## **New Forest Transect Group Newsletter 2020**

Week 25 saw higher species diversity than in Week 24. Total abundance for all transects was slightly down at 638 (of which over 50% were Speckled Wood), equating to a density of 5.27 butterflies per transect kilometre. The highest count of the week was at Mockbeggar (83), followed by Blashford North (61) and Blashford South (46).

Clouded Yellow, recorded on transect at Barton Common and at Mockbeggar, together with a Wall at Warren Farm, provided the highlights of the week. Broomy Plain and Claypits Bottom were the only two 'pure' heathland transects where butterflies were recorded.

**Results Week 25** (Preliminary counts subject to final verification) Count Count No of

0	ount	Species
Acres Down	5	4
Badminston	9	2
Ballard		4
Barton Common	18	7
Beaulieu Heath	0	0
Black Down	3	2
Blackwater	5	2
Blashford North	61	8
Blashford South	46	9
Breamore		4
Broadley	10	2
Brockishill	6	4
Broomy Plain		1
Claypits Bottom		3
Cloven Hill		6
Dibden Bottom		0
Dur Hill	0	0
I/d - still subject to lock	down.	

Species	Count	No of Routes
Speckled Wood	346	
Large White	73	17
Small White	62	19
Small Copper	52	13
Small Heath	20	13
Common Blue	17	9
Meadow Brown	15	4



Frohawk.....4 1 Furzey Gardens..... l/d Godshill .....4 3 2 Great Linford .....17 Hasley ......9 6 2 Hawkhill.....5 0 Hightown Common.....0 2 Holmsley.....15 0 lbsley.....0 Janesmoor......3 2 1 Janesmoor Plain......3 Keeping Marsh .....1 1 Kings Copse ......27 2 5 Lepe ......43 Little Linford .....11 4 Mockbeggar.....83 13

Fields Heath ......31

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	Red Admiral	13	1
	Brimstone	5	
	Peacock	4	
	Brown Argus	3	
	Holly Blue	3	
	Clouded Yellow		

Adders have remained active during the warmer weather so please be alert as you walk your transect. The forecast is not looking too good for our last week of transect recording this year, so please remember this is a team effort and if needed ask for help early rather than late.

## Moth Report: It is still possible to

see day flying moths in the last week of the transect season, so please keep an eye out. Last week Lesser Treble-bar were spotted on a couple of transects. Silver Y moths are still likely to be around and websites suggest that the male Vapourer could well be seen in our area at this time of year- will you be the first to spot one of these on one of our transects?



No of Species	Count	No of Species
6	Normandy Marsh10	2
1	Perrywood Ivy1	1
l/d	Pignal6	1
3	Pimlico Fields4	4
2	Pitts Wood10	4
6	Pondhead5	1
2	Pondhead Wood19	1
0	Rockford1	1
2	Roe North11	3
0	Roe South15	5
2	Roydon The Commons1	1
1	Southern Fields26	6
1	Standing Hat1	1
2	Studland Common	8
5	Vales Moor0	0
4	Warren Farm14	7
13	Wilverley Plain2	1

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6	Green-veined W	/hite2	2
0	Gatekeeper	2	2
5	Silver-studded E		1
3	Painted Lady	1	1
3	Small Tortoisesh	nell1	1
3	Wall	1	1
2	Grayling	1	1



## Week 25