blanda</i>													9 Sept	17 Aug (TFI)	17 Aug (TFI)	
<b>Geometridae</b>	<b>1978</b>	<b>Notes</b>		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Blue Bordered Carpet Moth		<i>Plemyria rubiginata</i>											12 July			
Brimstone Moth	Y	<i>Opisthograptis luteolata</i>			14 Aug	14 Aug								21 July (HG)		
Brown Silverline Moth		<i>Petrophora chlorosata</i>											19 June			
Common Carpet Moth		<i>Epirrhoe alternata</i>											12 June			
Common Marbled Carpet Moth		<i>Dysstroma truncata</i>											6 June			
Common White Wave		<i>Cabera pusaria</i>										12 July				
Cream Wave		<i>Scopula floslactata</i>							11 Jul		23 May			17 May (SB)		
Dwarf Cream Wave		<i>Idaea fuscovenosa</i>							11 July							9 May (TFI)
Engrailed Moth	Y	<i>Ectropis crepuscularia</i>		20 Aug												
Geometer Moth or Inchworm		<i>Geometridae sp</i>										6 Sept				



