



Moth Trapping Report

Summary

Location:	Green Cross Cottage, South Garden (TQ3615)
Date:	19/02/2025
Trap(s):	MV Robinson Trap
Recorders(s):	Chris Chapman
Moth Count:	15
Species Count: (see notes)	8 New for Year: 4 New for Location: 0 Total new species for Location this Year: 0 Species Count for Year: 10 Species Total for Location: 439
Non-species Count:	2
Notable Record Count:	1

Full List

NFY = New Species For Year

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Acleris ferrugana/notana (Acleris ferrugana/notana)	1	Micro		
Agonopterix ciliella/heracliana (Agonopterix ciliella/heracliana)	3	Micro		
Chestnut (Conistra vaccinii)	2	Macro	Common (4,297)	Resident. The larvae feed on oak, elm and willow.
Clouded Drab (Orthosia incerta) NFY	1	Macro	Common (5,043)	A resident species generally well distributed. Single-brooded, flying mainly from late February to late May. Larvae feed on oak, willow, apple, white helleborine and hop.
Common Quaker (Orthosia cerasi)	1	Macro	Very Common (9,110)	A very common, resident species found in a wide range of habitats. Single-brooded, flying mainly from early February to late May. Larvae feed on birch, willow, oaks, lime, elm, bramble, rose, sweet chestnut, hawthorn and ash.
Grey Shoulder-knot (Lithophane ornitopus) NFY	1	Macro	Fairly Common (813)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.
Oak Beauty (Biston strataria) NFY	1	Macro	Common (1,926)	
Pale Brindled Beauty (Phigalia pilosaria)	3	Macro	Common (1,085)	Resident. Larvae feed on elm, hawthorn, hazel, oak and grey willow.
Small Quaker (Orthosia cruda) NFY	1	Macro	Common (4,821)	A common species associated with deciduous woods. Single-brooded, flying from mid-February to late April. Larvae feed on oak, silver birch, willow, lime and rose.
Spring Usher (Agriopis leucophaearia)	1	Macro	Fairly Common (582)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.

Notable Records

Species	Comment
Grey Shoulder-knot (<i>Lithophane ornitopus</i>)	Only the 5th time recorded at this location.

Images



Chestnut (*Conistra vaccinii*)



Clouded Drab (*Orthosia incerta*)



Common Quaker (*Orthosia cerasi*)



Grey Shoulder-knot (*Lithophane ornitopus*)



Oak Beauty (*Biston strataria*)

Notes

The numbers in the **Species Count** section of the **Summary** section only include moths that have been identified to species level.

You can see more details of each species from the [UK Moths website](#) by clicking on the name of the species. This doesn't apply to records at genus level or aggregates.

The Sussex Status is an **unofficial** indication of the likelihood of encountering the species in Sussex based on data sourced from the [Sussex Moth Group](#) website. The number in brackets is the minimum number of times the moth has been recorded in Sussex.

The species comments are primarily sourced from the excellent volumes of **A Revised History of the Butterflies and Moths of Sussex** by C R Pratt.

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