

## Butterflies seen on the Millennium Green during Summer 2005

Can anyone add to these?

butterfy	when	comments
Brimstone	March, April, May	A few
Speckled Wood	May	A few;
Gatekeeper	August	Good numbers
Large White	July onwards	some
Small White	July onwards	some
Marbled White	July / August	Good numbers again
Meadow Brown	June / July	lots
Skipper (Small?)		A few
Red Admiral		A few
Blue (Holly)	April, May	A few
Orange Tip	April /May	Good number
Small Tortoiseshell	May	A few
Ringlet	July	A few
Green Veined White	May	some
Peacock	March, April	A few
Blue (Common)		A few
Small Copper		?
Painted Lady		?

(Range:- a few, some, good number, lots)

Full records of butterflies were not kept this year but all the species seen in earlier years (apart from Painted Ladies) were present. Marbled Whites appeared in good numbers again indicating that the grassland management regime is suiting them. Orange tips were plentiful in April / May and there were lots of meadow browns in June / July. My impression was that there were fewer Vanessaids (Peacocks, Tortoise Shells, Red Admirals) this year probably due to weather conditions rather than our management as we are leaving plenty of nettles ! Burnet moths did well again.