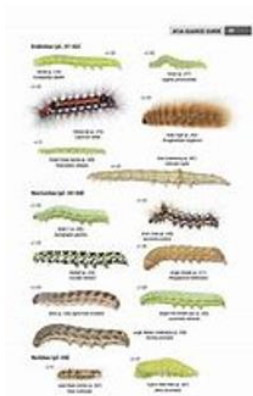


Welcome to the latest update from the Lancashire branch of Butterfly Conservation



Moth social virtual event - Lancashire Moth Group & Butterfly Conservation Lancashire Branch

Friday 26th March 2021, 7pm – 8.30pm via Zoom

Join us for this online talk by Dr Phil Sterling from Butterfly Conservation: 'A Window into the World of Caterpillars' - macro-moth life histories followed by micro-moth life histories.

Please register in advance for this meeting (100 person limit):
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpc--srjMsGtJwXd4l--fp9RHJTkWfgPTu>



Field trip programme 2021

Unfortunately, our 2021 field trip programme is currently on hold due to the coronavirus situation. We're hoping to host some virtual events instead and will keep the situation under review. If the situation changes and we're able to go ahead with the field trips we'll let you know through the members email updates, branch website (<https://butterfly-conservation.org/in-your-area/lancashire-branch>) and Twitter (https://twitter.com/BC_Lancs).



Enter our photography competition

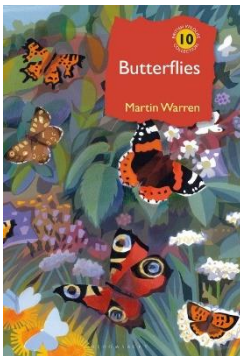
Are you a budding nature photographer? Have you or your children taken some lovely butterfly or moth snaps last year? Why not enter our competition and the overall winner's photograph will appear on the front cover of our Autumn 2021 newsletter and receive a £25 NHBS voucher, with 2nd place being printed on the back cover. There will be 3 categories: 1) UK butterfly, 2) UK moth and 3) early stage (egg, larva or pupa) of UK butterfly or moth. Judging will be by the branch committee and the winners announced at our 2021 Members' Day and AGM. Entries to be emailed to photocomp@lancashire-butterflies.org.uk with 'Photography Competition 2021' as the subject title and include the titled photos, where they were taken and your name (and age if under 18). Closing date for entries is 31st May 2021. Please see the branch website for terms and conditions: <https://butterfly-conservation.org/news-and-blog/photo-competition-lancashire-branch>



Job vacancy – Engagement Officer: Green Recovery for Morecambe Bay's Woodlands Project

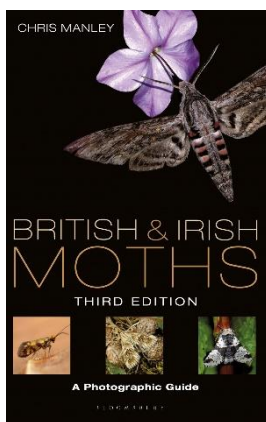
Butterfly Conservation are seeking an experienced and highly determined Engagement Officer to deliver the Green Recovery for Morecambe Bay's Woodlands project that we reported on in our last members update: <https://dmtrk.net/DGT-767MX-E37D2BA465E611BFHGRROJ93EDCAF2B67A5226/cr.aspx>

The Officer will encourage a wide range of audiences to learn about, enjoy and conserve moths and butterflies. They will also be required to work closely with other Green Recovery staff and contractors to deliver the many aims of the project, as well as increase volunteering activity within the area and foster, develop and strengthen links between Butterfly Conservation and other project organisations. The closing date for applications is Sunday 31st January 2021. For further details please visit Butterfly Conservation's website: <https://butterfly-conservation.org/jobs>



New book available to pre-order: Butterflies by Martin Warren

This new addition to the British Wildlife Collection is a unique take on butterfly behaviour and ecology, written by the former Chief Executive of Butterfly Conservation. It explores the secret lives of our British species (also drawing on comparative examples from continental Europe), revealing how they have become adapted to survive in such a highly competitive natural world. NHBS currently have a pre-publication offer of £29.99 (RRP £34.99), they are also arranging for a limited number of bespoke bookplates signed by the author - order early for a chance to reserve yours: <https://www.nhbs.com/butterflies-book>



New book available to pre-order: British Moths - A Photographic Guide to the Moths of Britain and Ireland

British Moths is the most comprehensive collection of photographs of British moths ever published. It covers both macro and micro species, and the images are all of living insects, taken in natural conditions. Concise text descriptions cover wingspan, status and distribution, flight period, habitat and larval foodplants, while thumbnail maps provide a quick overview of geographical distributions. All 2500+ moth species on the main British list are now illustrated as adults, including three new to Britain last year, many with early stages such as leaf mines and larval cases, plus some 80 species on an Adventive's appendix. Publication 10th June 2021. NHBS currently have a pre-publication offer of £32.99 (RRP £39.99): <https://www.nhbs.com/british-moths-book>



Report your sightings

Send us your latest sightings and add to our records.

Reminder to submit your butterfly and moth records

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their butterfly and moth records for 2020. If you have any outstanding records, even just the odd sighting, then please do submit them, they all make a difference.

You can email butterfly records to Laura Sivell, email: butterfly-recorder@lancashire-butterflies.org.uk

For guidelines on moth recording and the preferred methods of submitting your sightings, please visit the Lancashire Moths website:

<https://www.lancashiremoths.co.uk/home>