

Big Butterfly Count

August 7th 2013

The table below shows the result of a 15 minute survey as part of the simple national survey run by Butterfly Conservation - results submitted. This is past the best time for butterflies as the marbled whites, ringlets and tortoiseshells seem to be over. Numbers of marbled whites were lower this year and they were only about for a short time. We have also seen holly blues, small and large skippers, red admirals

Butterfly	Number
Small white	40
Meadow brown	21
Gate keeper	12
Large white	1
Brimstone	4
Peacock	5
Green veined white	4
Common blue	2
Brown argus	1

All the peacocks and blues including the brown argus (a first for the IMG I think) were all seen in the wetland in field one on the teasles, watermint and watercress where some small whites, gatekeepers and meadow brownes were also recorded.

This shows another aspect of the value of this small wetland area.

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