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29th May

Broken-barred Carpet; Adlington (P Krischkiw)

Silver Y; Heysham (J Girdley)

28th May

Small Yellow Underwing; Bispham Marsh (B Brigden)

Silver Y; Dolphinholme (N Rogers)

Grapholita internana (New to VC59), Marsh Pug; Flixton (K McCabe)

27th May

Common Emerald bred from larva found on Raspberry bush; Newton-with-Scales (A Esslinger)

25th May

Heart and Club; Hale (C Cockbain)

Glaucous Shears; Prescott (M Edmundson)

24th May

Adela rufimitrella, on cuckoo flower head; Adlington (P Pugh)

Grass Rivulet, Silver Hook, *Opsibotys fuscalis*; Birkdale (J Clews, C Daly, R Moyes)

Gold Spot; Hale (C Cockbain)

Green Silver-lines; Preston (A Powell)

Knot Grass; Flixton (K McCabe)

23rd May

Sandy Carpet, Elephant Hawk-moth, White-spotted Pug, Shoulder-striped Wainscot; Martin Mere (A Bunting)

Alder Kitten; Middlewood (I Walker)

Treble Bar; Hale (C Cockbain)

Campion; Flixton (K McCabe)

22nd May

Grapholita lunulana, Small Yellow Underwing, Marsh Pug; Fleetwood Nature Park (B Dyson)

White-spotted Pug; Silverdale (S Palmer)

Coronet, Obscure Wainscot, Pale Prominent, Scorched Wing; Leighton Moss (J Girdley, S Palmer)

Ochreous Pug; Silverdale (S Palmer)

Alder Moth, Broom Moth, Foxglove Pug, Gold Swift,

22nd May (continued)

Peach Blossom, Small Rivulet; Astley Moss (G Riley, I Walker)

Brown Rustic, *Scoparia ambigualis*, Buff Ermine, Common Lutestring; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Opsibotys fuscalis; Ainsdale (P Alker)

Small Elephant Hawk-moth; Botton Head Farm (P Marsh)

Oak Hook-tip; Heysham (J Holding) - photo for what's about

21st May

Coleophora alcyonipennella new to Lancashire; Dolphinholme (N Rogers)

Alder Kitten, Small Angle Shades; Cadishead Moss (K McCabe)

Miller; Blackpool (P Barnes)

Blood-vein; Valley Farm (E Langrish)

Poplar Hawk; Preston (S Palmer)

Mottled Pug; Morecambe (A Draper)

Small Fan-foot; Flixton (K McCabe)

Purple Bar, *Tinea trinotella*, *Phyllonorycter stettinensis*, Sallow Kitten; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Bordered White, *Cydia coniferana*, *Blastesthia posticana*, *Coleophora alticolella*, *Lobesia abscisana*, Mother Shipton (3); Freshfield Dune Heath (G Jones, S Palmer)

Alder Moth; Leck Valley (J Girdley, P Marsh)

Dark Sword-grass, Marbled Coronet, Common Swift; Sunderland Point (J Girdley, T & H Morbey-Ganley)

Scorched Wing, Common Lutestring, Pale-shouldered Brocade; Botton Mill (J Girdley)

Lime-speck Pug; Hale (C Cockbain)

Purple Bar; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

20th May

Yellow-barred Brindle; Blackpool (P Barnes)

Cabbage Moth; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Green Carpet; Moss House Farm (D Wilson)

Dog's-tooth, Middle-barred Minor; Hale (C Cockbain)

19th May

Light Knot-grass (3), Fox Moth (3); Starkers Moor (P Marsh)

19th May (continued)

Dark Brocade (10), Striped Twin-spot Carpet (6), Red Twin-spot Carpet (3); Starkers Moor (P Marsh)

Freyer's Pug; Billinge (C Darbyshire)

Cinnabar, Buff-tip; Carnforth (D Bennett)

Snout, Silver Ground Carpet; Pennington (D Wilson)

Lime Hawk; Bispham (B Brigden)

Seraphim (2), Common Marbled Carpet; Preston (S Palmer)

Dingy Shell, Clouded Border; Flixton (K McCabe)

Marbled White Spot; Astley Moss (K McCabe)

18th May

Small Purple-barred, Mother Shipton; Woodvale (J Clews)

Cream Wave; Silverdale Moss (J Girdley) - recorders are reminded that this moth requires a photo for verification, particularly away from its north Lancashire stronghold - see Guidelines to Recorders on the moth group website

15th May

National Moth Night (NMN)

Below is a list of the species found and recorders who have contributed so far to NMN in Lancashire. An excel file with some more details has been placed in the Lancashire Moth Yahoo Group files area and, when more results are in, the final list will be placed in the NMN section on the group website. Thanks to all of the below for battling yet another atrocious NMN, probably the worst since it started. Many recorders found only a handful of moths in their traps if they were lucky and a few had no moths at all. Even those running a series of traps struggled with many species represented by just a single moth. The best part of the night was that with so many stalwarts running their light traps regardless of the cold, the combined list for the county comes to 85 different types of moth which is pretty impressive - well done to all.

<i>Micropterix tunbergella</i>	Pete Alker
<i>Nematopogon swammerdamella</i>	Bill Aspin
<i>Nematopogon schwarziellus</i>	Andy Barker
<i>Adela reaumurilla</i>	Colin Barnes
<i>Caloptilia syringella</i>	Mike Bloomfield
<i>Aspilapteryx tringipennella</i>	Roy Boydell
<i>Hofmannophila pseudospretella</i>	Barry Brigden
<i>Endrosis sarcitrella</i>	Chris Darbyshire
<i>Agonopterix arenella</i>	Tim and Janet Davie
<i>Scrobipalpa acuminatella</i>	John Donnelly
<i>Mompha subbistrigella</i>	Graham Gavaghan
<i>Cochylis atricapitana</i>	John Girdley
<i>Syndemis musculana</i>	Rick Hall
<i>Epiphyas postvittana</i>	Brian Hancock
<i>Cydia ulicetana</i>	Graham Jones
<i>Alucita hexadactyla</i>	Peter Krischkiw
<i>Aphomia sociella</i>	Dennis Lambert
<i>Emmelina monodactyla</i>	Eddie Langrish

Emperor Moth	Phil Mansfield
Pebble Hook-tip	Pete Marsh
Flame Carpet	Kevin McCabe
Dark-barred Twin-spot Carpet	Steve Palmer
Garden Carpet	Alan Powell
Shoulder Stripe	Steve Priestley
Water Carpet	Geoff Riley
Small Phoenix	Geoff Riley Snr.
Red-green Carpet	Nigel Rogers
Grey Pine Carpet	Archie Simpson
Spruce Carpet	Anne Smith
Broken-barred Carpet	Mike Sutcliffe
May Highflyer	Keith Taylor
Currant Pug	Ian Walker
Common Pug	Richard Walker
Brindled Pug	
Oak-tree Pug	
Dwarf Pug	
Double-striped Pug	
Small White Wave	
Early Tooth-striped	
Brown Silver-line	
Barred Umber	
Early Thorn	
Scalloped Hazel	
Peppered Moth	
Engrailed	
Square Spot	
Grey Birch	
Common Heath	
Common White Wave	
Common Wave	
White-pinion Spotted	
Clouded Silver	
Poplar Hawk-moth	
Iron Prominent	
Pebble Prominent	
Great Prominent	
Lesser Swallow Prominent	
Swallow Prominent	
Coxcomb Prominent	
Pale Prominent	
Lunar Marbled Brown	
Pale Tussock	
White Ermine	
Muslin Moth	
Least Black Arches	
Heart and Dart	
Shuttle-shaped Dart	
Flame Shoulder	
Small Square-spot	
Setaceous Hebrew Character	
Red Chestnut	
Bright-line Brown-eye	
Glaucous Shears	
Tawny Shears	
Powdered Quaker	
Common Quaker	
Clouded Drab	
Twin-spotted Quaker	
Hebrew Character	
Early Grey	
Dark Brocade	
Miller	
Rustic Shoulder-knot	
Nut-tree Tussock	
Spectacle	

11th May

Prolita sexpunctella, *Olethreutes schulziana*,
Epinotia tetraquetra, *Elachista kilmunella*,
Argyrotaenia ljugiana, *Argyresthia conjugella*
(form *aerariella* - all brown); Cockerham Moss
(S Palmer)

10th May

Sloe Pug, bred ex larva beat from Blackthorn;
Pennington Flash (P Pugh, D Wilson)

9th May

Anania funebris (2), *Epiblema costipunctana*,
Epiblema scutulana, *Eucosma aspidiscana*,
Incurvaria masculella; Warton Crag (J Girdley)

Small White Wave, Pale Prominent; Silverdale
Moss (J Girdley)

6th May

Scalloped Hazel;

5th May

Speckled Yellow (2); Warton Crag (R Miller)

Peppered Moth; Preston (S Palmer)

Common White Wave; Botton Mill (J Girdley, P
Marsh)

Small Square-spot; Sunderland Point (J
Girdley, H & T Morbey Ganley)

Dark Brocade, Glaucous Shears, Striped Twin-
spot Carpet; Cross of Greet (P Marsh)

Syndemis musculana; Roeburndale (J Girdley,
P Marsh)

2nd May

Belted Beauty larva (first instar); Potts Corner
(K Lawson)

1st May

Dark Sword-grass; Adlington (P Krischkiw)

Nut-tree Tussock; Yealand Conyers (B
Hancock)

Shuttle-shaped Dart; Morecambe (J Girdley)

Tawny Shears, Silver Y, Dog's-tooth;
Sunderland Point (J Girdley, T & H Morbey
Ganley)

30th April

Coxcomb Prominent; Dolphinholme (N
Rogers)

28th April

Scrobipalpa atriplicella (third county record);
Cadishead Moss (K McCabe)

24th April

Ocnerostoma friesei; Swinton (G Riley)

19th April

Puss Moth; Green Beach (D Miller)