



Moth Trapping Report

Summary

Location:	Forgelle, Garden ()
Date:	22/05/2025
Trap(s):	MV Robinson Trap
Recorders(s):	Chris Chapman
Moth Count:	156
Species Count:	49
Non-species Count:	1

Full List

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Common Yellow Conch (<i>Agapeta hamana</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Common (3,496)	
Small Magpie (<i>Anania hortulata</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Common (5,720)	
Garden Tiger (<i>Arctia caja</i>) * NFY	3	Macro	Common (2,280)	
Flame (<i>Axylia putris</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (5,916)	
Common White Wave (<i>Cabera pusaria</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (3,249)	
Pale Tussock (<i>Calliteara pudibunda</i>) *	8	Macro	Common (3,596)	
Common Marble (<i>Celypha lacunana</i>) * NFY	5	Micro	Common (7,969)	
Barred Marble (<i>Celypha striana</i>) * NFY	2	Micro	Common (1,639)	
Orange-bar Grass-veneer (<i>Chrysocrambus linetella</i>) * NFY	1	Micro		
Green Carpet (<i>Colostygia pectinataria</i>) *	4	Macro	Common (4,229)	
Purple Bar (<i>Cosmorhoe ocellata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Fairly Common (947)	
Inlaid Grass-veneer (<i>Crambus pascuella</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Common (3,805)	
Maiden's Blush (<i>Cyclophora punctaria</i>) *	3	Macro	Common (3,783)	
Clouded Buff (<i>Diacrisia sannio</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Scarce (213)	
Muslin Moth (<i>Diaphora mendica</i>) *	1	Macro	Common (2,573)	A resident species. Males are widespread and usually occur sparingly in a wide range of habitats. Females are comparatively scarce and largely confined to woodland clearings, and are only seen flying by day. Single-brooded, flying mainly from early April
Small Square-spot (<i>Diarsia rubi</i>) * NFY	12	Macro	Common (6,293)	
Bird's Wing (<i>Dypterygia scabriuscula</i>) *	1	Macro	Scarce (389)	
Common Marbled Carpet (<i>Dysstroma truncata</i>) *	3	Macro	Common (4,382)	
Hoary Footman (<i>Eilema caniola</i>) * NFY	3	Macro	Fairly Common (875)	
Orange Footman (<i>Eilema sororcula</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Common (1,576)	Also <i>Wittia sororcula</i>
Black-headed Dwarf (<i>Elachista atricomella</i>)	4	Micro	Rare (76)	

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Marsh Grey (<i>Eudonia pallida</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Common (1,505)	
Foxglove Pug (<i>Eupithecia pulchellata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (1,378)	
Grey Pug (<i>Eupithecia subfuscata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Fairly Common (663)	
Snout (<i>Hypena proboscidalis</i>) * NFY	6	Macro	Very Common (10,265)	
Pale Oak Beauty (<i>Hypomecis punctinalis</i>) * NFY	4	Macro	Fairly Common (929)	
Satin Wave (<i>Idaea subsericeata</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Fairly Common (878)	
Bright-line Brown-eye (<i>Lacanobia oleracea</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Very Common (12,299)	
Red Piercer (<i>Lathronympha strigana</i>) * NFY	3	Micro	Scarce (360)	
Clouded Border (<i>Lomaspilis marginata</i>) * NFY	9	Macro	Common (7,447)	A resident species which is often a common visitor to mv light. It is probably generally distributed. It is single-brooded, flying mainly from mid May to late August. Larval foodplants include willow, grey willow, and sometimes aspen, hazel and birch.
White-pinion Spotted (<i>Lomographa bimaculata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Fairly Common (451)	
Clouded Silver (<i>Lomographa temerata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (3,150)	
Sharp-angled Peacock (<i>Macaria alternata</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (1,749)	
Buff Long-horn (<i>Nematopogon metaxella</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Fairly Common (419)	
Flame Shoulder (<i>Ochropleura plecta</i>) *	11	Macro	Abundant (17,105)	
Marbled Minor agg. (<i>Oligia strigilis</i> agg.) *	3	Macro		
Brimstone Moth (<i>Opisthograptis luteolata</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Abundant (17,349)	A common, resident species. Double brooded, flying from late April to mid July and then again from early August to early October. The larvae feed on hawthorn, apple, plum, hazel and sloe.
Dark Fruit-tree Tortrix (<i>Pandemis heparana</i>) * NFY	1	Micro	Common (2,434)	
Willow Beauty (<i>Peribatodes rhomboidaria</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Abundant (16,389)	
Great Prominent (<i>Peridea anceps</i>) *	2	Macro	Common (1,040)	Resident species. Single-brooded flying mainly from late April to mid-June. Larvae feed on oak.
Buff-tip (<i>Phalera bucephala</i>) *	1	Macro	Common (6,382)	
Scorched Wing (<i>Plagodis dolabraria</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (3,234)	
Coxcomb Prominent (<i>Ptilodon capucina</i>) *	1	Macro	Common (2,014)	A resident which occurs in a wide range of habitats. Well distributed but high numbers are local. Double-brooded, flying mainly from late April to mid June and again from early July to late August. Larvae feed on beech, hazel, oak, (silver) birch and sweet
Straw Dot (<i>Rivula sericealis</i>) * NFY	16	Macro	Very Common (9,167)	
White Ermine (<i>Spilosoma lubricipeda</i>) *	11	Macro	Common (7,635)	A resident and occasional immigrant. Previously single-brooded, flying from late April to mid July but, increasingly, from mid August to late September. Larvae feed on ivy flowers, dock, plantain, bindweed, hop, goosefoot and bedstraw
Buff Ermine (<i>Spilosoma lutea</i>) * NFY	8	Macro	Very Common (11,868)	Oreina uses <i>Spilarctia luteum</i>
Peach Blossom (<i>Thyatira batis</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (1,787)	
Blood-vein (<i>Timandra comae</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (5,613)	
Oak Hook-tip (<i>Watsonalla binaria</i>) * NFY	1	Macro	Common (3,183)	
Setaceous Hebrew Character (<i>Xestia c-nigrum</i>) * NFY	2	Macro	Abundant (17,834)	

Notes

An * by the name of the species indicates that the species has not been verified by the County Recorders yet. In total this applies to 50 records for this survey.

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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