



**Essex Field Club      Colchester Natural History Society**

**A Brief Revue of 1997**

The weather, especially the mild winter, dry spring and poor conditions for migration, had some notable affects during the year. The Painted Lady was scarce and there were no records for the migrant Rush Veneer. Both were so common during 1996. Residents such as The Drinker, Garden Tiger and the *Ennomos* thorns were at low level but others, such as Pale Oak Beauty and Treble Lines fared well. Early and/or extended emergences were commonplace. Fortunes of certain closely related moths varied, and it was interesting to speculate why some species succeeded whilst others struggled. For example, impressions were that **Common Footman** *Eilema lurideola* was abundant whilst **Scarce Footman** *E. complana* almost lived up to its English name; and differences between **Common Wainscot** *Mythimna pallens* and **Smoky Wainscots** *M. impura* were widely noted. Precise data was fleeting but the following stations yielded:

	<b>Mashbury</b>	<b>Writtle</b>	<b>Langenhoe</b>	<b>Mistley</b>	<b>Dovercourt</b>	<b>North Chingford</b>
<b>E. lurideola</b>	42	101	34	97	156	45
<b>E. complana</b>	1	0	31	12	48	41
<b>M. pallens</b>	678	98	76	25	1,533	64
<b>M. impura</b>	12	0	17	2	198	29

Please let me know of any alterations/omissions to the list below. The full review of the year will appear in the Essex Field Club's journal. To save space I have favoured common names for macros.

- 0151 *Adela croesella* Mistley, 26 May (I. Rose).
- 0171 **Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet** New colonies noted at Ingatestone, 29 June (G. Smith); Jaywick (J. Young); and possibly one at Langenhoe, which is to be further investigated (H. Owen).
- 0174 **Festoon** Layer Marney, 6 July at least 12 (J. Firmin *et al*).
- 0245 *Tinea pallescentella* Jaywick, October 1997 (J. Young). Following a brief chase, captured after dismantling bathroom scales.
- 0370 **Hornet Moth** Layer Marney, 6 July (J. Firmin *et al*).
- 0374 **Yellow-legged Clearwing** Danbury, 5 August (S.D. Wood).
- 0379 **Red-belted Clearwing** Alresford, 10 August (R. Cottrill).
- 0389 *Choreutis pariana* Dovercourt, 11 and 16 July (C. Gibson).
- 0407a *Argyresthia cupressella* Harwich, 1 July (A.M. Emmet and D.J.L. Agassiz). **New to Essex.**
- 0431 *Yponomeuta sedella* Elmstead Market, 27 September (B. Goodey). Larval webs on *Sedum* sp.
- 0458 *Ypsolopha alpella* Colchester, 11 August (B. Goodey).
- 0473 *Acrolepiosis assectella* Dovercourt, 12 June, 21 July and 6 August (C. Gibson). A pest species.
- 0520 *Coleophora fuscicornis* Old Hall Marsh, Tollesbury, 17 May (B. Goodey). Five adults.
- 0693 *Agonopterix putridella* Dovercourt, larval web on *Peucedanum* in his garden (C. Gibson).
- 0696 *Agonopterix propinquella* Dovercourt, August (C. Gibson); Saffron Walden, 18 May (A.M. Emmet).
- 0720 *Ethmia bipunctella* Stour Wood, Wrabness, 1 August (M. Shardlow).
- 0740 *Monochroa hornigi* Saffron Walden, 5 June (A.M. Emmet).
- 0760 *Exoteleia dodecella* Colchester, 6 July (B. Goodey).
- 0843 *Approaerema anthyllidella* Saffron Walden, 24 August (A.M. Emmet).
- 0974 *Argyrotaenia ljugiana* Increase in range and density. New sites at Dovercourt, Kirby-le-Soken and Jaywick.
- 1204 *Thiodia citrana* Earls Colne, 3 July (D. Warner); Jaywick, July (J. Young).
- 1222 *Strophedra nitidana* Friday Wood, Colchester, 26 July (B. Goodey).
- 1269 *Cydia conicolana* Saffron Walden, June (A.M. Emmet). Third record from this site.
- 1272 *Cydia aurana* Daws Hall, Lamarsh, 4 July (N. Cuming).
- 1323 *Pediasia contaminella* Friday Wood, Colchester, 26 July (B. Goodey).
- 1324 *Pediasia aridella* Colne Point N.R., 9 August (J. Clifton *et al*); Dovercourt, August (C. Gibson).
- [1327 *Ancylolomia tentaculella* Bradwell-on-Sea, 2 August 1996 (S.F.J. Dewick). **New to Essex.**]
- 1368 *Margaritita sticticalis* Bradwell-on-Sea, five: 7 (two), 8, 9 and 11 August (A.J. Dewick); Saffron Walden, 15 August (A.M. Emmet); Maldon, 10 August (S.D. Wood).
- 1370 *Sitochroa palealis* St Osyth, 28 July and 7 August (R.W. Arthur); Dovercourt, 14 July (C. Gibson); Kirby-le-Soken, 31 July (P. Bergdahl); East Mersea, 15 July (J. Firmin).
- 1375 *Ostrinia nubilalis* Dovercourt, June to August, thirty-eight recorded during the year (C. Gibson).
- 1408 *Palpita unionalis* Bradwell, 27 May and 30 September (A.J. Dewick); Dovercourt, 2 and 4 July (C. Gibson).
- ???? *Duponchelia fovealis* Kirby-le-Soken, September 1997 (P. Bergdahl det.: B. Goodey). **New to Essex**; second British specimen.
- 1426 *Achroia grisella* Possibly increasing. Reported this year from St Osyth, 17 August and 7 September (R.W. Arthur); Saffron Walden, 16 August (A.M. Emmet); Beaumont-cum-Moze, June (J.B. Fisher); St Osyth, 17 August (R.W. Arthur); Kirby-le-Soken, 16 August (P. Bergdahl).
- 1433 *Cryptoblabes bistriga* Kirby-le-Soken, 16 August (P. Bergdahl).
- 1438 *Numonia suavella* Jaywick, 3 in August (J. Young); Saffron Walden, 8 June (A.M. Emmet); Dovercourt, July (C. Gibson).
- 1443 *Pempelia genistella* Larva on *Ulex* at Little Oakley, Tiptree Heath and Landermere during May (C. Gibson).
- 1454 *Dioryctria abietella* At Jaywick J. Young noted a possible immigration during August, recording 25 - 30. There were other reports during this month from as far afield as Saffron Walden, Coggeshall and Ingatestone.
- 1464 *Gymnanclya canella* Jaywick, 30 June (J. Young); Kirby-le-Soken, July (P. Bergdahl).

1469 **Euzophera cinerosella** Frinton-on-Sea, 16 July (B. Lock); Beaumont-cum-Moze, 10 July (J.B. Fisher); Dovercourt, 22 July (C. Gibson); St Osyth, 22 July (R.W. Arthur).

1488 **Agdistis bennettii** Saffron Walden, 11 August (A.M. Emmet). Third record from this inland site.

1496 **Cnaemidophus rhododactyla** Friday Wood, Colchester, 26 July at mv (A. Prichard and B. Goodey).

1545 **Clouded Yellow** Dengie, two in August 1997 (G. Smith); Mistley, three 16 August (I. Rose); Colchester, 14 August (N. Raynor); Little Baddow, one in September (J. Howchin *per* G.A. Pyman).

1591 **Painted Lady** Alresford, three 13 August (B. Goodey); Langenhoe, 16 June (H. Owen); Colchester, 17 June (B. Goodey); Dovercourt, one in June and September (C. Gibson); East Tilbury, 17 May (G. Bailey); Hadleigh C.P., 10 June (G. Bailey); Langdon N.R., two 15 August (G. Bailey); Bradwell-on-Sea, only three were noted compared with last year's many thousands.

1601 **Pearl-bordered Fritillary** Little Baddow, May (Mr and Mrs Palmer *per* G.A. Pyman) at the site of the reintroduction four years ago.

1603 **Queen of Spain Fritillary** Little Oakley, 18 October (G. Slater and P. Smith).

1607 **Dark Green Fritillary** Little Baddow churchyard, 7 August (G.A. Pyman).

1608 **Silver-washed Fritillary** Jaywick, 30 July (J. Young).

1615 **Wall** Recorded from 15 localities during May - September: Benfleet, Bulphan, Canvey Island, Coggeshall, Colchester, Dengie, Dovercourt, East Tilbury, Foulness, Grays, Linford, Southminster, Stanford-le-Hope, Tollesbury and West Bergholt. These usually involved single adults.

1620 **Marbled White** Astonishing success at Canvey Island - 660 were seen on the sea defences on 14 July alone where G. Bailey has been monitoring numbers. Another notable site was at Hadleigh Castle C.P., where 120 were counted on 13 July. Grahame reports nine other sites where the butterfly was seen, mostly in ones or twos.

1677 **Birch Mocha** Earls Colne, 16 August (D. Warner).

1688 **Tawny Wave** Stour Wood, 1 August (M. Shardlow and P. Smith); Copperas Wood, 7 August (P. Smith).

1720 **Gem** Reported from four sites: Dovercourt, three during September (C. Gibson); Bradwell-on-Sea (A.J. Dewick); St Osyth, 27 September and 8 October (R.W. Arthur); and Maldon, 6 June (S.D. Wood).

1739 **Wood Carpet** Theydon Bois, 3 August (J.G. Green).

1760 **Red-green Carpet** Copperas Wood, Ramsey, 18 October (P. Smith); North Chingford, 18 October (B. Pateman and J.G. Green); Thundersley, 6 November (D.G. Down); Theydon Bois, 31 August (J.G. Green).

1771 **Juniper Carpet** Thundersley, 11 recorded from 19 to 27 October (D.G. Down). Also reported from Saffron Walden, 17 October (A.M. Emmet) and St Osyth, 25 September (R.W. Arthur).

1792 **Dark Umber** North Chingford, 16 July (B. Pateman); Saffron Walden, 15 July (A.M. Emmet).

1796 **Pale November Moth** Saffron Walden, 21 November (A.M. Emmet).

1841 **Yarrow Pug** Dovercourt, May and July (C. Gibson); Jaywick, 29 July (J. Young).

1881 **Early Tooth-striped** Beaumont-cum-Moze, one during April (J.B. Fisher).

1885 **Clouded Magpie** St Osyth, 21 July (R.W. Arthur); Friday Wood, Colchester, two 26 July (B. Goodey); Writtle, 28 June (M. Green).

1894 **Latticed Heath** Had its best year ever. A massive emergence/migration in late August was noted along the northeast Essex coast. Several recorders had counts above 1000 per night in their traps (Reg Arthur totalled 10,000 at St Osyth); Graham Smith estimated 8,000 - 10,000 in a single lucerne field at Dengie on 21 August and Don Down found hundreds of larvae in different stages of development on 23 August at a lucerne field near Latchingdon.

1918 **Lunar Thorn** Jaywick, 17 June (J. Young); St Osyth, 4 June (R.W. Arthur).

1937a **Feathered Beauty** Kirby-le-Soken, 27 July (P. Bergdahl). Second Essex record.

1943 **Great Oak Beauty** North Chingford, 16 June (B. Pateman); Theydon Bois, 1 June (J.G. Green).

1972 **Convolvulus Hawk-moth** Ingatestone, larva October (G. Smith); Dovercourt, September (C. Gibson); Clacton-on-Sea, 7 August (I. Fox); Colchester, 22 August (N. Cuming); Mersea Island, 4 September (D. Nichols *per* J. Firmin); Bulmer, 11 September (B. Perkins); Bradwell-on-Sea, 11 this year (A.J. Dewick); Debden Green, 7 August (R. Mays).

1973 **Death's-head Hawk-moth** Wimbish and Thaxted, larvae October (R. Mays).

1976 **Privet Hawk-moth** Mashbury, ten; Lawford, 13; Debden Green, 15; and Dovercourt, 46 are the highest numbers reported from single sites this year.

1978 **Pine Hawk-moth** Wrabness, larva 2 September (*per* I. Rose). First Essex breeding record. See photo.

1983 **Broad-bordered Bee Hawk-moth** Wrabness, total of six larvae on *Lonicera*, from 25 June (C. Gibson).

1984 **Humming-bird Hawk-moth** Brentwood, 29 June (Mr and Mrs B Wilkens).

1987 **Bedstraw Hawk-moth** Daws Hall N.R., Lamarsh, 17 July (I. Grahame).

1992 **Small Elephant Hawk-moth** Jaywick, 12 June (J. Young).

2040 **Four-dotted Footman** Theydon Bois, four in total, on 15 June, 6 July (two) and 13 July (J.G. Green).

2041 **Dotted Footman** Beaumont-cum-Moze, 8 August (J.B. Fisher).

2046 **Dungeness Pigmy Footman** ssp. *pallifrons* Tollesbury, 18 July (J. Firmin *et al*). First record for subspecies.

2057 **Garden Tiger** Rather scarce but emerged over a long period, the first being noted at Jaywick on 18 June.

2058 **Cream-spot Tiger** Old Hall Marsh N.R., 11 June at least 25 adults at mv (J. Firmin, D. Warner, N. Cuming).

2062 **Water Ermine** Frinton-on-Sea, 26 May (B. Lock); Dovercourt, three in May and June (C. Gibson).

2083 **Coast Dart** St Osyth, 2 and 6 August (R.W. Arthur).

2087 **Turnip Moth** Very common at St Osyth, recorded in all months from May to October (R.W. Arthur).

2105 **Dotted Rustic** Ingatestone (G. Smith); Dovercourt, July (C. Gibson).

2113 **Stout Dart** Galleywood, 21 August (B. Churcher).

2136 **Gothic** Writtle, 5 July (M. Green); Saffron Walden, 22 July (A.M. Emmet); North Chingford, August (B. Pateman).

2137 **Great Brocade** Bradwell-on-Sea, 22 July (A.J. Dewick). Adult on buddleia flowers.

2152 **White Colon** St Osyth, 7 June (R.W. Arthur); Little Oakley, 26 May (G. Slater).

2184 **Northern Drab** Bradwell-on-Sea, 21 April (G. Smith); St Osyth, 10 May (R.W. Arthur); Dovercourt, April (C. Gibson).

2194 **White-point** Jaywick, 13 June and 18 July (J. Young); Bradwell-on-Sea (A.J. Dewick), Theydon Bois, 7 July (J.G. Green); St Osyth, 16 August (R.W. Arthur); Dovercourt, 13 June (C. Gibson).

2196 **Striped Wainscot** Frinton-on-Sea, 16 July (B. Lock).

2204 **Obscure Wainscot** Jaywick, 29 June (J. Young); Old Hall Marsh, 18 July (J. Firmin *et al*); St Osyth, 30 June (R.W. Arthur); Daws Hall N.R., Lamarsh, July (I. Grahame).

2208 **Cosmopolitan** Bradwell, 31 August (A.J. Dewick).

2230 **Feathered Brindle** Dovercourt, 2 October (P. Smith); Dovercourt (in garden), two in September (C. Gibson).

2275 **Dusky-lemon Sallow** Copperas Wood, 3 October (P. Smith); Saffron Walden, 1 October (A.M. Emmet); St Osyth, five (R.W. Arthur); Thundersley, 2 August (D.G. Down). Theydon Bois, 21 September (J.G. Green); Dovercourt, September (C. Gibson). An exceptional year.

2276 **Pale-lemon Sallow** Daws Hall N.R., 3 October (I. Grahame); St Osyth, two on 24 September (R.W. Arthur).

2295 **Marbled Green** Kirby-le-Soken, two on 10 and 11 August (P. Bergdahl).

2299 **Mouse Moth** Jaywick, 29 June (J. Young). An early date.

2300 **Old Lady** Many reports, especially in garden at dusk. The moth obviously enjoyed conditions this year.

2317 **White-spotted Pinion** Saffron Walden, 8 August (A.M. Emmet). First Essex record since 1985.

2321 **Dark Arches** North Chingford, April (B. Pateman); Jaywick, 25 September (J. Young). First and last dates of a very protracted emergence.

2338 **Rufous Minor** Colchester, 3 August (J. Aird, specimen dissected by B. Goodey).  
 2365 **Fisher's Estuarine Moth** Hamford Water, four on 11 September, nine on 25 September, one on 7 October (R.W. Arthur, J. Clifton, J. Firmin, C. Gibson and I. Rose).  
 2399 **Bordered Sallow** Jaywick, 17 July (J. Young); Saffron Walden, 18 July (A.M. Emmet).  
 2428 **Golden Twin-spot** Jaywick, 25 September a male sitting on side of bungalow (J. Young); Thundersley, 24 September (D.G. Down); Bradwell-on-Sea, 6 June (A.J. Dewick). Best year since 1990.  
 2436 **Dewick's Plusia** Bradwell-on-Sea, 1 October (A.J. Dewick). Adult on buddleia during day.  
 2441 **Silver Y** St Osyth, noted April to October, with peak numbers in August with 25 in one night; Bradwell-on Sea, 959 recorded in the year (A.J. Dewick). In general, a very poor year for the species.  
 2465 **Four-spotted** Layer Marney, 6 July (J. Firmin *et al*); Bradwell St Peters, 20 July (G. Smith); Daws Hall, Lamarsh, July (I. Grahame); Witham, 11 June (R. Gerussi). A splendid year for the moth. See photo.  
 2480 **Buttomed Snout** Daws Hall N.R., Lamarsh, 25 October (I. Grahame and B. Goodey); Writtle, 3 May (M. Green); Earls Colne, 17 May (D. Warner); North Chingford, two on 7 June (B. Pateman); Dovercourt, four in September (C. Gibson).  
 2484 **Pinion-streaked Snout** Dovercourt, 25 August (C. Gibson).



Four-spotted, Bradwell St Peters 20 July. (Photo courtesy of Graham Smith)



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 Lime Hawk-moth, larva at Wrabness, 2 September. (Photo courtesy of Ian Rose)

**Special study of the Bright Wave**

There is an interesting note in Dr. Paul Waring's regular moths report in the October 1997 edition of the journal *British Wildlife* to the study in progress of the distribution and life history of *Idaea ochrata*, the Bright Wave. Although there was a colony of this species at Colne Point N.R. first noted by myself and Paul Betts in the mid-1950s, none has been seen since 1985 despite a number of searches. There used to be a colony between Aldeburgh and Thorpeness on the Suffolk coast and this has apparently disappeared. Three populations remain on the Kent coast between Walmer and Sandwich in sand hills. *Ochrata* is now a Red Data Book species and Paul Waring is investigating its habitat and footplant preferences as part of the National Recording Network for the Rarer British macro-moths. Larvae from Kent are being reared by Paul and the preferred foodplants seem to be lesser stitchwort and the flowers of black medick. Flowers of clover have also been accepted. There will be further searches for larvae and imagines in the Kent localities in 1998. In Essex we will again check the Colne Point site and investigate possible sites at Great Oakley and Dovercourt. *Joe Firmin.*

**The Colour Identification Guide to Caterpillars of the British Isles by Jim Porter. Viking.**

Designed as a companion to Bernard Skinner's *Colour Identification Guide to Moths of the British Isles*, this volume provides us with a much-needed work. Illustrations are by photographs which range from rather dull to excellent and these are backed by descriptions, foodplants, habits and distribution. Possibly of limited use as an aid for identifying randomly found and out of context species, this book will be more valuable for specific targets, such as recording pugs. Priced at around £40-45, this is a 'must' buy.

**The Butterflies of Essex by David Corke. Lopinga Books** (in association with Essex Wildlife Trust, Butterfly Conservation and The Environment Agency). Hardback 208p with 20 pages of colour plates.

There have been several publications dealing with the butterflies of Essex, from the pioneering work of Edward Fitch, through Harwood and Firmin *et al.* to the authoritative work of Maitland Emmet *et al.* for the Essex Field Club. The present work is the first book to be devoted solely to Essex butterflies, albeit with a checklist of all the Essex Lepidoptera in the form of an appendix by Brian Goodey. It is a pity that despite acknowledging these earlier works, *The Butterflies of Essex* does not always fully exploit the rich legacy of information that they contain.

One of the stated purposes of the book is to provide, for the first time, a tetrad distribution map for each species of Essex butterfly. The bulk of the data was gathered by over 500 recorders (including many members of the Moth Group) who maintained detailed records of the butterflies in their gardens or selected habitats in the Essex countryside. For the commoner species a map is provided giving records for the garden survey (1990 - 1997) and for some of the scarcer or extinct species historic records are mapped. It is these maps, together with species accounts that form the bulk of the work.

There are topical chapters on monitoring, behaviour, decline, conservation and reestablishment. The inclusion of the information on the status of butterflies from neighbouring European countries is also welcome. The colour plate section features the work of several individuals, and the photographs are mostly of a high standard.

Brian Goodey's checklist of Essex Lepidoptera crams a lot of information into one chapter and should prove a useful reference. It appears to follow the so-called 'Australian list' which includes the browns in the Nymphalidae, departing in this and in other ways, from the classification used in the main body of the book.

It is with the distribution maps that my main criticism lies, they are neither comprehensive current/historic distribution maps or maps detailing the results of the survey, instead falling midway between the two. The maps for the scarcer species do not include all published historic records. For example, the map for white admiral shows it as having occurred in 20 10km squares (all date classes by inference from tetrads), whereas the map in Emmet *et al.* shows it to have been recorded at various times in 31 10km squares in the County! No explanation is offered for these differences, which one suspects may be due to difficulty in converting the older records to the tetrad format.

Whilst this is a book most Moth Group members will feel almost obliged to have on their shelves, a number of typographic errors, including one of the main species headings, give the impression that publication was perhaps rushed and that *The Butterflies of Essex* may have benefited from lying over for another year or two!  
*Jerry Bowdrey, January 1998*

**Anglian Lepidoptera Supplies**

EMG member Jon Clifton has recently launched the above to compete with established firms. Look out for adverts in future entomological periodicals. If you need anything from pins to generators or chemicals to cabinets, give Jon a ring on 01263 862068.

**Provisional Programme for 1998** *We have been informed of the following events:*

9 May	Daws Hall, Lamarsh. (Contact: Major I. Grahame)
16 May	Cudmore Grove C.P., East Mersea. (Contact: D. Urquhart/B. Goodey)
23 May	Marks Hall, Coggeshall. (Contact: J. Firmin)
31 May	<i>Coleophora fuscicornis</i> search at various sites. (Contact: B. Goodey)
6 June	Hitchcock Meadows N.R. - Search for Rosy Marbled. (Contact: G.A. Pyman)
13 June	Day-time search for clearwings. (Contact: B. Goodey)
13 June	Colne Point N.R., Search for Scarce Pug. (Contact: R.W. Arthur)
25 July	Colne Point N.R., Search for Scarce Pug and Bright Wave. (Contact: R.W. Arthur)
1 August	Fingringhoe Wick Ranges (Contact: B. Goodey)
8 August	Marks Hall, Coggeshall (Contact: J. Firmin)
22 August	Beth Chatto Nursery, Elmstead Market (to be confirmed).
29 August	Cudmore Grove C.P., East Mersea. (Contact: D. Urquhart/B. Goodey)
5 September	Old Hall Marsh N.R., Scarce Pug larvae and micros with Maitland Emmet. (Contact: B. Goodey)
19 September	County Moth Night
26 September	Fingringhoe Wick Ranges. (Contact: B. Goodey)

Sawbridgeworth Marsh N.R., near Bishops Stortford - recording on the first Sunday of every month, from 10.00am onwards. Some sessions with mv light on the night before. Contact Colin Plant on 01279 507697 for more details.

**Recording update**

20, 000 records have now been entered into the county database, including a valuable 1,900 from members of the Bishop's Stortford Natural History Society, thanks to Charles Watson and Colin Plant. Selected records have been sent to Bernard Skinner, the National Migrant Recorder, David Agassiz for the National Microlepidoptera Review, and Tony Davis who runs the Pyralid and Plume Recording Scheme. When supplying records, please clearly mark any you wish to remain 'secret'.

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**Next Newsletter** - April. Please continue to send records, notes of successful nights, comments, questions or anything of interest. Brian.