



## Moth Trapping Report

### Summary

<b>Location:</b>	Green Cross Cottage, South Garden (TQ3615)
<b>Date:</b>	06/02/2026
<b>Trap(s):</b>	MV Robinson Trap
<b>Recorders(s):</b>	Chris Chapman
<b>Moth Count:</b>	17
<b>Species Count: (see notes)</b>	9 New for Year: 2 New for Location: 0 Total new species for Location this Year: 0 Species Count for Year: 11 Species Total for Location: 525
<b>Non-species Count:</b>	0
<b>Notable Record Count:</b>	2

### Full List

NFY = New Species For Year

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Chestnut ( <i>Conistra vaccinii</i> )	2	Macro	Common (4,297)	Resident. The larvae feed on oak, elm and willow.
Dotted Border ( <i>Agriopsis marginaria</i> )	2	Macro	Common (1,153)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak, hawthorn, hazel, willow and birch.
Early Moth ( <i>Theria primaria</i> )	4	Macro	Fairly Common (432)	Resident. Larvae feed on hawthorn and sloe.
Hebrew Character ( <i>Orthosia gothica</i> )	1	Macro	Very Common (10,295)	A very common species. Single-brooded and flies mainly from early March to early June. Larvae feed on a large range of trees, shrubs and low-growing plants.
Pale Brindled Beauty ( <i>Phigalia pilosaria</i> )	1	Macro	Common (1,085)	Resident. Larvae feed on elm, hawthorn, hazel, oak and grey willow.
Small Brindled Beauty ( <i>Apocheima hispidaria</i> ) <sup>NFY</sup>	3	Macro	Fairly Common (548)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.
Small Quaker ( <i>Orthosia cruda</i> ) <sup>NFY</sup>	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 ( <i>Agriopsis leucophaearia</i> )	2	Macro	Fairly Common (582)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.
Winter Shade ( <i>Tortricodes alternella</i> )	1	Micro	Fairly Common (531)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.

## Notable Records

Species	Comment
Early Moth ( <i>Theria primaria</i> )	4 is now the highest number recorded during a single survey at this location. The previous highest count was 1.
Small Brindled Beauty ( <i>Apocheima hispidaria</i> )	3 is now the highest number recorded during a single survey at this location. The previous highest count was 2.

## Images



Chestnut (*Conistra vaccinii*)



Dotted Border (*Agriopis marginaria*)



Early Moth (*Theria primaria*)



Small Brindled Beauty (*Apocheima hispidaria*)



Small Quaker (*Orthosia cruda*)



Spring Usher (*Agriopsis leucophaearia*)



Winter Shade (*Tortricodes alternella*)

## 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.

For further details of the records see [Green Cross Nature](#)

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