

APRIL/MAY 2008 ARCHIVED WHAT'S ABOUT

(Dates in reverse order)

31st May

Small Dusty Wave; Bispham (C Raby)

Peach Blossom, Chinese Character, Small Angle Shades, Setaceous Hebrew Character; White Coppice (E Langrish)

Elephant Hawk Moth, Poplar Hawk-moth, Figure of Eighty, Rivulet, Pale Tussock, Spectacle; Coppull (E Langrish)

Brytrophra affinis (2), *Epiblema cynosbatella*, Pale-shouldered Brocade, Flame, White-pinion Spotted, Peach Blossom (2), Middle-barred Minor, *Rhyacionia pinivorana*, *Epinotia tedella*; last two new to Chris's well recorded Billinge site (C Darbyshire)

Rhyacionia pinivorana; Flixton (K McCabe) - new for Kevin's well recorded site (cf also new in Billinge)

Eulia ministrana; Silverdale (R Griffiths)

Ancylis myrtillana; Heysham (J Holding)

30th May

Psychoides filicivora, Small Angle Shades, Bright-line Brown-eye, Cabbage Moth; Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Lime Hawk-moth; Preston (A Powell)

Scorched Wing; White Coppice (E Langrish)

Ancylis myrtillana; Bentham (B Hugo det J Holding)

29th May

Elephant Hawk-moth, Small Elephant Hawk-moth, Seraphim, Peppered Moth (2), Alder Moth, Chinese Character, Scorched Wing; Silverdale (T Riden)

Shaded Pug; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Brimstone Moth, Grey Pine Carpet, Scalloped Hazel; Oswaldtwistle (B Clegg)

Tawny Shears; Warton (M Elsworth)

Clouded Silver, an early Large Yellow Underwing; Euxton (R Hoult)

Small Angle Shades; Rainford (A Cheney)

27th May

Beautiful Snout (2), Square Spot, Alder Moth (2), Green Silver -lines (3) Cream Wave (7), Welsh Wave (2), Peach Blossom, Broken-barred Carpet, Rivulet (2); Lord's Lot Wood (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Treble-lines (3), Pebble Hook-tip; Leighton Moss (C Barnes, B Hancock)

Argyresthia cupressella; Flixton (K McCabe) - the third site for this moth in Lancs. It is obviously spreading so keep your eyes peeled for it.

Green Carpet, Little Emerald; Leyland (A Barker, E Langrish)

Bordered Sallow; Sunderland Point (P Marsh, T & H Morbey-Ganley)

24th May

Seraphim, Small Fan-foot; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Alder Moth; Coppull (E Langrish)

Green Silver-lines; Mill Leat (E Langrish)

Lesser Wax Moth, Square Spot, Barred Umber; Silverdale (E Langrish) Elephant Hawk-moth; Bay Horse (N Rogers)

23rd May

Bordered Straw; Wray (P Marsh)

Orthotaenia undulana - bred; Astley Moss (B Smart, K McCabe)

Anania funebris (2), *Teleiodes sequax* larva on Rock-rose; Warton Crag (B Smart)

22nd May

Clouded-bordered Brindle, *Psychoides filicivora*, Dog's-tooth; Silverdale (T Riden)

Barred Hook-tip; Silverdale (B Dyson)

Clouded Silver, Common Swift; Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Pale Tussock (2), Poplar Hawk-moth, Shuttle-shaped Dart (4), White-pinion Spotted, Clouded-bordered Brindle; A Cheney (Rainford)

21st May

Esperia sulphurella, White-pinion Spotted, Swallow Prominent; Wigan (G & B Wynn)

Silver Y, Clouded-bordered Brindle, Codling Moth; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Common Marbled Carpet, Peppered Moth; Lancaster (C Barnes)

Dog's-tooth, Pebble Prominent; Sunderland Point (T & H Morbey-Ganley, J Girdley)

Merveille du Jour update - larvae into third instar (E Langrish)

Anania funebris (31), *Eucosma aspidiscana* (13), *Lobesia reliquana* (3), *Argyresthia arceuthina*, *Micropterix tunbergella* (100+), *Olethreutes arcuella* (5), *Pyrausta purpuralis* (5), *Pyrausta cingulata* (8), *Pancalia leuwenhoekella*, Cream Wave, *Capua vulgana*, *Orthotaenia undulana*, *Agapeta hamana*, *Parornix devoniella*; Gait Barrows (C Barnes, S Palmer)

20th May

Light-brown Apple Moth; Hale (C Cockbain)

Dwarf Pug (40); Littledale (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Eyed Hawk-moth; Cabbage Moth; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Eyed Hawk-moth; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock)

Broken-barred Carpet, Scorched Wing (2), Square Spot (3), Pale Prominent; Dalton (A Greening, S Palmer)

Map-winged Swift (*f. gallicus*); Leighton Moss (B Hancock)

Rustic Shoulder-knot - *thoughts appreciated*; Lytham (J Wardle)

Anania funebris; Gait Barrows (D Bennett)

18th May

Small Square-spot; Rustic Shoulder-knot; Flixton (K McCabe)

Archips podana, bred; Astley Moss and *Aphelia paleana*, bred; Warrington (K McCabe)

Common Swift, Green Carpet, Grey Pug, Silver-ground Carpet, White-pinion Spotted; Worsley (I Walker)

17th May

Small Phoenix, May Highflyer (*f. obsoletaria*), Yellow-barred Brindle; Parbold (J Kilgour)

Yellow-barred Brindle; Marton, Blackpool (P Barnes)
Anania funebris; Gait Barrows (C Barnes)

Miller, Flame Shoulder; Lancaster (C Barnes)

16th May

Cream Wave; Gait Barrows (D Bennett)

Yellow Horned larva; Astley Moss (B Smart, K McCabe)

Ectoedemia subbimaculella, *Stigmella trimaculella* and *Elachista maculicerusella*, all bred from mines, *Lathronympha strigana*, Green Pug and Miller, all bred from larva; Chorlton (B Smart)

Esperia sulphurella, *Eudonia angustea*, Pebble Hook-tip, Garden Carpet, Buff-tip, Pale Prominent, Pale Tussock, Champion; Flixton (K McCabe)

Green Carpet (2); Worsley and Scalloped Hazel; Boothstown (I Walker)

Nut Tree Tussock (2), Knot Grass (1) Common Lutestring (7); Crossgill, Littledale (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Scalloped Hazel, Bright-line Brown-eye (2); Morecambe (J Girdley)

Pale Pinion; Warton (M Elsworth)

Dark Sword-grass, Spectacle; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey-Ganley, J Girdley)

15th May

White-spotted Pug; Warton (M Elsworth)

Pyrausta cingulata; Warton Crag; B Hancock

Eucosma aspidiscana; Warton Crag and Carnforth Iron Works (J Newton)

Clouded Border, White Ermine, Buff Ermine, Bright-line Brown-eye; Flixton (K McCabe)

14th May

Green Carpet (2), Grey Birch, Grey Pug, Muslin Moth; Worsley (I Walker)

Scallop Shell (bred from larva); Rixton (B Smart)

Poplar Hawkmoth, Peach Blossom, Cinnabar; Flixton (K McCabe)

13th May

Common Marbled Carpet, Heart and Dart; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Grey Pug; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock)

Small Yellow Underwing; Gait Barrows (B Hancock and J Knowler)

Pyrausta ostrinalis, Mottled pug Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones et al)

Speckled Yellow (4), *Pyrausta cingulata* (3); Gait Barrows (B Brigden)

Anania funebris; Gait Barrows (P Greenhalgh)

12th May

Common Carpet, Dark-barred Twin-spot Carpet, Flame Carpet (2), Green Carpet (4), Herald, Muslin Moth, Pale Prominent, Small Phoenix (3); Worsley (I Walker)

11th May

Small Phoenix - a new species for this garden; Parbold (J Kilgour)

Common Marbled Carpet; Blackpool (P Barnes)

Anania funebris; Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones)

Pseudoswammerdamia combinella; Silverdale (T Riden) - **first record in Lancs for many year**

Chamomile Shark; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Lime-speck Pug, Grey Pug, Pine Beauty, *Scoparia ambigualis*, *Swammerdamia pyrella*; Flixton (K McCabe)

Ochreous Pug, Common Pug; Parbold (J Kilgour)

Mother Shipton, Small Yellow Underwing, *Elachista argentella*, Cinnabar; Flixton (K McCabe)

Epiblema trimaculana (bred Hawthorn), *Teleoides vulgella* (bred Rowan); Chorlton (B Smart)

Square Spot (6!!); Dalton (P Marsh)

White Ermine, Mullein; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Tawny Shears (5), Chamomile Shark, Figure of 80; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey Ganley, J Girdley)

10th May

Tinea trinotella, Waved Umber, White-pinion Spotted (new to garden), Spectacle, Lychnis, Dot Moth, Pale Mottled Willow; Hale (C Cockbain)

Pale Prominent, Pale Tussock; Worsley (I Walker)

Pale Tussock, Spectacle, Brimstone Moth; Warton (M Elsworth)

Poplar Hawk-moth; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey Ganley, J Girdley)

Poplar Hawk-moth; Dog's-tooth, Marbled Coronet; Middleton (P Marsh)

Alder Kitten, Pebble Hook-tip; Botton Mill (P Marsh)
Common Wave, Common Swift, Ruby Tiger; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

White-pinion Spotted (8), Grey birch, Common White Wave, Brown Silver-lines; Coppull (E Langrish)

Lunar Marbled Brown, White-pinion spotted, Oak Nycteoline, May Highflyer; Rochdale (P Stevens)

Yellow-barred Brindle; Bolton (J Ormerod)

Herald; Lancaster (C Barnes)

9th May

Iron Prominent, Herald; Rainford (A Cheney)
Clouded Silver, Yellow-barred Brindle, Common White Wave, Pine beauty, Spruce Carpet, Oak Nycteoline; Worden Park (A Barker, E Langrish)

Clouded Silver, V Pug, Clouded-bordered Brindle, Ruby Tiger, Purple Thorn; Lower Burgh Meadow (E Langrish)

Miller, Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Diamond-back moth, *Eriocrania subpurpurella* (100+), Iron Prominent, Early tooth-striped; Worsthorne (G Gavaghan)

Purple Bar; Haweswater (A & P Palmer)

Silver Y (3), Flame Carpet (10), Streamer, Red Chestnut (2), Least Black Arches, Diamond-back Moth (4), Flame Shoulder, Powdered Quaker (2); Bay Horse (Nigel Rogers)

Great Prominent (2), Least Black Arches; Silverdale (R & R Griffiths)

Diamond-back Moth; Silverdale (T Riden)

Marbled Minor (agg.), Least Black Arches, Oak-tree Pug, *Syndemis musculana*; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Pale Prominent, Tawny Pinion; High Tatham (P Marsh)

Puss Moth, Red Sword Grass; Heysham (P Marsh et al)

White-pinion Spotted (new 10km record), Clouded Silver (2), Common Lutestring, *Semioscopis steinkellneriana* (2) new 10km record; Herring Head Wood (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Argyresthia trifasciata; Torrisholme (A Draper)

Depressaria ultimella, *Lobesia littoralis*; Heysham (J Holding)

Marbled Coronet (3), Dark Sword-grass, Pale Pinion, Diamond-back Moth; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey Ganley, J Girdley)

Puss Moth; Worsley (I Walker)

Bright-line Brown-eye, Lime Hawkmoth, Sallow Kitten; Boothstown (I Walker)

Barred Hook-tip (new record for site), Foxglove Pug, Currant Pug, Grey Birch, Ruby Tiger; Flixton (K McCabe)

Morphaga choragella bred from larvae on bracket fungus; Astley Moss (B Smart) second county record

8th May

Shuttle Shaped Dart, Setaceous Hebrew Character, Light-brown Apple Moth;
Euxton (E Langrish)

Highflyer (2), Garden Carpet; Preston (S Palmer)

Scarce Prominent, Pine Beauty; Lancaster (C Barnes)

Pebble Hook-tip (first here since 2004), Pebble Prominent, Flame Shoulder,
Lunar Marbled Brown (first here since 2003), Grey Pug; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Argyresthia trifasciata; Heysham (J Holding) - photo for what's about

Argyresthia trifasciata, Pale Mottled Willow, Angle Shades, Grey Birch, Garden
Carpet, Pebble Hook-tip; Flixton (K McCabe)

Green Carpet, Flame Carpet (3), V-Pug, Common Carpet (2), Pebble
Prominent; Worsley (I Walker)

7th May

Eyed Hawk Moth, Pale Prominent, Golden-rod Pug, White-spotted Pug, *Epinotia
tetraquetra*; Flixton (K McCabe)

Glyphipterix fuscoviridella; Flixton (K McCabe)

Square Spot, Scarce Prominent, Pale Tussock; Lords Lot Wood (J Girdley, P
Marsh)

Least Black Arches, Diamond-back Moth, *Caloptilia syringella*; Heysham (J
Holding)

6th May

Shuttle-shaped Dart, Small Phoenix, Flame Carpet; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

White-pinion Spotted; Silverdale (T Riden)

Emperor Moth, *Plutella xylostella*, *Glyphipterix haworthana*, *Neofaculta
ericetella*; Astley Moss (K McCabe, B Smart)

White Ermine, Yellow-barred Brindle; Flixton (K McCabe)

Red Chestnut, Herald; Rochdale (P Stevens)

Square Spot; Great Prominent, Lunar Thorn, Pale Prominent, Scorched Carpet,
Barred Tooth-striped, Nut-tree Tussock; Gait Barrows (S Palmer)

Barred Tooth-striped; Yealand Hall Allotments (B Hancock)

Early Grey (first record for garden); Wigan (G & B Wynn)

Lesser Swallow Prominent; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Dark Sword-grass, Nut-tree Tussock; Yealand Redmayne (S Stokes)

6th May (approx) Green Carpet, Common Carpet, May Highflyer, Muslin Moth,
Swallow Prominent; Leigh (D Wilson)

5th May

Diamond-back Moth; Heysham (J Holding)

Emperor Moths (many) flying in sunshine over moorland; Wardstone (D
Haywood, P Marsh)

Pale Prominent; Leigh (P Greenhalgh)

Common Pug, Common Wave, Spectacle, *Cydia ulicetana* (many round gorse),
Aspilapteryx tringipennella, *Ancylis badiana*; Flixton (K McCabe)

4th May

Silver Y; High Tatham (P Marsh)

Eriocrania subpurpurella, Cabbage Moth, Diamond-back Moth; Billinge (C
Darbyshire)

Striped Twin-spot Carpet, Brown Silver-lines (50), Herald; Baines Crag (J
Girdley, P Marsh)

Mompha subbistrigella; Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Diamond-back Moth; Preston (S Palmer)

Lesser Swallow Prominent, Grey Birch, Lunar Marbled Brown; Chorley area (E Langrish)

3rd May

Diamond-back Moth; Heysham (J Holding)

Square Spot; Dalton (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Adela reaumurella, *Tachystola acroxantha*; Flixton (K McCabe)

Flame Carpet; Worsley (I Walker)

Streamer; Hale (C Cockbain)

V-pug; Bee Moth, Rustic Shoulder-knot; Boothstown (I Walker)

V-pug; Adlington (P Krischkiw)

Small Phoenix; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Red Twin-spot Carpet; nr Wray (P Marsh)

Purple Thorn (20), Scarce Prominent, Waved Umber, Yellow-barred Brindle, Water Carpet; Dalton (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Scarce Prominent, Barred Umber (4), Purple Thorn (6), Small White Wave, Waved Umber, *Eriopsela quadrana* - 2 (not seen since 1995), V-pug, Scalloped Hazel, Pebble Hook-tip, Chinese Character, Lesser Swallow Prominent (2), Grey Birch, Streamer (2); Gait Barrows (B Hancock, S Palmer)

2nd May

Pale Tussock; Flixton (K McCabe)

March Moth (quite a late one); Warton (M Elsworth)

Waved Umber; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, Tom and Hazel Morbey-Ganley)

Oak-tree Pug; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Sloe Pug larvae (3); Warton Crag (B Hancock)

Striped Twin-spot Carpet, Tissue, Brown Silver-lines; Yealand Hall Allotments (B Hancock)

Caloptilia syringella; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Water Carpet (10), Purple Thorn (5), Least Black Arches, Streamer, Grey Birch, Pebble Prominent, Scalloped Hazel; Brock Bottom (A Barker, E Langrish)

Red Chestnut (2); Beacon Fell (E Langrish)

Lunar Marbled Brown, Shoulder Stripe, Early Thorn; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

1st May

Purple Thorn; Worsley (I Walker)

Bee Moth; Silverdale (P Bromilow per E Langrish)**30th April**

Belted Beauty - numbers continue to rise with more males about than over the last few weeks; Potts Corner (S Palmer)

29th April

Grey Birch, Purple Thorn, Lunar Marbled Brown; Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones et al)

Spectacle, Flame Shoulder; Flixton (K McCabe)

Pebble Prominent; Chorley (E Langrish)

Emperor Moth (2 males flying over moorland in sunshine); Cross of Greet (P Marsh)

28th April

Puss Moth; Widnes (P Hillyer)

Diamond-back Moth; Heysham (J Holding)

Flame Carpet, Early Tooth-striped; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock)

27th April

Scarce Prominent, Barred Tooth-striped, Pale Pinion, Water Carpet, Mottled Grey (a late one), Least Black Arches (5), Lunar Marbled Brown; Silverdale Moss (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Coleophora lusciniapennella, larval case on willow; Astley Moss (K McCabe)

26th April

Least Black Arches; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock)

Dark Sword Grass, Lunar Marbled Brown (2), Least Black Arches, Shoulder Stripe, Pebble Prominent, Early Thorn (7), Brindled Pug (2); Millhouses, Wray (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Twenty Plume Moth; Mill Leat (E Langrish)

Early Thorn; White Coppice (E Langrish)

Dotted Border (a late one), Shuttle-shaped Dart; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Muslin Moth, *Eriocrania subpurpurella*; *Epinotia immundana*; Lower Burgh Meadow (E Langrish)

25th April

Powdered Quaker; Sunderland (Hazel and Tom Morbey-Ganley)

Flame Carpet, Streamer; Preston (S Palmer)
Powdered Quaker; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)
Powdered Quaker (6); St Annes Dunes (Lancashire Moth Group)

Merveille du Jour larva at bore hole into Oak bud (E Langrish)

24th April

Psychoides verhuella bred from larva on Harts-tongue Fern; Dalton (C Darbyshire)

Water Carpet; Haweswater (P & A Palmer)

Oak-tree Pug, Satellite; Preston (A Powell)

23rd April

Muslin Moth; Flixton (K McCabe)

22nd April

Caloptilia elongella, *Agonopterix arenella*, *Agonopterix ocellana*, *Mompha*

sturnipennella, Red Chestnut; Flixton (K McCabe)

Streamer; Hutton (A Barker)

Streamer, Lunar Marbled Brown, Great Prominent, Powdered Quaker; Silverdale (T Riden)

Water Carpet (2) Brinscall (E Langrish)

The Belted Beauty numbers at Potts Corner are increasing now the warmer weather has arrived - a short search producing 13 females and 4 males (S Palmer)

Barred Tooth-striped, Shoulder Stripe (2), Least Black Arches, Lunar Marbled Brown, Grey Shoulder-knot, Red-green Carpet, *Eriocrania subpurpurella*, *Semioscopis steinkellneriana* (C Barnes, R Petley-Jones, S Palmer)

19th April

Early Tooth-striped (6), Brindled Pug, (4), Red Chestnut, Early Grey; Lower Burgh meadows (E Langrish)

17th April

Barred Tooth-striped (2); Silverdale (R Griffiths)

16th April

Merveille du Jour (larva) on Oak - emerged from overwintered eggs (E Langrish)

15th April

Glyphipterix haworthana bred from cottongrass spinings; Astley Moss 24/3/08 (K McCabe, B Smart)

14th April

Muslin Moth bred from larva on bramble; Flixton (J McCabe)

Grey Shoulder-knot; Leighton Moss (K Briggs)

13th April

Psychoides filicivora emerged pupal case on hart's-tongue fern in March;
Rixton (B Smart)

12th April

Twin-spotted Quaker (4), Early Toothed-striped (2), Pale Pinion; Lower Burgh Meadows. (E Langrish)

Caloptilia betulicola; Brinscall (E Langrish)

Satellite, Brindled Pug (7), Early Tooth-striped (5), *Diurnea fagella*; Brinscall (E Langrish)

11th April

Belted Beauty (10 female, 6 male) Potts Corner (S Palmer, S Whitehouse)

Early Tooth-striped, *Agonopterix ocellana* German Lane, Euxton

10th April

Roeslerstammia erxlebelli bred from larva found on Cherry 30.9.07; Chorlton (B Smart)

White-pinion Spotted, recently emerged resting on vegetation early morning, believed earliest county record; Flixton (K McCabe)

9th April

Ectoedemia septembrella (4) emerged from mines Perforated St. John's-wort collected 23/10/2007; Flixton (K McCabe)

8th April

Eriocrania subpurpurella (30+) flying around oak in sunshine, *Agonopterix arenella* disturbed from vegetation, *Coleophora paripennella* (3) larval cases on Knapweed; Flixton (K McCabe)

Pale Pinion; Silverdale (T Riden)

4th April

Early Tooth-striped; Worsley (I Walker)
Tawny Pinion; Pennington (P Alker)

Brindled Pug (2); Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Red Chestnut; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish) – new to site.

Psychoides filicivora bred from larvae on fern at Winstanley Park, near Wigan (C Darbyshire)

Angle Shades; Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Engrailed (3), Twin-Spotted Quaker (11), *Diurnea fagella* (7), Early Thorn (2), Early Tooth-striped; Spring Wood, Whalley (A Barker, E Langrish)

Angle Shades, Brindled Pug, Dotted Border, Double-striped Pug, Early Tooth-striped (2); Worsley (I Walker)

Shoulder Stripe, *Diurnea Fagella* (2), Pine Beauty; Euxton (E Langrish)

Red Chestnut, Pale Pinion; Rainford (A Cheney)

Red Sword Grass, Early Tooth-striped, Mottled Grey (5), Brindled Pug (5), Oak Beauty; Stair End Bridge (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Twin-spotted Quaker; Morecambe (J Girdley) - new garden record

2nd April

Oak Nycteoline; Lancaster (C Barnes)

Light Brown Apple Moth; Hale (C Cockbain)

Oak Nycteoline; Fulwood (A Powell)

Small Quaker (3), Common Quaker (3), Early Grey, Clouded Drab (2); Haweswater (A & P Palmer)

Diurnea fagella, *Agonopterix heracliana*, *Emmelina monodactyla*; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Oak Nycteoline (K McCabe)

Amblyptilia acanthadactyla, *Caloptilia elongella* (2), *Caloptilia stigmatella* (3); Preston (S Palmer)

Double-striped Pug, Tawny Pinion (2), Rainford (A Cheney)

Hebrew Character, Early Grey (2); Carnforth (D Bennett)

Water Carpet, Brindled Pug (2), *Diurnea fagella* (5); Leyland (A Barker, E Langrish)

1st April

Herald, Pale Pinion; Penwortham (E Langrish)

Blossom Underwing, Early Tooth-striped (2); Leighton Moss (C Barnes, J Beattie, S Palmer)