

## JUNE/JULY 2008 ARCHIVED WHAT'S ABOUT

### 31st July

Gold Spangle, Rosy Minor (2), Archers Dart, Purple Bar, Yellow-barred Brindle; St Annes (J Wardle)

*Mompha locupletella*; bred Chorlton (B Smart)

Olive; Heysham (J Girdley et al)

Confused, Clouded Magpie, Dingy Footman; Millhouses (P Marsh)

Dark Sword-grass (2), July Highflyer (dark moorland type); Morecambe (J Girdley)

*Calamotropha paludella*; Pennington (D Wilson) - also seen at Flixton (K McCabe) and Martin Mere (A Bunting) recently

### 30th July

Triple-spotted Pug (determined by genitalia dissection) - **the first proven record for Lancashire**; Preston (S Palmer)

Dingy Footman, Marsh Oblique-barred; Blackrod (P Pugh)

Dark Sword-grass (2); Preston (S Palmer)

*Bucculatrix nigricomella* (second brood); Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Yellow-tail (52), Slender Brindle (17); Millhouses (P Marsh)

### 29th July

Update on Eddie's Sallow Kitten larvae - all doing fine.

*Aspilapteryx tringipennella*; Heysham (J Holding) - **new to garden**

*Catoptria margaritella*, Dark Sword-grass; Bispham (B Brigden)

### 28th July

Broad-barred White, Grey Arches; Dalton VC59 (R Charles)

*Elachista triatomea*; Billinge (C Darbyshire) - new to garden

*Cameraria ohridella*, *Phyllonorycter sorbi*, *Stigmella trimaculella*, *Mompha raschkiella* recently bred by Ben Smart from the Chorlton area

*Pammene regiana*, *Pammene aurita*; Silverdale (T Riden)

Slender Brindle, Purple Thorn (3); Coppull (E Langrish)

Four-spotted Footman (2); Millhouses (P Marsh)

Scarce Silver-lines; Preston (A Powell)

Shark, Scalloped Hook-tip; Bispham (B Brigden)

### 27th July

Double Lobed, Dotted Clay, Slender Pug, Poplar Grey; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Blue-bordered Carpet; Feniscowles (W Aspin)

True Lover's Knot, Nutmeg; Rainford (A Cheney)

Barred Hook-tip, Four-spotted Footman; Silverdale (T Riden)

Muslin Footman (91); Millhouses (P Marsh)

### 26th July

*Pammene aurita*; Silverdale (T Riden) - **third record for VC60**

Dark Tussock; Ainsdale (A Bunting, D Tranter)

*Euzophera pinguis*, *Calamotropha paludella*; Martin Mere (A Bunting)

Small Ranunculus; Wavertree (L Threadgold per A Bunting)

Dark Sword-grass (2); Bispham (B Brigden)

Fen Wainscot; Carnforth (L Lyon per J Holding)

Gold Spangle; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, H & T Morbey-Ganly)

### 25th July

Least Carpet (2); Hale (C Cockbain) - **new to Lancashire**

Burnished Brass, Crescent (4), Scarce Silver-lines, Buff Footman, Light Arches (5); Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Phoenix, Herald; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Dingy Footman; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, H & T Morbey-Ganly)

### 24th July

*Diplopseustis perieresalis* confirmed by Martin Honey of BM (NH) London - **third record for Britain** (after Scilly Isles 2001 and Devon in 2007; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Cloaked Minor (8), Dun-bar (12), Antler (6), Slender Brindle (3), Narrow-winged Pug, Common Footman (20), Scarce Silver-lines, *Mompha propinquella*, *Cochylis dubitana*; Dalton VC59 (C Darbyshire)

True Lover's Knot (4); Lancaster (C Barnes)

True Lover's Knot; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Welsh Wave; Brinscall (E Langrish)

Miller; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Buff Footman (5); Lord's-lot Wood (J Girdley, P Marsh)

### 23rd July

Blackneck, Dingy Shears, Buff Footman, Chevron; Rainford (A Cheney)

Bordered Beauty; Hough Green (P Hillyer)

### 22nd July

Olive; Parbold (J Kilgour)

*Pammene aurita*; Worsley (I Walker)

Dark Spinach, *Ebulea crocealis*; Middleton (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Bordered Beauty, Dingy Footman (2); Heysham (R Neville et al)

*Plutella porrectella*; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, H & T Morbey-Ganly)

### 15th July

*Duponchelia fovealis*; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock) - **second record for VC60**

*Sitochroa palealis*; Gatewarth (J Clarke)

Mullein Wave; Leighton Moss (S Palmer et al)

### 14th July

Scarce Silver-lines; Atherton (K Brides)

Barred Carpet (2), Grey Arches (2), Dark Umber (7), Bleached Pug, Triple-spotted Clay, Annulet (3), Plain Wave, Buff Footman; Gait Barrows (S Palmer)

Lime Hawk Moth, Diamond-back Moth; Nether Kellett (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Garden Tiger; Worsley (Mrs Walker)

### 13th July

Blackneck (10); Flixton (K McCabe)

Cloaked Pug; Silverdale (T Riden) [*a second and different moth to last weeks - are they breeding locally?*]

Puss Moth larva; Bispham (C Raby)

*Yponomeuta malinellus*, Twin-spot Carpet, *Pammene regiana*; Morecambe (J Girdley)

*Tachystola acroxantha*; Torrisholme (A Draper) - **new to VC60**

Sallow Kitten larva - growing up; (E Langrish)

*Ancylis achatana* (new to garden), Garden Tiger; Hale (C Cockbain)

### 12th July

Double Lobed, Dingy Shears, Shoulder-striped Wainscot (38), Large Emerald, Sandy Carpet; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Treble Bar, *Cameraria ohridella* - leaf mine on Horse Chestnut; Hurst Park, Penwortham (S Palmer)

*Trachycera advenella*; Lancaster (C Barnes)

Southern Wainscot, Dark Umber, *Catoptria falsella*; Haweswater (A & P Palmer)

Garden Tiger; Flixton (K McCabe)

Barred Yellow, Silver Y (4), Antler Moth; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, T & H Morbey-Ganly)

Northern Spinach, Sandy Carpet, Purple Clay, Map-winged Swift, Muslin Footman (10); Halton (J Girdley, P Marsh)

### 11th July

July Highflyer; Worsley (I Walker)

### 10th July

*Choreutis pariana* - bred from Hawthorn; St Helens (B Smart)

Old Lady (3 to wine-rope); Penketh (J Clarke)

*Cryptoblabes bistriga*; Hale (C Cockbain)

Lesser Broad-bordered Yellow Underwing; Euxton (R Hoult)

Double Dart; Morecambe (J Girdley)

### 9th July

*Ypsolopa sequella*, *Ypsolopa parenthesesella*; Worsley (I Walker)

### 8th July

Dotted Clay, Scarce Silver-lines, Garden Tiger (first for two years), Herald to wine-rope; Penketh (J Clarke)

Green Carpet; Leighton Moss (K Briggs et al)

Early Thorn; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Haworth's Pug (2); Blackrod (P Pugh)

Burnished Brass, Light Arches; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey-Ganly, J Girdley)

### 7th July

Large Emerald; Worsley (I Walker)

*Athrips mouffetella*, *Epinotia cruciana*, Muslin Footman; Gait Barrows (C Barnes)

Green Arches, *Helcystogramma rufescens*; Wigan (B & G Wynn)

Gothic; Boothstown (I Walker)

*Cochylis roseana* bred from Teasel; Irlam (K McCabe)

*Ypsolopa nemorella*; Jack Scout (B Hancock) - **only fourth record in Lancs since 1987.**

Four-dotted Footman; Yealand Hall (B Hancock)

### 6th July

Spinach; Flixton (K McCabe)

Humming-bird Hawk-moth; Audenshaw (D Johnston)

Garden Tiger; Lancaster (C Barnes)

*Cydia fagiglandana*; Hale (C Cockbain) - fifth record for VC59

Drinker, *Olindia schumacherana*; Satin Beauty, Twin-spot Carpet, Barred Red; Lord's Lot Wood (J Girdley, P Marsh)

### 5th July

Small Ranunculus; West Derby, Liverpool (C Daly)

Common Emerald; Euxton (R Hoult)

*Cnephasia longana*; Warrington (J Clarke)

Diamond Back Moth, Blackneck (4), Green Arches, Plain Golden Y, Dark Spectacle, Figure of Eighty, Dingy Shears, Silver Y, Peach Blossom, Poplar Grey, *Adaina microdactyla*; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish et al)

*Pyralis farinalis*, *Pediasia aridella*; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, H&T Morbey-Ganly)

### 4th July

Pale Mottled Willow; Warton (M Elsworth)

Clouded Brindle, V Moth; Leighton Moss (K Briggs)

Cloaked Pug; Silverdale (T Riden) - **New to VC60**

White Satin (50+); Preston (J Beattie)

Swallow-tailed Moth; Preston (N Patel)

Buff Ermine; Bispham (C Raby)

Sallow Kitten larvae (E Langrish)

### 3rd July

Brown Scallop, Lesser Cream Wave; Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones)

July Highflyer; Coppull (E Langrish)

Small Yellow Wave; Martin Mere; (A Bunting)

Magpie Moth, Drinker; Preston (S Palmer)

Netted Pug; Blackrod (P Pugh)

### 2nd July

Magpie Moth, *Ancylis achatana*; Preston (A Bunting)

Marbled Beauty; Euxton (R Hoult)

Blackneck - new to garden; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Lilac Beauty, *Phalonidia curvistrigana*, Barred Red (2), Common Lutestring; Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones)

### 1st July

Barred Yellow, Poplar Grey; Boothstown (I Walker)

Large Emerald, Common Wainscot, Drinker, *Scoparia subfusca*; Dalton VC60 (S Palmer)

*Adaina microdactyla* (3), *Epinotia cruciana*, Short-cloaked Moth; Gait Barrows (S Palmer)

Dun-bar, Common Lutestring; Astley Village (E Langrish)

Uncertain, Single-dotted Wave, *Eudonia pallida*; Leighton Moss (K Briggs et al)

Dot Moth; Feniscowles; (W Aspin)

Barred Straw (19), Light Arches (14); *Hedya salicella*, *Phlyctaenia perlucidalis*; Moss House Farm (D Wilson)

Spinach; Leigh (D Wilson)**30th June**

Golden Plusia; Rainford (A Cheney)

Small Dotted Buff; Yealand Redmayne (S Stokes)

Plain Golden Y; Feniscowles; (W Aspin)

Mullein Wave; Silverdale (T Riden)  
Green Arches; Rochdale (P Stevens)

Haworth's Pug (10), Pretty Chalk Carpet (3), V-pug, Double striped pug - netted at dusk around Traveller's Joy; Jack Scout (B Hancock)

*Homoeosoma sinuella*; Martin Mere - new to the site (A Bunting)

### 29th June

Small Ranunculus; Hough Green, Widnes (P Hillyer) - **fourth county record**

### 28th June

Buff Arches, Lime-speck Pug, V-Pug, Common Rustic; Boothstown (I Walker)

Pinion Streaked Snout, Small Yellow Wave, Garden Pebble, Light Emerald (27); Lower Burgh Meadow (E Langrish)

Eyed Hawk-moth (4); Heysham (J Holding)

*Archips podana*, *Aleimma loeflingiana*, *Bryotropha domestica*; Parbold (J Kilgour)

Plain Golden Y, Common Wainscot; Hale (C Cockbain)

Dun-bar, Light Emerald (17); Preston (A Powell)

Heart and Club, Elephant Hawk-moth - **new to garden list**; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Light Emerald (12), Peach Blossom, Scorched Wing, Common Emerald, Poplar Hawk-moth (5), Purple Clay, *Coleophora deauratella*; Dalton VC59 (C Darbyshire)

### 27th June

Peach Blossom, Yellow Shell, Ghost Swift; King's Moss (C Darbyshire)

*Acrocercops brongniardella*, *Acleris notana*, *Carcina quercana*, *Helcystogramma rufescens* all bred; Chorlton (B Smart)

Blotched Emerald, Small Yellow Wave, Lychnis, *Tortrix viridana* (31); Worden Park (A Barker, E Langrish)

Plain Golden Y, Green Arches; German Lane (E Langrish)

Small Elephant Hawk -moth, Green Arches; White Coppice (E Langrish)

Light Arches; Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Common Emerald, Single-dotted Wave; Preston (S Palmer)

### 25th June

*Phlyctaenia coronata*; Wigan; (B & G Wynn)

Small Elephant Hawk-moth (2); Hesketh (I Kippax)

*Celypha striana* (new to garden); Hale (C Cockbain)

Double Dart; Heysham (J Girdley)

*Udea prunalis*; Lancaster (C Barnes)

Barred Straw, Garden Pebble; Sunderland Point (H&T Morbey-Ganly and J Girdley)

### 24th June

Ash Pug; Yealand Conyers (B Hancock) this species is apparently very uncommon in Lancashire.

Elephant Hawk-moth (20), Blackneck (10); Gatewarth, Warrington (J Clarke)

Sandy Carpet, Eyed Hawk-moth, Lime Hawk-moth, Garden Tiger, Miller, Light Arches, Knot-grass; Martin Mere (A Bunting)

Humming-bird Hawk-moth; Atherton (K Brides)

*Phycitodes maritima*; Bay Horse (N Rogers) - **this appears to be the first confirmed record for VC60**

Six-spot Burnet (300); Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Green Arches, Green Silver-lines, Dot Moth, Peach Blossom; Astley Village (E Langrish)

Dingy Shell, Dot Moth, Netted Pug, Grey Arches, Oblique Carpet, Muslin Footman (3); Leighton Moss (K Briggs et al)

Dingy Shears, Garden Tiger, Swallow-tailed Moth, Riband Wave; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Figure of Eighty; Boothstown (I Walker)

Beautiful Carpet, Clouded Brindle (2); Plain Wave (2), Common Footman, *Catoptria pinella*, *Pandemis cinnamomeana*; Gait Barrows (R Petley-Jones et al)

### **23rd June**

Barred Straw; Worsley (I Walker)

*Anania funebris*; Gait Barrows NNR (A Storey)

Small Dotted Buff, Muslin Footman, Purple Clay (3), Northern Spinach, Green Arches; Cold Park Wood (J Girdley)

Barred Yellow, *Stenoptilia millieridactyla* - third site in VC60; Silverdale (T Riden)

Swallow-tailed Moth; Lancaster (C Barnes)

### **21st June**

Puss Moth; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Grass Rivulet; Sunderland Point (H & T Morbey-Ganly, J Girdley)

### **20th June**

Green Arches; Oswaldtwistle (B Clegg)

*Coleophora prunifoliae* (bred from case on Blackthorn); Gait Barrows (S Palmer) - **New to Lancashire**

### **19th June**

Dingy Shears; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Blood-vein; Silverdale (T Riden)

### **17th June**

Double Lobed, Obscure Wainscot, Dog's-tooth; Leighton Moss (S Palmer et al)

Silver hook (6), Oblique Carpet; White Moss (B Hancock)

### **16th June**

*Hedya salicella*, *Dichrorampha alpinana*; Trafford Ecology Park (K McCabe)

*Spilonota ocellana* bred from Hawthorn; Chorlton (B Smart)

Wood Tiger (2); Longridge Fell (A Barker)

Garden Tiger (2); Morecambe (J Girdley)

### **14th June**

Green Arches; Coppull (E Langrish)

### **11th June**

*Apodia bifractella* (5) reared from Fleabane flower heads; Heysham (K McCabe)

### **10th June**

Silver Hook; nr Yealand Redmayne (B Hancock)

### **9th June**

Red-necked Footman; Warton Crag (J Newton)

Lime Hawk-moth, Purple Clay; Rainford (A Cheney)

Scorched Wing; Worsley and Pale-shouldered Brocade; Boothstown (I Walker)

### **8th June**

Figure of Eighty; Boothstown (I Walker)

Swallow Prominent; Bay Horse (N Rogers)

### **7th June - National Moth Day and Night**

See National Moth Night section

### **6th June**

Clouded Magpie (20+), Treble Lines, Square Spot; Dalton (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Silver Hook; Flixton (K McCabe) - **new species for site**

Obscure Wainscot; Haweswater (P&A Palmer)

Turnip Moth, Snout; Hale (C Cockbain)

Scorched Wing, Peach Blossom, Miller, Map-winged Swift, Beautiful Golden Y (2), Light Emerald, Oak Hook Tip: Lower Burgh Meadows (E Langrish)

Small Elephant Hawk-moth; White Coppice (E Langrish)

## 5th June

Seraphim; Preston (A Bunting)

Lesser Swallow Prominent, Poplar Hawk-moth; Rainford (A Cheney)

Ruby Tiger, *Tinea semifulvella*; Worsley (I Walker)

The Saxon; Haweswater (A & P Palmer) - **New to Lancashire**

Small Clouded Brindle, Dog's-tooth, Brown Rustic; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Hebrew Character; Oswaldtwistle (B Clegg) - **a very late record**

*Glyphipterix thrasonella*; Lancaster (C Barnes)

## 4th June

Currant Clearwing *attracted to pheromone lure*; Worsley (I Walker)

The Shears; Haweswater (A&P Palmer)

Beautiful Golden Y, Bloodvein (2); Flixton (K McCabe)

Dark Dagger - bred from larvae (B Smart) - this is the only reliable way of separating Dark and Grey Dagger without dissection of the adults.

## 4th June

Common Wainscot (4); Hale (C Cockbain)

## 3rd June

*Caloptilia alchimiella*; Gait Barrows (S Palmer) -

Clouded Magpie; Dalton (S Palmer)

Little Emerald (5), Gait Barrows (S Palmer, R Petley-Jones et al)

*Aleimma loeflingiana* (two colour forms, bred); Rixton (B Smart)

Puss Moth; last seen at Flixton in 2000 (K McCabe)

Rustic Shoulder-knot; Rochdale (P Stevens)

## 2nd June

Chimney Sweeper, Straw Dot (50+); Charnock Richard (A Barker, E Langrish)

Oblique Carpet, Sandy Carpet, Lychnis, Gold Spot; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, T & H Morbey-Ganly)

Small Yellow Wave, Foxglove Pug, Cream Wave, Beautiful Snout, Devon Carpet, Lunar Thorn, Alder Moth, Alder Kitten; Lord's Lot Wood (P Marsh et al)

Willow Beauty, Epinotia bilunana; Lostock Hall (R Hall)

Marsh Pug, Yellow Shell (2), Silver Y (6); Heysham NR (S Palmer)

*Hysterophora maculosana*; Bay Horse (N Rogers) - first since 2003 and only third record for VC60

Alder Moth, May Highflyer (19), Poplar Grey, Miller, Figure of 80; Preston (S Palmer)

Yellow Shell (2), Marsh Pug (very worn) Heysham NR (S Palmer)

## 1st June

Mottled Rustic, Lime Hawk-moth, Red-green Carpet (the over-wintering moths still hang on!); Wigan (B&G Wynn)

Devon Carpet (2); Lord's Lot Wood (J Girdley, P Marsh) - **NEW COUNTY RECORD**